Small Church Residency Application for Pastors

Synod of the Northeast of the PCUSA

Question Group

Your preferred name* Character Limit: 100

What is your current ecclesial status?*

Choices Teaching Elder Certified and Ready to Receive a Call

What is your Presbytery of membership?*

Character Limit: 150

Minimum effective salary*

What is the minimum effective salary that you are willing to receive for a full-time designated pastor position? *Character Limit: 20*

Preferred Region of Service within the Synod of the Northeast*

Please list the state(s) or region(s) within a state within in which you would be willing to serve. The states listed must be within the geographical bounds of the Synod of the Northeast. *Character Limit: 250*

Formal Education*

Please list your formal education (post high school graduation) with the name of the academic institution, degree received, and year of graduation. Your response is limited to 1,500 characters (approximately 250 words).

Character Limit: 1500

ESSAY QUESTIONS

Work Experience*

Please list your relevant work experience with brief descriptions of the nature of the work you carried out in each position listed. Your response is limited to 3,000 characters (approximately 500 words).

Character Limit: 3000

Service to the Church and Community*

Please list your service to the church and/or community through volunteer or committee work at the local, regional, or national levels of the denomination. Your response is limited to 3,000 characters (approximately 500 words).

Character Limit: 3000

Sense of Call*

Please describe your sense of call to small church ministry. Your response is limited to 3,000 characters (approximately 500 words).

Character Limit: 3000

References*

Please list a minimum of four references, including their full name, email address, and phone number.

Character Limit: 3000

PARTICIPANT AGREEMENTS

Participant Agreements*

If accepted into the Synod of the Northeast Small Church Residency Program, you are asked to agree to the following requirements of participation. Confirm your agreement by placing a check in the following boxes. I agree to:

Choices

I agree to serve as a designated pastor for the term of three years.

I will participate in the Early Ministry Institute Program.

I will work with the leaders of the congregation to develop a visionary team.

I will participate in the Small Church Residency cohort and coaching program.

I will participate in congregational transformation and change management courses.

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

Resume or Personal Discernment Profile* Please upload your resume or Personal Discernment Profile (PDP). *File Size Limit: 10 MB*

Third Party - Presbytery Leader Email

Third Party Email*

Please enter the email of your Stated Clerk. Send them an email with the following information included to request that they complete form attesting to your status within the Presbytery.

Please include in the email:

1. Your Name

2. A brief note to say that you are applying for the Small Church Residency Program and this application requires that they attest to your status in the Presbyery.

Feel free to copy and paste the following email template for the email to your Stated Clerk.

SAMPLE EMAIL TEMPLATE

Dear (Enter the name of your Stated Clerk),

I am applying to the Synod of the Northeast Small Church Residency Program. My application requires that you attest to my status in the Presbytery.

Please fill out the information requested by the Synod of the Northeast within ten (10) days. The form they will ask you to fill out will arrive in a separate email. The completion of that form is required to complete my application.

I appreciate your assistance!

Sincerely, (*Enter your first and last name here*)

Character Limit: 254

What is the applicant's status/standing in the Presbytery that you serve?*

The Synod of the Northeast Small Church Residency Program is open to Teaching Elders and those who are Certified and Ready to Receive a Call. Thank you for describing the applicant's status in your Presbytery.

Character Limit: 1800