

Steps to become an Associate Member via COS (¶ 322)

1. *Minimum forty years of age with four years' service as a full-time local pastor or equivalent.*
2. *Complete Course of Study and minimum 60 hours toward a B. A. or equivalent.*
3. *Recommended by a $\frac{3}{4}$ majority vote of the dCOM and BOM.*
4. *Accept full-time continuing appointment.*
5. *Satisfy BOM physical health requirements, psychological reports, and criminal background and credit checks.*
6. *Complete written doctrinal examination (¶ 324.9) and prepare written sermon on suggested Bible passage.*
7. *Receive approval for associate membership by a $\frac{3}{4}$ majority vote of the clergy session.*