

## Elder Application Form 2025

This application is for those who are applying to be ordained as an elder at 2026 Annual Conference. <u>Please read everything carefully</u>. Here are the things we'd like for you to be aware of:

- Deadline for the application is <u>November 30, 2025</u>. Unless there is an emergency, this is a hard deadline.
- Your interview by the Board of Ministry will be in February via Zoom. You will receive detailed instruction in January.
- Please submit your application to <a href="mailto:nkellum@globalmethodist.org">nkellum@globalmethodist.org</a>.



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Please send completed paperwork to <a href="mailto:nkellum@globalmethodist.org">nkellum@globalmethodist.org</a> by <a href="mailto:November 30, 2025">November 30, 2025</a>.

Na	ame:					
D	OB:					
M	ailing Address:					
Ph	none Number:					
Er	mail Address:					
Cł	nurch: District:					
W	hat is your role at your church?					
If	you are appointed outside the local church, please write the place and your role:					
Checklist:						
(	) Elder Educational Requirements (Please attach your transcript)					
( de	( ) Served faithfully, maturely, and effectively over a period of a minimum of <u>two years</u> as a deacon.					
(	) Signed Application					
(	) Written answers (up to five pages).					

## Please answer the following questions in writing. (maximum 5 pages)

- 1. Share one example of where you saw God at work in your ministry setting.
- 2. What did God teach you in your life or in your ministry since you were ordained as a deacon?
- 3. Share one example of your mistake/failure and what you learned from it.

## Bishop's Historic Ordination Questions

Please read the following questions. If your answer is "yes" to all of them, sign your name below.

Reference ¶ 408 Transitional Book of Doctrines and Discipline of GMC.

- 1) Have you faith in Christ?
- 2) Are you going on to perfection?
- 3) Do you expect to be made perfect in love in this life?
- 4) Are you earnestly striving after perfection in love?
- 5) Are you resolved to devote yourself wholly to God and God's work?
- 6) Do you know the General Rules of our Church?
- 7) Will you keep the General Rules of our Church?
- 8) Have you studied the doctrines of the Global Methodist Church?
- 9) After full consideration, do you believe that our doctrines are in harmony with the Holy Scriptures?
- 10) Have you studied our form of church discipline and polity?
- 11) Do you approve our form of church discipline and polity?
- 12) Will you support and maintain them?
- 13) Will you exercise the ministry of compassion?
- 14) Will you diligently instruct the children in every place?
- 15) Will you visit from house to house?
- 16) Will you recommend fasting or abstinence, both by precept and example?
- 17) Are you determined to employ all your time in the work of God?
- 18) Are you in debt so as to embarrass you in your work?
- 19) Will you observe the following directions?
  - a) Be diligent. Never be unemployed. Never be triflingly employed. Never trifle away time; neither spend any more time at one place than is strictly necessary.
  - b) Be punctual. Do everything exactly at the time. And do not mend our rules, but keep them; not for wrath, but for conscience' sake.

By signing this document, you affirm that you answered "yes" to each of the above questions. (except a "no" on question 18).

Signature:			
Date:			