

**Application of Rev. G. Daniel Jones**

*Your name: Rev. G. Daniel Jones*

**Section 3. Questions for you to complete.** (If you need more space, you may attach additional pages.)

**A. Please review the following requirements from the Home Rule Charter for serving on the Commission on Parks and Recreation. How do you meet those qualifications?**

“Qualifications. The members shall have demonstrated experience or skills relevant to the powers and duties of the Commission including, but not limited to: sports, recreation and athletic programming; natural lands management, watershed management, and environmental protection; tourism, marketing and public relations; business and finance; neighborhood revitalization; community leadership; historical and architectural preservation; landscaping and horticulture; and fundraising. The Commission shall also be reflective of the geographic, racial, ethnic, and gender diversity within the City.”

**See Section 3 Letter C and Section 4**

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**B. In these difficult economic times, what do you think the Commission on Parks and Recreation should do to support, promote, and invest in the City's park and recreation system? As a member of the Commission, what would you do to assist the Commission in achieving these goals?**

- To publicly and privately encourage responsible use, and maintenance of facilities.
- To discover creative means of raising revenue for the use and maintenance of the same.
- To publicize the supporters i.e., grants, gifts, taxed use of facilities
- To lobby for a larger budget to support the same.
- To encourage greater participation in events i.e., cultural entertainment and educational events under the sponsorship of the Commission of Parks and Recreation.

**C. Please review the role and responsibilities of the Commission, which are set forth in Part I of this application. Then, please attach a statement of no more than 500 words explaining why you want to serve on the Commission Parks and Recreation and why you believe you should be nominated to do so.**

I am a good PR person, representing many networks. As an ambassador of good will and as a professional, I represent many citizens in the Delaware Valley. Projecting a more positive image is needed.

**Section 4. Resume:** Please attach to this application an up-to-date resume. Include your name, but do not include any personal contact information (street address, phone number, e-mail address) that you do not wish to be publicly available. On the resume, please provide the following information:

- Your employment history – employers, job titles and responsibilities, and dates of employment. If you have been self-employed, include that information.
- Your education or training – schools attended, degrees attained, and dates.
- Your community and professional organizations, affiliations, and activities.
- Optional: Any additional information that you consider relevant to this application.

## The Reverend Dr. G. Daniel Jones

Dr. G. Daniel Jones has been Senior Pastor of the **GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH OF GERMANTOWN, Philadelphia, PA**, for the past 30 years. His previous pastorates were in both the Commonwealth of Virginia, Zion Baptist, Portsmouth and two churches in Massachusetts, totaling a pastoral career of 47 years. He is a graduate from Virginia Union University, B.S. in Mathematics, Andover Newton Theological School, with a Master of Divinity (M.Div.), and at Howard University School of Religion, Doctor of Ministry (D.Min.). Both Virginia Union and Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia conferred on him the Honorary Doctor of Divinity Degree (D.D.) "honoris causa".

Dr. Jones is a past Moderator of the Philadelphia Baptist Association which is the oldest Baptist Association in the United States. He is also Past President of the 6,100 member Ministers Council of the American Baptist Churches U.S.A. and is the founder and the 1<sup>st</sup> President of two local Councils, namely ABC of the South, and ABC of Philadelphia, known as Philadelphia Baptist Association (P.B.A.). For the Biennial 2005-2007, he was Chaplain of the General Board, American Baptist Churches U.S.A. Currently, he chairs the **National Black Caucus of the American Baptist Churches USA**. For the past 20 years he has served as **Grand Chaplain** of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge Free and Accepted Masons of Pa.

Rev. Jones is newly installed President of The Baptist Pastors' and Ministers' Conference of Philadelphia and Vicinity and formerly served as Vice Chairman of Philadelphia's Baptist sponsored City-Wide Revival, a position he held for almost 23 years. He is also active with the Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Mission Convention, one of nine pastors on the Executive Board of Directors and is also a member of the Pennsylvania Baptist State Convention, Board of Directors. He is an adjunct professor at Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia and also the Center for Urban Theological Studies, a division of Geneva College.

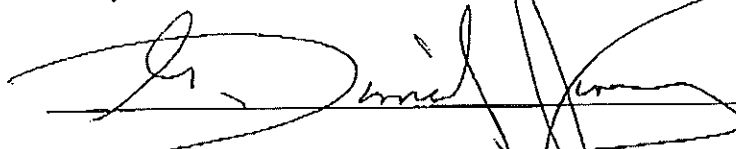
Rev. Jones is a member of the Mu Omega Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. He is also Vice President of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Christian Council of Philadelphia.

Pastor Jones is married to the former Miss Geraldine E. Saunders, M.S.W., a Clinical Social Worker, Elkins Park, Moss Rehab.

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**Section 5. Optional supporting materials.** You are invited to submit up to three letters of recommendation. You may submit them along with your application or separately. If you have not submitted them by the time that Council holds its public hearing for applicants, please bring the letters with you and submit them when your name is called.

**Section 6. Signature.** Please sign on the line immediately below. If you are submitting your application by e-mail directly from your computer, type your name instead.

  
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**Section 7. Date.** Indicate the date that you are submitting this application:

\_\_\_\_\_ May 7, 2012 \_\_\_\_\_

If you are selected to serve on the Commission on Parks and Recreation, you will be required to file the City's annual financial disclosure form. You will also be subject to ethics laws applicable to City boards and commissions (and to the jurisdiction of the Philadelphia Board of Ethics). In addition, the Mayor's Executive Order No. 3-10 requires that appointees to City boards and commissions be in compliance with tax laws and all City fines and fees; in that connection, you will be required to complete a "Tax Clearance Application," which will authorize the City's Department of Revenue to confirm that you are in compliance (or have entered into a voluntary payment agreement).

If you have questions about the application process, please contact  
Theresa Brunson at 215-686-3424 or  
Hal Fichandler at 215-686-7667.

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