

Red Bird Missionary Conference of the United Methodist Church

Application to Begin and Report / Request for Continuation of Lay Servant 2022



This report is for use by the Lay Servant in applying or reporting to the Charge Conference (para. 267.3, 268.3b) The Book of Discipline, 2016. Attach additional pages as needed.

Please print or type:

(Mr., Ms., Mrs., Miss) _____ Date _____

Address: _____ Zip _____

Phone (Home): (____) _____ Work: (____) _____ Email: _____

Church _____ City of Church _____

Charge _____ Conference: _____

Check appropriate line: *This is my:*

- A. ___ Initial application to become a Local Church Lay Servant
- B: ___ Report/request for continued recognition as a Local Church Lay Servant
- C: ___ Initial request to be recognized as a Certified Lay Servant
- D: ___ Report/request for continued recognition as Certified Lay Servant for year beginning _____ and ending _____

I. TRAINING

1. Have you completed a basic course for Lay Servants as offered by your conference? Yes ___ No ___
If yes, date _____
2. Have you completed an advanced course for Lay Servants? Yes ___ No ___
If Yes, give title of course completed most recently and date: _____

Also, list other advanced courses and dates: _____

3. In what activities have you engaged (and/or what books or other resources have you read or used during the past year) to help you:
 - a. Grow in your spiritual life? _____

 - b. Strengthen your spiritual gifts? _____

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II. SERVICE AND SUPPORT DURING LAST YEAR *(Omit this section if applying for the first time.)*

4. Check and explain activities that you participation in as a Lay Servant in your local church:

[] a. Worship services: _____

[] b. Devotional messages: _____

[] c. Taught classes : _____

[] d. Performed outreach ministries in community: _____

[] e. Other services (list): _____

5. If you are a Certified Lay Servant, report how many times you have served beyond your local church this past year:

A. Pulpit Supply _____ Speaker at groups/organizations _____ Group Leader _____
In caring ministries _____

b. List other activities and their frequency: _____

6. Have you had adequate opportunities to serve as a Lay Servant this past year? Yes ___ No ___
If no, indicate areas of serve you are interested _____

7. What additional training or support do you need or believe could be offered to all Lay Servants?

8. Other suggestions to improve or expand the Lay Servant program in this annual conference:

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III. RECOMMENDATIONS

9. I request the recommendation of the pastor and the charge conference (or Administrative Council) to be recognized as a Local Church ____ Certified ____ Lay Servant for the coming year.

Signed _____ Date _____
Applicant/Lay Servant

10. As pastor, I recommend that this request for recognition as a Local Church ____ Certified ____ Lay Servant be approved for the coming year.

Signed _____ Date _____
Pastor

11. The charge conference (or Administrative Council) recommends the person named above to the conference committee on Lay Servants for a recognition as a Local Church Certified Lay Servant for the ensuing year.

Signed _____ Date _____
Chairperson of Admin. Council

Signed _____ Date _____
Conference Superintendent

IV. ACTION OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON LAY SERVANTS (and dates)

12. Application/report received _____ 13. Basic course completed _____

14. Most recent advanced course completed _____

15. Interview with committee _____

16. Service interests and specialties _____

17. Approved for recognition as Local Church Lay Servants _____

18. Approved for recognition as a Certified Lay Servant _____

19. Comments _____

Signed _____ Date _____