

# Boardman Baptist Deacon Qualifications

(1 Timothy 3: 8-12 & Acts 6: 3-4)

A Deacon (one who serves) is an officer of the church that shall minister to those in need, to the sick, to the friendless, and to any who may be in distress. The deacon must be morally pure, spiritually mature, doctrinally strong, and able to handle money responsibly. In addition, they must be a good example in their family life and their deportment in the community.

- Must be people who are respected and have integrity.  
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- They must not be heavy drinkers and must not be greedy for money.  
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- They must be committed to the revealed truths of the Christian faith and must live with a clear conscience.  
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- Before being appointed, they should be given other responsibilities in the church as a test of their character and ability. If they do well, then they may serve as Deacon.  
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- In the same manner, their spouse must be respected and must not speak evil of others.  
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- Their spouse must exercise self-control and be faithful in everything they do.  
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- A Deacon must be faithful to their spouse, and must manage their children and household well.  
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