

Alaska Covenant Women's Council Application

Dear sister,

I rejoice in your interest in serving on the Covenant Women's Council. The following information summarizes the purpose, structure and responsibilities of this newly established council.

Since its inception in 1916, Women Ministries in the Evangelical Covenant Church has remained committed to advancing God's kingdom through ministries that equip women to grow, serve, and reach out with the gospel of Jesus Christ. Women Ministries accomplishes this by connecting women in transformational relationships and uniting them in Christ to impact our world.

In Alaska, Covenant Women have met annually at the spring ECCAK conference to elect officers, vote on project designations and approve purchases for needs primarily related to church parsonage needs. At the 2012 annual meeting the delegation approved the creation of a Covenant Women's Council to expand the vision and impact of women's ministries across the state. Please review the following information. If you are interested in serving, please complete the application and submit a recommendation form to your pastor or another church leader if your church does not currently have a pastor. All forms can be sent to me via mail to ECCAK, ATTN: Kristi Ivanoff; P.O. Box 770749, Eagle River, AK 99577. To submit by email, please call the ECCAK office at (907) 694-6348 to receive email address. Or FAX to Kristi Ivanoff at (907) 694-6378.

COUNCIL STRUCTURE:

- The board will consist of 4-8 members, represented by both road system and rural churches
- Terms will be two years in length, beginning at the Annual meeting and concluding the last day of the annual meeting two years later.
- Nominations will be collected prior to the annual meeting and an election/confirmation will be held at the annual meeting (election will take place if there are more candidates than seats available).
- Members can serve two terms consecutively. Seat rotations will be staggered so that half of the seats would be renewed each year.
- ECCAK advisor/liaison—Field Director designee. ECCAK liaison can serve more than two terms if it is agreeable to the board members, approved by field director and will be reviewed every two years.
- 2-4 road system representatives (try to have one Anchorage bowl and one Fairbanks and/or Kenai)
- 2-4 Rural representatives: ideally 2 YK Delta/2 Norton Sound representatives

COUNCIL MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Council would meet three-four times a year by conference call/video conferencing
- Council members would be encouraged to attend a regional women's gathering as possible. Financial assistance could be available from CW funds for this purpose
- Council members would serve two-year terms.

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Application Deadline: March 15

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone number(s) _____

Covenant Church currently attending _____

How long have you attended? _____

Please briefly describe how and when you came to faith in Jesus Christ.

The following guidelines have been established for anyone serving on the council.

- The woman must be a professing Christian
- She is a committed and active worshipper in a Covenant Church
- She is supportive of the ministry of her local church, ECCAK, and the Evangelical Covenant Church of America
- She is not involved in a sexual relationship outside of marriage
- She is not currently abusing drugs or alcohol
- She purposes to attend conference meetings to the best of her ability

Please initial to indicate your agreement:

_____ I affirm that these have been true of my life for the past year, currently, and I intend to continue in these in the future with God's help. (Please feel free to explain circumstances or conditions that are unique to your situation)

Signature

Date