



## Elder Application Form 2026

This application is for those who are applying to be ordained as an elder at 2027 Annual Conference. Please read everything carefully. Here are the things we'd like for you to be aware of:

- Deadline for the application is November 30, 2026. Unless there is an emergency, this is a hard deadline. Please submit everything that is required.
- Your interview by the Board of Ministry will be on March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2027 via Zoom. You will receive detailed instruction in January.
- Please submit your application to [nkellum@globalmethodist.org](mailto:nkellum@globalmethodist.org).



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Please send completed paperwork to [nkellum@globalmethodist.org](mailto:nkellum@globalmethodist.org) by November 30, 2025.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address:

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Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

What is your role at your church?

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If you are appointed outside the local church, please write the place and your role:

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### Checklist:

( ) Elder Educational Requirements (Please attach your transcript)

( ) Served faithfully, maturely, and effectively over a period of a minimum of two years 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: \_\_\_\_\_