

AoGI Candidate Development and Requirements

Our candidates must demonstrate the qualifications for elder and deacons as laid out in 1 Timothy 3 and Titus 1. Below are the highlights of our development process which takes place through the local church. Typically this will take a candidate 2-3 years to complete.

Serving in the Local Church

- Membership and consistent active ministry in the local church for 2 years
- Demonstrate tithing
- Fundamentals of Biblical Counseling Training
- Complete the NANC Biblical counseling exam
- Participate as a counselor
- Participate as small group leader

Completing our Joshua's Men or Women of the Word Program, a 2 year program consisting of reading and meeting monthly as a group to discuss

- 1st year - Systematic Theology by Wayne Grudem
- 2nd year - One book a month (on various spiritual development and leadership topics)

Reading the following books and writing papers discussing their impact on the candidate and their future ministry

- Let the Nations Be Glad by John Piper
- Instruments in the Redeemer's Hands by Paul Tripp
- Desiring God by John Piper
- Am I Called by Dave Harvey
- Missiology by Dave Harvey

Participate on at least 2 **short term cross cultural trips**

Participate on a **Barnabas Team**

Language Acquisition Training via Mission Prep (www.missionprep.ca) or MTI (www.MTI.org)

Support Raising Training