

TRACKING FOR MINISTRY IN THE FREE METHODIST CHURCH IN CANADA

PRIVACY CONSENT FORM

I consent to the collection, use and disclosure of the information below and any other information resulting from the tracking process for credentialed ministry in The Free Methodist Church in Canada (FMCiC) only. This information can be shared between the Pastor of the _____ Church, members of the discernment team, the Official Board, the Regional MEGaP team and the Leadership Development Office of The FMCiC. In addition, I consent to the disclosure of name and related contact information in The FMCiC

directory. Name: _____ Date: _____

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

_____ <i>Surname</i> <i>First Name</i> <i>Middle Name</i>	<i>Address:</i> <i>City/Prov/PC:</i> <i>S.I.N.:</i> _____	<i>Telephone:</i> <i>Cell:</i> <i>Work:</i> <i>Email:</i>
<i>Birth date:</i> _____ <i>Citizenship:</i> _____	<i>Birthplace:</i> _____	<i>Marital Status:</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced* <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed
*Have you been previously married? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes Has your spouse been previously married? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes		
See The Manual ¶816-Divorce and The Ministry) (If yes is checked here, please contact the Credentialing Coordinator)		
<i>Spouse's Name:</i> _____	<i>Spouse's Birth date:</i> _____	<i>Date of Marriage:</i> _____
<i>Children (Names & Birthdates):</i> _____		

Criminal Offence: Have you ever been convicted of a criminal offence for which you have not received a pardon? No Yes

Please provide a Clearance Certificate from your local Police Dept (see pg 2) (If yes is checked here, please contact the Credentialing Coordinator)

EDUCATIONAL DATA

SCHOOLS ATTENDED: (Please submit transcripts of ALL post-secondary education to Credentialing Coordinator.)

<i>College/University:</i>	<i>Date of Graduation:</i>	<i>Degree Obtained:</i>
<i>Seminary:</i>	<i>Date of Graduation:</i>	<i>Degree Obtained:</i>
<i>Other:</i>		

MINISTERIAL SERVICE DATA

*List your involvement in the **Free Methodist Church** indicating the extent (full-time, 1/2 time, 1/4 time, voluntary, etc.) of your ministry involvement.*

<i>Church:</i>	<i>Position:</i>	<i>Extent:</i>	<i>Dates:</i>
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STEPS TO MINISTERIAL CANDIDACY	
<i>The following information is required for your file:</i>	✓
Membership in Local Church	see The Manual of The Free Methodist Church in Canada, Chapter 1, ¶150
Lay Minister’s License Issued	see The Manual, Chapter 3, ¶381a
Divorce Clearance (if applicable)	apply through Bishop’s office
Clearance Certificate from Police Department	dated within the past twelve months
Résumé	send Credentialing Coordinator email copy
Transcripts	unofficial photocopies, faxed or scanned copies are sufficient
Life-Learning/Experience Portfolio	required only if candidate has no post-secondary education
Candidate’s Signed Affirmation Form	see The Manual, Chapter 8, ¶871
Established Small Group	send Credentialing Coordinator an email describing the small group you established
Accountability Partner relationship established	see The Manual, Chapter 8, ¶801-Advice to the Minister
Official Board Recommendation	see The Manual, Chapter 3, ¶383b
Myers-Briggs Type Indicator Step I	Credentialing Coordinator will send instructions
SHAPE profile submitted	www.fmcic.ca/index.php/en/ministry-areas/leadership-development/tracking-index/shape-material
Reflection paper submitted on Family of Origin	Credentialing Coordinator will send instructions
Meeting with MEGaP sub-committee re spousal support	Credentialing Coordinator will set this up
3 Letters of Reference (Pastor, Delegate, Ministry Leader)	Credentialing Coordinator will send instructions once first MEGaP interview date has been confirmed
Reflection paper submitted – “Call to Ministry”	Credentialing Coordinator will send instructions once first MEGaP interview date has been confirmed

EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS	
3-credit hour course equivalencies accepted from accredited ABHE or ATS schools.	
Please provide transcripts [unofficial photocopies, faxed or scanned copies are sufficient].	
The Heart of Canadian Free Methodism <i>(FMCiC foundational course)</i>	(3) Wesleyan Theology (3) <i>(FMCiC Foundational Course or equivalency)</i>
Introduction to the Bible	(3) Introduction to Christian Doctrine (3)
Grand Total Ministerial Candidate Credits (12)	
30 semester credits at any post-secondary educational institution OR demonstrated competency (complete a Life Learning/Experience Portfolio)	
Bases 1, 2, 3, 4 (or equivalent = Read “ <i>Purpose Driven Church</i> ” by Rick Warren)	

FIRST INTERVIEW
The last step before you can become a ministerial candidate is to have an interview with the Ministerial Education Guidance and Placement (MEGaP) committee. The above requirements <i>must be completed before</i> a date will be set for your MEGaP interview. After the interview, MEGaP will make a recommendation to the Board of Administration about you becoming a Ministerial Candidate.

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STEPS FROM MINISTERIAL CANDIDATE TO COMMISSIONED MINISTER		
<i>The following information is required for your file:</i>	✓	
Minister's Signed Affirmation Form		See The Manual, Chapter 8, ¶872
Ministerial Candidate Evaluation Forms (Candidate & Pastor)		Credentialing Coordinator will send instructions once second MEGaP interview date has been confirmed
2 Letter of Reference (Board members)		Credentialing Coordinator will send instructions once second MEGaP interview date has been confirmed
Ministry Experience Required: 3 years		begins to accumulate from the date of the conference appointment at a local church

COURSE REQUIREMENTS		
(3-credit hour course equivalencies accepted from accredited ABHE or ATS schools – please provide transcripts)		
Personal & Church Stewardship <i>FMCiC Foundational Course</i>	(3)	Systematic Theology (3)
Culture & the Missional Church <i>FMCiC Foundational Course</i>	(3)	Three Electives <i>(in the area of specialty)</i> (9)
		Commissioned Minister Total Credits (18)
		Required Courses for Ministerial Candidate (see pg 2) (12)
		Grand Total Credits (30)

SECOND INTERVIEW
This is the second and last interview for Commissioned Minister status. It comes approximately three years after the first interview and when all the required educational and ministry experience is complete. After the interview MEGaP will make the recommendation to the Board of Administration about you becoming a Commissioned Minister.

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STEPS FROM MINISTERIAL CANDIDATE TO ORDAINED MINISTER		
<i>The following information is required for your file:</i>	✓	
Minister's Signed Affirmation Form (par. 872) Received		See The Manual, Chapter 8, ¶872
OM2 Evaluation Forms (Candidate & Pastor)		Credentialing Coordinator will send instructions once second MEGaP interview date has been confirmed
OM3 Evaluation Form (Pastor)		Credentialing Coordinator will send instructions once final MEGaP interview date has been confirmed
2 Letter of Reference (Board members)		Credentialing Coordinator will send instructions once final MEGaP interview date has been confirmed
Ministry Experience Required: 4 years		begins to accumulate from the date of the conference appointment at a local church
Reflection paper submitted – “Meaning of Ordination”		Credentialing Coordinator will send instructions once final MEGaP interview date has been confirmed

COURSE REQUIREMENTS			
(3-credit hour course equivalencies accepted from accredited ABHE or ATS schools — please provide transcripts)			
Biblical Studies	(9)	Systematic Theology	(3)
Church History	(3)	Culture & the Missional Church <i>(FMCiC foundational course)</i>	(3)
Evangelism /Church Growth	(3)	Personal & Church Stewardship <i>(FMCiC foundational course)</i>	(3)
Leadership / Administration	(3)	4 Additional Electives <i>(Biblical studies / theology /practical studies)</i>	(12)
Pastoral Theology/Practical Studies	(6)	Ordained Minister Total Credits	(45)
		Required Courses for Ministerial Candidate (see pg 2)	(12)
		GRAND TOTAL CREDITS	(57)

SECOND INTERVIEW
This is the second interview for Ordained Minister status. It comes approximately two years after the first interview. This is a progress and guidance interview, which will be similar to the format of the first interview.

THIRD INTERVIEW
This is the third and final interview for Ordained Minister status. It comes approximately two years after the second interview and when all the required educational and ministry experience is complete. This is a guidance interview in which readiness for ordained ministry is clarified. It will be similar to the format of the first and second interviews.

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