



AMERICAN BAPTIST CHURCHES OF THE SOUTH

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QUALIFICATIONS, DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF CLUSTER ASSOCIATES, AREA/CLUSTER REPRESENTATIVES AND COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

QUALIFICATIONS

Persons who are elected or appointed to lead various committees, etc. shall possess the following qualifications:

1. Must profess a belief in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and be a member (disciple) in good standing in an ABCOTS Area Church.
2. Must be able to communicate effectively both orally and in writing.
3. Must be able to build and enhance relationships between and among individuals and groups of individuals.
4. Must have a history of faithfulness and dedication to the work of the Church.
5. Must have the ability to relate well with persons without regard to gender, age, race, color, or disability.
6. Must have the ability to work well with a team of other volunteers.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Cluster Associates

The Cluster Associate is to:

1. serve as liaison with cluster pastors, laypersons, and churches in interpreting and promoting the work of the ABC/USA, ABCOTS, and the Area;
2. recruit and help train retirees and volunteers
3. work cooperatively with other within as well as outside the cluster in connection with the planning and implementation of Area and cluster programs.
4. support and attend meetings within the Area cluster to enhance fellowship, communication and coordination.
5. acquire appropriate training and necessary expertise.
6. respond appropriately to expressed needs of cluster pastors and other church leaders.
7. take initiative to keep informed of events affecting ABCOTS and to share such information in a timely manner with pastors and congregations.

Mission Chairperson

The Mission Chairperson for the Area is a vital link between the Area Program Board and regional staff. The Mission Chairperson serves primarily as a facilitator and resource person for the Area in two key ways: (1) ABC/USA and ABCOTS Mission Interpretation and (2) Mission Promotion.