



REGULAR BAPTIST

# Builders Club

Regular Baptist Builders Club  
A ministry of the GARBC  
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## Application for Start Up Funds

The Regular Baptist Builders Club Start Up Fund grants churches, mission agencies, and state organizations up to \$60,000 in funds and services for church-planting efforts. These funds and services are to be used in the prenatal, birth (launch), and growth phases of church planting. Visit [www.BaptistBuildersClub.org](http://www.BaptistBuildersClub.org) to ensure you meet the qualifications.

Are you an existing GARBC church that is planting a church?  Yes  No

If YES, existing/sending church must complete the application.

If NO, church planter must complete the application.

### Church planter personal information

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_

Summary of ministry background and roles \_\_\_\_\_

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Training you have received that prepares you for church planting \_\_\_\_\_

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**Church planter intentions**

For what specific start-up needs do you require this grant or loan? \_\_\_\_\_

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Do you understand that this assistance is not for the church planter's financial support?  Yes  No

Do you intend to help other GARBC church plants through Regular Baptist Builders Club when your church is able?  Yes  No

**Church planting strategy**

Attach your strategy for the first 36 months.

Who created this strategy and when? \_\_\_\_\_

When will you launch the church plant? \_\_\_\_\_

What are you doing during prelaunch to prepare? \_\_\_\_\_

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Attach your 12-month prelaunch budget.

Attach your projected budget for the first 36 months.

What percentage of resources do you plan to spend on outreach? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you plan on gathering Christians or reaching people and discipling new believers for the majority of your church's growth? \_\_\_\_\_

What two books have you read in the last 12 months specifically related to church planting? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Church planter affiliations**

What agency are you associated with? \_\_\_\_\_

If you are not associated with an agency, who are you accountable to?

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Are you affiliated with a local or state Regular Baptist fellowship or Regular Baptist church?  Yes  No

List the percentage of support from different sources:

Your job(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Churches \_\_\_\_\_

Sending church \_\_\_\_\_

Church plant \_\_\_\_\_

Individuals \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Have you previously planted a church?  Yes  No

If yes, under what oversight relationship (agency, sending church, etc.)?

\_\_\_\_\_

What is the present status of this church plant?

Year 1—Preplanning, preservice (Bible study/canvassing/outreach)

Year 2—Services initiated, formal organization (graduated/recognized)

Year 3—Building phase

### **Home or sending church of church planter**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Pastor's name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Percentage of your support \_\_\_\_\_

Level of involvement in this church plant \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Distance from church plant \_\_\_\_\_

### **Proposed name and location of this church plant**

What do you plan to name this church plant? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Where will this church plant be located? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the reason for choosing this area? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Population \_\_\_\_\_ Percentage of unchurched population \_\_\_\_\_

Name the area's ethnic groups from largest to smallest \_\_\_\_\_

What is the average income in this target area? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the cost of land in this area (per sq. ft. or acre)? \_\_\_\_\_

How many Baptist churches are in this area? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the closest fundamental Baptist church? \_\_\_\_\_

Affiliation of this church \_\_\_\_\_

Polity of this church \_\_\_\_\_

Distance from your target area \_\_\_\_\_

Size of this church \_\_\_\_\_

What distinguishes your church plant from this church? \_\_\_\_\_

## Team

### *Helpers*

Will others be helping you?  Yes  No How many? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the helpers' level of commitment? \_\_\_\_\_

### *Pastors*

Will there be a pastoral team?  Yes  No Who? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you presently meeting with the pastoral team?  Yes  No

If so, how long have you been meeting? \_\_\_\_\_

## Area church support

What local churches in the target area are supportive of this church plant?

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Who initially envisioned this new church? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

What level of commitment is among the area churches? \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_

**Your fellowship experience**

What was your last church's affiliations? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you regularly attended local Regular Baptist pastors' fellowships?

Yes  No

Why or why not? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever attended a GARBC annual conference?  Yes  No

If so, when? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you attended a Regular Baptist state fellowship conference?  Yes  No

If so, what states and when? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

If you have not fellowshipped with Regular Baptists, who have you found to fellowship with? \_\_\_\_\_  
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**List any other assistance you think you will need.**

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## Years 1–3 checklist

Review the checklist below and check the boxes to indicate what assistance you are requesting. If multiyear support is approved, there will be an annual evaluation to determine if financial assistance is still needed.

### Year 1

- \$10,000  grant /  loan (*check one*) check all that apply to your request:
  - Postcard/blitz advertising (includes design, editorial, and mailing assistance)
  - Rent assistance (year 1 only). How much is monthly rent? \_\_\_\_\_  
How long do you plan to be there? \_\_\_\_\_
- Website design
  - We currently have a website.  
What is the web address? \_\_\_\_\_
  - We do not have a website.
- Brochure design and printing costs
- Boot camp training for “Things to Come” in cooperation with agencies to ensure the planter is prepared
- Baptist Bulletin* spotlight on church plant
- Chaplain work in the community in conjunction with Regular Baptist Chaplaincy Ministries

TOTAL Year 1 grant/loan request \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Year 2

- \$10,000  grant /  loan (*check one*) check (presented at GARBC Conference)
- Website design (if not used in year 1)
- Sunday brochure design and up-front printing costs
- Training teachers and leaders (RBP training seminars)
- 1 year of RBP material
- 1 year of *Baptist Bulletin* subscriptions
- Baptist Bulletin* spotlight (update) on church plant
- Strategic planning and financial planning assistance
- Entire church registrations paid for GARBC Conference (first year of church’s existence)
- \$1,000 for entire church to use for travel to GARBC Conference  
(Do not include in the total assistance being requested.)

TOTAL Year 2 grant/loan request \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Year 3**

- \$10,000  grant /  loan (check one) check for land/building costs (presented at GARBC Conference)
- Builders and people to help
- Baptist Bulletin* spotlight (update) on church plant
- Follow-up strategic planning and financial planning assistance
- Organizing existing churches to help with equipment (chairs, pulpits, etc.) by utilizing Regular Baptist Builders Club website and GARBC mailing lists to recruit assistance

TOTAL Year 3 grant/loan request \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL grant/request for all three years combined \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## References

**Fully complete** all information requested below. Include two neighboring GARBC pastors and at least three others that were/are church officers or associates, including one **business acquaintance**, with whom the current pastor has had financial dealings. If there is a GARBC state representative, please include him as well.

## Neighboring GARBC pastors

1. Pastor's name \_\_\_\_\_  
Church name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone number \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

2. Pastor's name \_\_\_\_\_  
Church name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone number \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

## Regular Baptist state representative

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone number \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail \_\_\_\_\_



## Others

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone number \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
How does the pastor or church planter know this person? \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
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