

MICHIGAN CONFERENCE LAY SERVANT MINISTRIES: Form 3

Certified Lay Minister Application



PART 1: CONTACT INFORMATION OF APPLICANT

Name _____
Email _____ Best Phone _____
Address _____ City/State/Zip _____
Church Name _____ District _____

PART 2: COMPLETED REQUIREMENTS OF THE CERTIFIED LAY MINISTER

- ☐ Read and discussed *The Christian as a Minister* with my pastor
- ☐ Current Certified Lay Servant: Year of certification or renewal _____
- ☐ Current Certified Lay Speaker: Year of certification or renewal _____
- ☐ Completed Advanced Course: Leading Bible Study: Year completed _____
- ☐ Completed Modules 1-4: Indicate year completed
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| Module 1: Call & Covenant for Ministry _____ | Module 2: The Practice of Ministry _____ |
| Module 3: Organization for Ministry _____ | Module 4: Connection for Ministry _____ |
- ☐ Completed Protection Policy Training: Year completed _____

PART 3: REQUEST OF THE APPLICANT

I request a letter of recommendation from my pastor, Church Council/Church Conference and District Superintendent to be a Certified Lay Minister.

Date _____ Signature of Applicant _____

PART 4: RECOMMENDATION OF THE PASTOR

I have met with this lay speaker and have completed a letter of recommendation for them to be a Certified Lay Minister. *See attached.*

Date _____ Signature of Pastor _____

PART 5: RECOMMENDATION OF CHURCH COUNCIL/CHURCH CONFERENCE

The Church Council/Church Conference of _____ United Methodist Church has completed a letter of recommendation for this lay speaker to be a Certified Lay Minister. *See attached.*

Date _____ Signature of Church Council Chair _____

PART 6: RECOMMENDATION OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT

The District Superintendent has completed a letter of recommendation for this lay speaker to be a Certified Lay Minister. *See attached.*

Date _____ Signature of District Superintendent _____

PART 7: ACTION BY THE DISTRICT COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY

☐ The District Committee on Ordained Ministry (dCOM) has interviewed the applicant. The dCOM
☐ recommends ☐ does not recommend them to be a Certified Lay Minister.

Date _____ Signature of District Committee on Ordained Ministry Chair _____

PART 8: ACTION OF THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON LAY SERVANT MINISTRIES

The Conference Committee on Lay Servant Ministries has received all recommendations, including from the dCOM, and documentation. This application to be a Certified Lay Minister is

☐ approved ☐ not approved.

Date _____ Signature of Conference Director of Lay Servant Ministries _____

Please Note: The original completed form, including all signature, is to remain at the local church. A copy is to be submitted with the church conference documents. Additional copies are to be distributed to the 1) CLM, 2) District Director of Lay Servant Ministries, 3) Conference Director of Lay Servant Ministries.

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