

Evangel Presbytery

COMING UNDER CARE CHECKLIST

All forms may be mailed or scanned and emailed (preferred)

CANDIDATE APPEARS BEFORE THE SESSION AT BPC

- Candidate must be a member of their church for *"at least 6 months before filing his application"* (BCO 18-2)
- The candidate appears before the Session to give his testimony and call to ministry. The Session then votes to endorse him as a candidate to Evangel Presbytery

SESSIONAL CERTIFICATION & REFERENCE

- *"The endorsement of the Session must be given to the Presbytery, consisting of testimonials regarding his Christian character and promise of usefulness in the ministry. The endorsement should also describe the activities of ministry the applicant has participated in with brief evaluation"* (from BCO 18-2)
- The Session of sponsor church sends the **Sessional Certification Form** to Candidates, Licentiates & Interns Committee (CLIC) Chairman

CANDIDATE SUBMITS APPLICATION TO PRESBYTERY

- Candidate files his application at least one month before the Presbytery meets
- Candidate is to follow the 5 steps listed on the **Application Form** and shown below
 1. Return the completed **Application Form** to the CLIC Chairman
 2. Have your Session complete and send the **Sessional Certification Form** and to CLIC Chairman
 3. Have 3 people (*your pastor, a person your own age, and one of your professors or employers*) fill out the **Personal Reference Form** and send directly to the CLIC Chairman
 4. Send a **transcript** of all your college and seminary (if applicable) work sent to the CLIC Chairman (does not have to be an official copy)
 5. Once your file is complete you are to **arrange to meet** with the CLIC for oral examinations in experiential religion (personal testimony) and motives for seeking the ministry. The committee typically meets three weeks prior to the scheduled date of Presbytery. Please contact the Chairman to be placed on the docket for the committee meeting

ONE YEAR INTERNSHIP

- With the oversight of the session, the applicant for care will choose a mentor.
- *"An applicant for care may not be received under care and examined for ordination at the same meeting of the Presbytery, since he must serve a period of at least one year of internship prior to ordination"* (BCO 18-2; see also BCO 19-7 and 21-4). An applicant can however be taken under care and licensed to preach the Gospel at the same meeting
- Mentor should use (**How to be a Good Mentor** and **Internship Checklist Forms** attached)

APPLICANT APPEARS BEFORE THE PRESBYTERY

- Applicant must appear in person and be examined on his personal testimony and call to ministry (BCO 18-3)
- Applicant arranges this with the CLIC chairman and informs the MT Pastor at BPC

APPLICANT PROVIDES COMMITTEE MEMBER WITH AN ANNUAL REPORT

- Annual reports of all candidates are required (BCO 18-6 and 19-7)
- Use the **Intern Checklist Form** in conjunction with your mentor