



URANTIA BROTHERHOOD  
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TO: Members at Large  
✓URANTIA Societies  
Field Representatives  
Selected Study Groups

After much discussion in the Executive Committee, we have re-drafted the application for membership-at-large in URANTIA Brotherhood, and I am sending it to you for your comments and suggestions before we put it into a final form.

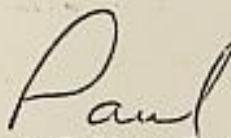
The revised application states more explicitly what the Executive Committee expects in approving applications for membership-at-large. We felt that these expectations should be more clearly understood by Urantians before they state their desire for membership.

There are diverse opinions about membership requirements. Some believe we should have no requirements at all. Others believe the requirements are too loose as presently stated. But the basis on which we have so far proceeded is that, at this stage in the growth of the URANTIA movement, quality of membership is the most important objective. Our fundamental mission of building a network of thousands of study groups can only be achieved if the basic nucleus of the Brotherhood is formed around earnest, sincere, emotionally mature people who will provide a secure quality foundation upon which future generations can progress.

By having requirements for membership in URANTIA Brotherhood, we are in no way proposing the exclusion of any individual from studying the URANTIA teachings with us, or from sharing our work, our fellowship, and our joy. The membership requirements help to establish a clearer level of commitment, and in this sense will tend to act as a barrier only to those whose commitment is not well defined.

I will appreciate and personally review all of your comments and suggestions, and all will enter into our deliberations before making the final draft.

Warmest regards.

  
Paul Snider, President  
URANTIA Brotherhood

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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP AT LARGE IN URANTIA BROTHERHOOD

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Religious Background \_\_\_\_\_

Special Skills or Talents \_\_\_\_\_

How did you become acquainted with The URANTIA Book? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ When? \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you wish to become a member of URANTIA Brotherhood? \_\_\_\_\_

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By whom recommended? \_\_\_\_\_

REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP

To be accepted as a Member at Large of URANTIA Brotherhood, you must . . .

- Have read the entire URANTIA Book and herewith affirm your belief in its teachings;
- Be willing to continue to study The URANTIA Book and attempt to live your life according to your highest comprehension of its teachings;
- Have read and be willing to abide by the Constitution and By-Laws of URANTIA Brotherhood;
- Pledge to protect the integrity of The URANTIA Book and the use of the URANTIA trademark and symbol, in cooperation with URANTIA Foundation;
- Offer financial support to the URANTIA organizations to the extent to which you are able;
- Be ever obedient and subservient to the laws of this country and of all countries wherein URANTIA Brotherhood may extend.

All applicants for membership must be recommended by a General Councilor or Field Representative of URANTIA Brotherhood. Where such individuals are not available, the Executive Committee is empowered to make a judgment regarding suitability for membership based upon methods of its own determination.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Applicants for membership must be confirmed by a 2/3 vote of the Executive Committee.