

SUMMER CONVERSATION BETWEEN CLERGY AND CONFERENCE SUPERINTENDENT

Just as a physical check-up is critical for a healthy life, it's also important to check up with the clergy on the faith and fruit-bearing for God's kingdom. Complete the following questions as a conversation starter and goal-setting tool. This type of exercise is necessary for all clergy who accept the sacred responsibility of providing leadership in congregations throughout the Indiana Conference.

The form should be completed and returned back to the District Center no later than May 1.

Name _____ Date _____

Church/Charge _____

How is it with your soul?

How do you care for yourself (spiritually, emotionally, mentally, and physical)?

How are your relationships with family, friends, and congregation members?

What would you identify as your two greatest areas of strength?

1.

2.

What are two areas you feel you need to grow as a pastoral leader?

1.

2.

What concerns, challenges, and frustrations have you faced over the last year?

What were your personal/professional goals last year?

What progress have you made in accomplishing these goals in the last year?

What personal/professional goals are you setting for the coming year?

How are you leading your congregation in becoming more missional?

What are the congregational goals for the coming year?

What difference will you make over the next year in accomplishing the congregational goals?

What are the things that will make you a more fruitful leader, but don't come naturally, and require additional discipline—physical, intellectual, financial, time management, others?

What information are you able to offer for consideration as it relates to your pastoral appointment for 2017-2018 (*i.e. itineracy concerns, family dynamics, etc.*)?