

Digital Media Proposal

We are so pleased that you would like to contribute digital content to Ancient Faith Ministries. Please fill out the following form and send it to bmaddex@ancientfaith.com, along with all required attachments.

Name: _____

Project Title: _____

Subtitle (If Applicable): _____

Description: _____

Bio: _____

Audio or Video or Both: _____

Avg. Episode Length (e.g. fifteen minutes, thirty minutes, an hour): _____

Frequency (circle one): Daily Weekly Biweekly Monthly

Duration (circle one): Onetime Special Limited Series Ongoing

Please attach a letter of permission from your parish priest (if a layman) or bishop (if a priest), as well as a pilot episode of your proposed content.

What's Next?

Once a proposal has been approved, it will take about six weeks for the project to be readied for launch. Following is the step-by-step procedure for show development and promotion.

Week One and Two: The content contributor will record and submit two complete episodes with format input from the Director of Digital Media.

Week Three: The content contributor will meet with the Director of Digital Media to discuss music and other production elements.

Week Four: The Director of Digital Media will submit completed cover art and show details to the marketing department for promotion.

Week Five: The content contributor will submit his/her high-resolution head shot for use on the website and promotional materials.

Week Six: The Director of Digital Media will schedule the show debut with the AFM webmaster and/or the YouTube coordinator.

Please Note:

Ancient Faith Ministries incurs many expenses in the creation, production, and maintenance of your project. In exchange, we ask that you heed the following:

- 1: AFM reserves the right to reject any show episode that does not meet our audio standards or that violates the Content Provider Policy included in this document.
- 2: Any questionable theological assertions in an episode will be submitted to the AFM Chief Content Officer for review. Such content may be excised from the episode at our discretion. We also reserve the right to reject any episode submission.
- 3: We strongly encourage our content contributors to maintain a weekly or bi-weekly schedule for their episodes. New content frequency is the greatest predictor of show success and keeps our digital presence fresh and dynamic.
- 4: Content contributors must submit content on at least a monthly basis. Once a show is dormant for two consecutive months, it will be relegated to our archives.
5. While we will do our best to work with content contributors to develop acceptable cover art and opening and closing themes, AFM has the final say on all such matters.
- 6: AFM reserves the right to cancel a program at any time and for any reason.
7. While content belongs to the contributor and can be replicated elsewhere, the audio and video presentation of that content is the property of Ancient Faith Ministries. Use of this material outside the AFM platform requires our permission.

Content Providers Policy:

Thank you for your interest in contributing to the content of Ancient Faith Ministries through your book, podcast, or video. In beginning new relationships like this, we feel it is helpful both to you and to us to share a general understanding of who we are as a ministry and the type of content we are committed to.

At the center of everything we do is the good news of the Gospel centered on the person of Jesus Christ as the Savior and Healer of the world. We want our listeners, viewers, and readers to see Him first and foremost in all we present. Sometimes other issues, such as politics, church governance, ethnicity, quarrels, and divisions within Orthodoxy, can block the view to Christ, and we don't want to see that happen. Rather, we want to be a positive, uplifting, and encouraging resource where people can find hope, peace, and love as exhibited by Christ Himself. We like to point to the four E's—Evangelism, Edification, Education, and Engagement—as the onramps to the experience of and relationship with Christ.

At Ancient Faith Ministries, we present our content with the understanding that viewpoints vary on how to apply Orthodox theology to today's world. We also understand that people may eventually hear or read something on our platform with which they disagree. While we strive to present only material that is in line with the teachings of the Orthodox Church, we do not necessarily endorse all of the content available on our platform. So there certainly are some liberties our presenters can enjoy.

However, in agreeing to become a content provider for Ancient Faith, you are committing yourself to staying within the boundaries of clear Orthodox teaching as expressed in the Nicene-Constantinopolitan Creed as well as in the public declarations of the Assembly of Bishops of the Orthodox Church. The latter has helped to interpret Orthodox theology on such contemporary issues as gender, marriage, the sanctity of life, etc. This commitment applies not only to the content you provide for us but to anything you post on your personal platforms, whether other websites or social media.

We are pledging to each other that we will remain faithful to the clear teachings of the Orthodox Church as partners in ministry. We realize there are fringe elements in Orthodoxy on the left and the right, but we cannot be identified with any of them. We wish to remain centrist in our media content, avoiding unnecessary controversies or extremes.

If you have any questions, please contact CEO Melinda Johnson at **mjohnson@ancientfaith.com**. Signing and dating below indicates that you have read the entirety of this document and agree to the terms described therein.

Podcaster(s) Signature(s): _____

Date: _____

Please return to Ancient Faith Ministries: 1050 Broadway, Chesterton, IN 46304 • **bmaddex@ancientfaith.com**