



**District Committee on Ministry  
Recommendation for Continuance of Local Pastor Licensing Conversation –  
Course of Study Completed (¶ 319)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Interview: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ H W C

Church Serving: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

**Purpose of Interview**

- A formal interview is not required. However, each year members of the dCOM should meet with those licensed Local Pastors who have completed the Course of Study (or equivalent) in order to recommend to the Board of Ordained Ministry (BoOM) that their license be continued.
- **Credentialing Standard: Fruitfulness. Does this person demonstrate increasing qualities of a Fruitful Transformational Leader?**

**For the Interview Team**

- The team must determine whether or not the person is bearing fruit in their ministry location in order to recommend the continuance of the Local Pastor license.

**Requirements prior to interview**

- None

**Required Questions**

- How are you leading the church to be missional? Give an example of its fruit.
- What is your current strategy toward continuing education?
- What was the most difficult challenge you faced as pastor this past year and how did you meet it? What did you learn from it, and how do you feel you have grown from this experience?
- Tell us about your leadership experiences in the past year & an example of fruit from your ministry.

**Suggested Questions**

- How is it with your soul?
- What does your support system look like?
- What was the greatest joy you experienced in ministry in the past year? Why?
- What are the most stressful aspects of ministry for you?
- What do you do to take care of yourself physically, emotionally, relationally, & spiritually?
- What does your work/life balance look like? (Integration of personal and professional responsibilities?)
- How do you equip laity in your church? Share some specific examples.
- What are your goals for the year ahead?

**Action Required:**

- Three-quarter (3/4) majority vote required to recommend continuance of license.

**Comments**

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**Interview Team Members:**

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Signature of Team Member

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Date

**NOTES:**

**dCOM Secretary: Send minutes within 14 days to dCOM members, the district office and the Administrator of Leadership Development - Ministerial Services, including any vote totals and actions taken for all candidates.**

**dCOM Registrar/Chair: Upload dCOM Action Report (Form D), and follow-up letter into UMCARES.**