

**HONORARY DOCTORATE DEGREE AWARD**

**APPLICATION PACKET**

**BETHEL CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY**

(A Graduate College of Theology and Ministry)



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Fill out this FORM ONLINE, SIGN and SUBMIT or PRINT, SCAN, and E-mail it to the University.

## HONORARY DEGREE PROGRAMS

Bethel Christian University offers honorary degree to people who have distinguished themselves in their ministries and communities. The honorary degree is not earned but deserved. This degree is for those that does not need to prepare for ministry with an earned degree but has already made an impact in the ministry and Christian Communities. It is given to well recognize eminent personalities who have contributed to the building of Christian Churches, Ministries, Communities, the Nation, and the cause of Christ in World Evangelism.

If you are a Pastor, Evangelist, Prophet, Missionary, Apostle, Teacher of the Word or a Leader of an active Christian Ministry, Bethel Christian University may be able to grant you an Honorary Doctorate Degree based on 1 Timothy 5:17, if you meet the following requirements.

1. Must be a Born-Again Christian.
2. Must be at least 40 years of age.
3. Verify that you have at least 10 years of full-time or part-time active ministerial experience.
4. Produce evidence that you are a licensed and ordained minister of the Gospel.
5. Prepare a TYPED one-to-two-page summary of your Christian Work and Ministry.
6. Secure the endorsements of two people:
  1. Your Senior Pastor and,
  2. A licensed or an ordained Ministers' Friend.
7. Make a \$1,000.00 donation to the furtherance of Bethel Christian University's visions.

### AREAS OF AWARD

- Group 1.**
- (a) Doctor of Divinity (D.D)
  - (b) Doctor of Evangelism (E.D)
  - (c) Doctor of Christian Mission (CM.D)
  - (d) Doctor of Sacred Music (SM.D)
  - (e) Doctor of Church Growth (CG.D)
- These Degrees are award to an individual as a Religious or Sacred degree, a person inspired by the Spirit of God with hope, vision on leadership.

- Group 2.**
- (a) Doctor of Letters (D. Lit.)
  - (b) Doctor of Humanity (H.D)
  - (c) Doctor of Church Administration (CA.D)
  - (d) Doctor of Sacred Literature (SL.D.)
  - (e) Doctor of Church Growth (CG.D)
- These Degrees are awarded primarily to an individual who has made contributions to Christian Communities.

## **GRADUATION DONATION**

1. Application fee \$100.00
2. Graduation Expenses (Donation) to cover: \$1,000.00
  - a. Registration
  - b. Documentation and Processing
  - c. Certificate Holder
  - d. Other miscellaneous Expenses
3. All trips made to your School, Church/Ministry by our staff to train, assist, advice at graduation for the purpose of public presentation of Degree, or other special events will be done as time provides, and travelling expenses, food and lodging expense etc. must be covered and paid for by the host minister or Honoree.

### ***Applicant must submit to the office of Bethel Christian University, the following:***

- (I) A completed enclosed application form for an Honorary Doctorate Degree.
- (II) Detailed life biography (Ministry Resume)
- (III) Copies of all educational certificates, diplomas, degrees, and any special recognition certificates.
- (IV) Copies of current license/ordination certificates; if any
- (V) 2 passport photographs  
Two enclosed recommendation forms completed by an established. Pastor, Missionary, or a Christian Leader, VERIFYING THESE CLAIMS.
- (VI) Should ask his or her Pastor and Friend to do a letter, explaining what makes him think that you are the most qualified person.

### ***Upon receipt and review of the above information, Bethel Christian University staff:***

1. Reserve the right to require the candidate to supply **additional information** to the University.
2. On satisfaction, an approval letter will be sent to the Applicant.
3. All payments must be made by check in the name of **Bethel Christian University**, in advance before the ceremony. Payments can also be made through the University's website PayPal account or a direct bank transfer.
4. Due to the significance of this honorable event, the date and location of the public presentation must be pre-approved by the Board of Directors. We highly suggest that the presentation be made during the University's.

graduation ceremony or to be agreed and approved by the Board of Directors to take place in a special location.

5. All costs and fees must be paid in advance of the presentation date.

6. If you would like to buy a gown, hood, or cap, please, Contact the office of the Registrar for information. Special tailored and designed gowns, hoods; caps are available for added fees.

**N.B.** *Donations are subject to change without notice.*

### **SAMPLE OF CHRISTIAN MINISTRY RESUME**

**NB: Please write a comprehensive detailed Christian Resume (in Essay format) of not less than 1,500 words (three pages) covering the following areas:**

#### **PERSONAL INFORMATION**

John Bull Akins  
5010 SW 20TH Terrace,  
TOPEKA, KS. 66604.

#### **EDUCATION**

1978 - 1981 BA, Theology from Faith Bible College. Texas.  
1982 - 1986 completed correspondence courses from Kingsway College. Iowa.  
(If Transcripts are not available – list courses completed, with seminars  
And workshops that apply to the Ministry)

#### **CREDENTIALS/CERTIFICATES**

1975 - 1978 Licensed by Grace Bible Church, Kansas. (Church recognition)  
1978 - 1990 Licensed by Kingsway Fellowship Int'l. Iowa, (Int'l. recognition)

#### **TEACHING MINISTRY**

1973 - 1975 Sunday School Teacher, Adult class, Faith Bible Church, Kansas  
(1 hour weekly).  
1975 - 1978 Teaches Major Prophets, Grace Bible Institute, Kansas (1 hour 18 weeks= 1 semester)  
1977 - 1978 Sunday school Superintendent, Grace Bible Church, Kansas, (2 hours a week)

### **CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES**

1976 - 1978 Evangelism Director  
1976 - 1980 Director of Missions  
1983 - 1986 President of Men's or Women's ministry

### **ADMINISTRATION MINISTRY**

1973 - 1975 Part t-times Church Administrator, Faith Bible Church, Kansas.  
(16 hours a week)  
1975 - 1978 Church Secretary, Grace Bible Church, Kansas. (2 hours a week)

### **PREACHING MINISTRY**

1973 - 1975 Fill in for Pastor when away, Grace Bible Church, Kansas.  
1975 - 1978 Wednesday night Services, Grace Bible Church, Kansas.

### **PASTORAL MINISTRY**

1974 - 1975 Home Bible Study with couples in the neighborhood (1 hour weekly)  
1975 - 1976 Prison Ministry, County Jail, Kansas (2 hours weekly)  
1975 - 1978 Church Elder, Grace Bible Church. Kansas. (Weekly services)  
1976 - 1978 Hospital Ministry, Grace Bible Church, Kansas. (4 hours weekly)  
1978 - 1982 Pastor of Fellowship of Christ Church, Iowa.  
1982 - Date Senior Pastor Hope Christian Center, New York.

### **SEMINARS/CONFERENCES**

1978 - Church growth seminar – 20 hours  
1982 - Pastor's leadership conference – 40 hours

### **SERVED ON BOARD**

1975 - 1978 Hope Ministers Fellowship. (2 hours per month for four years)

**NB: Please attach documents to prove your claims.**

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