



**District Committee on Ministry
Recommendation for Other Methodist Status Interview (¶ 346.1)**

Name: _____ Date of Interview: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone: _____ H W C

Church Serving: _____ District: _____

Purpose of Interview

- For persons with ministerial credentials in other Methodist denominations who are being considered for part-time appointments, the dCOM must interview them in order to recommend to the Board of Ordained Ministry that they be recognized as an Other Methodist (OM) pastor.
- **Credentialing Standard: Wesleyan Theology and Fruitfulness. *Does this person demonstrate the qualities of Transformational Leadership in a United Methodist context?***

For the Interview Team

- The team must determine whether or not the person has the fruit in ministry in order to recommend for recognition as an Other Methodist (OM) pastor.
- The team must determine whether the person is willing to support the doctrine, discipline, and polity of the United Methodist Church.

Requirements prior to interview

- Copy of ministerial credentials from an approved Methodist denomination. A complete membership list can be found at: <http://worldmethodistcouncil.org/about/member-churches/>.
- Letter of Consent between sending and receiving bishops (or other judicatory authority)
- Completed Background Screening through Trak 1.
- Completion of "Loyalty" Statement (Form S) to support and maintain United Methodist doctrine, discipline and polity while under appointment to a church/charge .
- Receipt of Supervisory files from sending denomination

Required Questions

Initial Interview

- What brought you to seek an appointment in the Indiana Conference of the United Methodist Church?
- What is your understanding of the sacraments? Do they have a United Methodist understanding of the sacraments?
- How are you personally reaching out missionally to your community? Do they know the mission of the United Methodist Church?

Renewal Interview

- What differences have you experienced in ministry compared to you denomination?
- How have you led the local church to be missional in your community? Have they integrated the mission of the United Methodist Church into their ministry?
- What was the greatest joy you experienced in ministry during the past year? Why?
- What was your greatest challenge in ministry during the past year? What did you learn from it?

Suggested Questions

- How is it with your soul?
- What does your support system look like?
- What do you do to take care of yourself physically, emotionally, relationally, & spiritually?
- What are your goals for the year ahead?
- What are your plans for continued growth?
- What excites you about ministry? What's your passion?

Action Required

- Majority vote required to recommend for Other Methodist status.

Comments

Interview Team Members:

Signature of Team Member

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.