

# Deacon Nomination for 2012

(Please fill out one form for each nominee)

Please submit your recommendations on this form by Sunday, February 5. Be sure to read the qualifications on the reverse side before submitting your recommendations. A deacon nominee must have been a member of Sarasota Baptist Church at least one year and is currently involved in a Community Group of our church.

Elected Deacon's serve for three years and then must rotate off for at least a year. This nomination will first be reviewed by the Deacons and Pastoral staff. Those meeting the basic qualifications of church membership and ministry experience will be sent an extensive questionnaire. After receiving the completed questionnaire from the nominee, the candidate will be interviewed by two of our Deacons. Those who meet the qualifications and are willing to serve will meet with the Deacon Body and Pastoral Staff. Upon their recommendation a final list will be presented to the congregation for approval.

Our current deacons are: Robert Cunningham, Mark Deutschle, Jeff Jackson, Richard "Butch" Kagy, Dennis Kedzierski, Stan Kinnett, Jay Murphy and Jack Whittington.

**(Please Print)**

Name of Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

Email address of Nominee \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known this individual? \_\_\_\_\_

Which campus does he attend? \_\_\_\_\_ Proctor Road \_\_\_\_\_ Lakewood Ranch

Why do you believe this person should serve as a Deacon of Sarasota Baptist Church?

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Your name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Church members only)

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ email address \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return to the church office or  
email to [shayes@sarasotabaptist.com](mailto:shayes@sarasotabaptist.com)  
by February 5, 2012**

## **SUMMARY OF BIBLICAL QUALIFICATIONS OF A DEACON**

1. A deacon is a person of genuine faith and growing in their Christian experience. (Acts 6:3)
2. A deacon possesses wisdom and sound judgment in the practical issues of life. (Acts 6:3)
3. A deacon's attitude toward the church and the Kingdom of God is marked by vision, filled with hope, faith, and good will. A deacon has proven himself to be faithful to given responsibilities and exhibits a positive attitude toward the church and its total mission. (Acts 6:5)
4. A deacon's reputation in the community is above reproach in integrity and ethical conduct.(1Tim. 3:8)
5. A deacon attempts to speak the simple truth in love at all times and under all circumstances. (1Tim. 3:8)
6. A deacon seeks to honor Christ in all personal habits and behavior. (1 Tim. 3:8, Col. 1:18)
7. A deacon is committed to (1) the conviction of God's ownership of all things, (2) developing a growing sense of stewardship in personal experiences, and (3) practicing the biblical principle of the tithe as the minimum standard of giving. (1Tim. 3:8)
8. A deacon is committed to the gospel of Jesus Christ as the ultimate answer to both the personal and social needs of our world. (1Tim. 3:9)
9. A deacon is one whose life has been tested and found dependable and trustworthy in the church and community. (1Tim. 3:10)
10. A deacon's home relationships are wholesome and he has not been divorced. (1Tim. 3:11-13)

*Key Words that sum up the qualifications of our deacons:*

***Spiritually Mature***

***Proven Servant Leaders***

***Submissive Followers of Jesus Christ***



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