

Wedding Officiant Guidelines

Pacific Crossroads Church

Congratulations on your upcoming wedding!

If you are planning on having a Pacific Crossroads pastor officiate your wedding, please carefully read the following guidelines.

1. Requirements

The requirements to be married by a Pacific Crossroads Church pastor are that the couple

- A. Attend the Pre-Marriage Seminar. More info [here](#).
- B. Receive pre-marital mentoring from a member of the mentor team. This is usually done after the Pre-Marriage Seminar.
- C. Be a member (one or both) of Pacific Crossroads Church. You can find out about the Membership Seminar [here](#).

Any exceptions should be discussed with the officiating pastor.

2. Contacting a Pastor

You should directly contact the pastor as early as possible to ensure availability for your wedding date. He will be able to confirm whether he will perform your wedding after he has had an initial meeting with you as a couple. You can expect him to ask you about when you became a Christian, what it means to be a Christian, and the place that your faith has in your life.

Please fill out and return the [Pre-Marriage Questionnaire](#) prior to your meeting with the pastor. This questionnaire should be sent to both your officiating pastor and your mentor couple.

3. Wedding Rehearsal and Reception

The pastor may or may not be able to attend the wedding rehearsal. You are encouraged to find your own wedding coordinator.

The pastor also may or may not be able to attend the reception. It is their hope that such an inability might not be taken as a personal offense.

4. The Wedding

Often a final meeting with the pastor is helpful to discuss the details of the wedding ceremony. All arrangements should be finalized, and the details should be emailed to the pastor. You are responsible for obtaining and processing the necessary marriage documents and licenses.

Depending on how much time the pastor spends and the size of your wedding budget, a suggested honorarium range is \$300 - \$600. If travel is involved, travel and accommodations expenses should also be covered.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you.