

**Certified Lay Ministry Process** – Adopted Legislation at 2016 General Conference

(For more details please see *Certified Lay Ministry Applicants Packet*)

**As part of a ministry team with supervision and support of a clergyperson:**

* Conducts public worship
* Cares for the congregation
* Develops new faith communities
* Preaches the Word
* Leads small groups
* Establishes outreach ministries
* Serves as a class leader
* Engages in specialized ministries after appropriate training

**REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFICATION:**

* Certified as a lay servant, lay missioner
* Pastor and church council or charge conference recommendation
* Completion of a track of study as defined in ¶268 2016 Book of Discipline
* District Superintendent recommendation
* Appropriate screening & assessment
* Conference committee on Lay Servant Ministries approval after interview with and recommendation from district committee on Ordained Ministry

**REQUIREMENTS FOR RENEWAL:**

* Annual report
* Pastor and church council or charge conference recommendation
* Ministry review
* Lay Servant Ministries advanced course or approved continuing education event annually
* District Superintendent recommendation
* Conference committee on Lay Servant Ministries approval every two years after interview with and recommendation from district committee on Ordained Ministry

**CLM APPLICANT: Biographical Information Form**

*Please Print Legibly*

Applicant Name: Date:

Address:

Phone (Day): Phone (Evening or Cell)

Email:

Date of Birth:

Home Church: District:

Church Address:

Briefly describe your involvement in your local church, such as your leadership positions, groups you enjoy, church activities, etc.

Briefly describe your involvement in activities beyond your local church, such as district or annual conference work, church camps, workshops, outreach, etc.

Educational Background – circle highest level completed:

High School Associates Degree Bachelors Degree Masters Degree Other

Please name school and concentration of your degree if beyond High School:

❑ I am a Certified Lay Servant I became certified in (date)

Being a Certified Lay Servant is required before beginning a process for Certified Lay Ministry.

Marital Status: (check one)

❑ Single (never married) ❑ Married ❑ Widowed ❑ Separated ❑ Divorced

If married, spouse’s name:

Describe your community involvement and volunteer work, such as participation in community organizations, social clubs, service agencies, and other non-church related volunteer service: