

Staff Parish Relations Evaluation

Candidate: Please forward this form to your P/SPRC Chair.

_____ is applying to the Alabama-West Florida Conference of the United Methodist Church for admission as

___ an Elder in Full Connection.

___ a Deacon in Full Connection.

The Board of Ordained Ministry asks that the Pastor/Staff Parish Relations Committee give an evaluation of the applicant's ministerial leadership. This form should be filled out at an announced, called meeting of the Pastor/Staff Parish Relations Committee of your charge. Review and discuss the form before you begin to fill it out. Give your prayerful, well-considered answers to each question, using extra sheets of paper if necessary. If you have questions about the form, or about the process that you are involved in, please contact the Director of Ministerial Services listed at the end of this form. Please email your responses directly to Erika Glawson at: erika@awfumc.org. Deadline is September 14, 2023.

Name of Church/Charge: _____

Date and Place of PPR/SPR Committee meeting at which this form was completed: _____

Number of committee members involved in completing this form: _____

Number of committee members absent and not involved: _____

Pastor/Staff Parish Committee Chairperson: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

1. How long has the applicant served your church/charge?

2. Describe a situation when someone received excellent pastoral care from the candidate.

3. Describe an experience when something in the candidate's sermon or Bible study made you examine your faith more deeply.

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4. Describe a time when the candidate used an existing tension or conflict as an opportunity for growth within the congregation.

5. Describe a way the candidate is leading your congregation beyond the church walls to reach your community.

6. Does the candidate understand, believe in, and urge full support of the programs and ministries of the United Methodist Church? ___ Yes ___ No (If "No", give details below.)

7. Have there been major problems in the life of your church this year that in the opinion of your committee are the result of the ministry of the applicant?
___ Yes ___ No (If "Yes", give details below.)

8. In the opinion of your committee, what are the major strengths of the applicant as a minister of the gospel?

9. What are the candidate's growing edges or weaknesses that, with attention, would increase his or her effectiveness for lifelong fruitful ministry?

10. Is there anything else that would be helpful for the Board of Ordained Ministry to know about the candidate?

11. Does your experience with the candidate cause you to have any concern that this person can function effectively within the structure of the United Methodist Church? If your answer is yes, please respond.

I understand that this form should be returned directly to the Office of Ministerial Services at erika@awfumc.org and not the candidate. Deadline is September 14, 2023.