

AMERICAN PRESBYTERIAN C | H | U | R | C | H

Office of the Ministers and Their Work APPLICATION FOR ORDINATION TO THE GOSPEL MINISTRY

In 1990 the American Presbyterian Church (APC) opened the way for youth pastors and other people in ministry to receive ordination and be recognized as a "pastor". The APC tests each candidate and offers each approved candidate ordination, accountability and continual fellowship and training. We have ordained terrific, enthusiastic youth ministers as well as military chaplains who have been welcomed on staffs in the Episcopal church, the Methodist church, the Presbyterian church (PCUSA and PCA), independent churches as well as in the military. The APC is an independent non-profit ministry located in Florida

We are excited that you are interested in applying to be an ordained through the American Presbyterian Church. In order to be considered for ordination, we ask that you 1) Fill out the below application; 2) provide us with a national background check from www.CriminalBackgroundRecords.com or a national background check conducted by your current ministry position within the last 12 months; 3) a non-refundable application fee in the amount of \$75.00 made payable to the American Presbyterian Church. You may submit all the above items for consideration to Dr. Joe Warner, APC, 6348 Hypoluxo Rd., Ste10, Lake Worth, Florida 33463

Date _____

PART ONE – BIOGRAPHICAL

Full Name and Address

Telephone Number(s)

Home _____

Work _____

Cell _____

Email Address _____

SS# _____

Date of Birth _____ City & State of Birth _____

Are you a citizen of the United States of America? Yes No If not where?

Have you ever been charged and/or convicted of a felony? Yes No If yes, explain.

I am attaching with this application one of the following:

_____ a national background check from my current ministry that is not more than 12 months old

_____ a national background check I have obtained at my own expense through
www.CriminalBackgroundRecords.com

Are you presently engaged in ministry? Describe.

Are you presently married? Yes No

If yes, please list the name and birthday of your spouse, and your anniversary date.

If you have been married but are not married now, or if this is not your first marriage, please explain.

Full names and birth dates of your children.

YOUR EDUCATION - Please list the names of the schools you attended beyond high school and if graduated, the degree(s) earned and the dates. Also, other training you received that strengthens your ministry.

YOUR MINISTRY ó Are you now, or have you ever been ordained to the ministry? (circle) Yes No

If so, by what denomination are you still ordained?

If so, has your ordination ever been revoked or suspended?

If so, have you ever suffered any disciplinary actions from the organization who has ordained you?

WHAT IS YOUR PRESENT PRIMARY MINISTRY?(circle) Part-time Full-time
Pastoral, Youth, Recovery, Music, Counseling, Military Chaplain, Administration, Other _____

Are you in agreement with the summary of essential doctrines of the American Presbyterian Church and the high view of Holy Scripture to which evangelicals subscribe? If not, please tell us your views and where you differ from the APC's view.

PART TWO – NARRATIVE INFORMATION

Please answer the following questions on a separate sheet of paper and attach it to this application:

I ó YOUR EXPERIENCE WITH CHRIST AND YOUR CHRISTIAN CONVERSION.

- A. How did you become a Christian?
- B. Your basis for your öCALLö into the Ministry (tell about your daily Quiet Time and walk with the Lord)
- C. What is your view of the Bible?

II ó YOUR PERSPECTIVES ó

- A. Personal analysis of major accomplishments; blunders or failures.
- B. Basis of hopes for Future Ministry.
- C. What you hope to gain belonging to the American Presbyterian Church. (What can this affiliation do for your ministry?)
- D. Please write a paragraph giving your views on human sexuality, abortion, Same-sex marriage, pornography, divorce, and other issues you think are Important in your leading people in a healthy, happy, relationship with God.

III ó ABILITIES AND GIFTS

Tell us your thoughts, convictions, honest feelings, and past experiences in which you relate your abilities and gifts to ministry. Tell about your strong points (Are you great in Teaching? Evangelism? Writing? Preaching? Counseling? Organizing? Or whatever combination?) What are some of the challenges you face and what are the things you find hard to do? What do you look for in a Minister and Ministry?

IV - DREAMS AND VISION OF YOUR MINISTRY FOR CHRIST

öWhat would you attempt for God if you knew you could not fail?ö What would you like to do for God?

Date _____

By signing above I hereby certify that all information in my application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, except as to those matters therein stated on information and belief, and as to those matters, I believe them to be true and correct.