ELDER/DEACON CANDIDATE NOMINATING RECOMMENDATION FORM

EAST BAY CALVARY CHURCH

The purpose of this form is to guide in the recommendation of a candidate for service as an Elder and/or Deacon at East Bay Calvary Church. It first provides the Biblical guidance based on specific passages related to elders/deacons. These Biblical criteria are the foundation for qualifying a person to serve, though we recognize that all are sinners saved by grace.

In other words, these Biblical criteria should be generally true of the individual. As there are many people in our church which meet these Biblical criteria, the form attempts to give additional guidance on differentiating between candidates by their giftedness and background with consideration to the work these two positions perform.

May God guide you in using this information to prayerfully consider whether a person should be recommended to the Nominating Team for service as an Elder or Deacon at East Bay Calvary Church. Below is my nomination for the office of *Elder* or *Deacon*. *Please circle only one office*. *DEADLINE IS AUGUST 13, 2023*

Print, fill out, and return this form to the office; or fill out online and send to jjuilleret@eastbaycalvary.org

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Sponsor (Your name) Name	Date			
Candidate Name	Candidate Occupation			
Candidate Spouse Name	Candidate # of Children			
Candidate Address	Member of EBCC Since What Year			
Describe the candidate's recent ministry experience:				
(1) Good reputation (Acts 6:3), Dignified (1 Tim 3:8) Does the person have a good reputation among believers and unbelievers because they have a life-style of unquestioned integrity? Are they respected by others because of their lifestyle as they follow Jesus Christ?	☐ Yes Comments:	□ No	□ Don't Know	
(2) Full of the Spirit (Acts 6:3) Is there evidence that they live their life under the direction of the Holy Spirit? Is prayer an essential part of their life?	☐ Yes Comments:	□ No	□ Don't Know	
(3) Full of wisdom (Acts 6:3) Does the person demonstrate wisdom and discernment in the decisions they make?	☐ Yes Comments:	□ No	□ Don't Know	
(4) Not double-tongued / Sincere (1 Tim 3:8) Does the person's actions match their speech? Do they avoid hypocracy? Is their integrity intact?	☐ Yes Comments:	□ No	□ Don't Know	

(5) Not addicted to much wine (1 Tim 3:8) Is the person free from any form of substance abuse (alcohol, drugs, etc.) or any kind of addiction which might take control of his life, cause belligerent and irresponsible behavior, and cause weaker Christians to stumble (Rom. 14:13-21)?	☐ Yes Comments:	□ No	□ Don't Know
(6) Not greedy for dishonest gain (1 Tim 3:8). Does the person have their priorities straight? Are they seeking their significance, security, and primary satisfaction from God rather than material wealth? Do they avoid dishonest business practices? Is the most important factor driving their satisfaction in their occupation something other than the amount of salary they receive? Are they honest in all their dealings?	☐ Yes Comments:	□ No	□ Don't Know
(7) Holds to the mystery of the faith with clear conscience (1 Tim 3:9) Is the person faithful in their devotion to Christ? Is their theology sound and in line with our statement of faith? Do they avoid justifying sin? Do they confess sin as soon as possible?	☐ Yes Comments:	□ No	□ Don't Know
(8) Tested and found blameless (1 Tim 3:10) Has the person demonstrated consistency in their walk with Christ even in difficult times? Do they demonstrate success in avoiding and rejecting temptation?	☐ Yes Comments:	□ No	□ Don't Know
(9) Not slanderers (1 Tim 3:11) Does the person demonstrate a reluctance to speak negatively of other people? Are they successful in avoiding gossip?	☐ Yes Comments:	□ No	□ Don't Know
(10) Sober-minded (1 Tim. 3:11) Does the person seek to understand new ideas in the context of a Biblical worldview? Do they try to understand all sides of a debate and not rush to judgement?	☐ Yes Comments:	□ No	□ Don't Know
(11) Faithful in all things (1 Tim 3:11) Is the person completely trustworthy? Are they a person of their word, fulfilling all commitments?	☐ Yes Comments:	□ No	□ Don't Know
(12) Husband of one wife (1 Tim 3:12). Is the person so totally devoted and faithful to their own spouse so that they are not distracted by other people of the opposte sex?	☐ Yes Comments:	□ No	□ Don't Know
(13) Manages children and household well (1 Tim 3:12). Does the person demonstrate love, leadership, and godliness in their home? Are their children believers, under control, respectful of authority, and responding positively to God?	☐ Yes Comments:	□ No	□ Don't Know

Additional Guidance for Elder/Deacon Nominating Candidate selection given the nominee meets the Biblical requirements above

1.	Consider the tasks that Elders/Deacons performs. Does the candidate have the gifts and time to perform them?	☐ Yes Comments:	□ No	□ Don't Know	
2.	Work on the Elder/Deacon Board requires working as a member of a team. Has the candidate had experience related to team membership?	☐ Yes Comments:	□ No	□ Don't Know	
3.	Have they served as Elders/Deacons previously? What are their views on that time of service?	☐ Yes Comments:	□ No	□ Don't Know	
4.	If the nominee is a recent member of EBCC, what was their church background before coming to East Bay Calvary? Are there any concerns with his reasons for leaving their previous church?	Comments:			
5.	Is the nominee fully supportive of EBCC's statement of faith?	☐ Yes Comments:	□ No	□ Don't Know	
6.	In areas that the nominee served at EBCC, did they have contact with any Pastor or Elder that could provide input into their candidacy?	☐ Yes Comments:	□ No	□ Don't Know	
7.	Does the nominee's spouse have a good reputation within the church?	☐ Yes Comments:	□ No	□ Don't Know	
 8. In what capacity have you personally interacted with the nominee? Specify how often and over how many years (i.e. weekly over the last 2 years) Served on a team together? 					
	 Personal friendship and interaction outside of Sunday morning? 				
	Work other than ministry?				
	Other Interaction?				
9.	Have you heard the nominee's personal testimony?	□ Yes □	No		

Use this page for any additional information you would like to provide about the candidate.