



The Pastoral Information Form (PIF)
Iowa Yearly Meeting of Friends



Today's Date _____

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Day Phone _____ Evening Phone _____

Fax _____ Cell Phone _____

Email Address _____

Male Female Birthdate _____

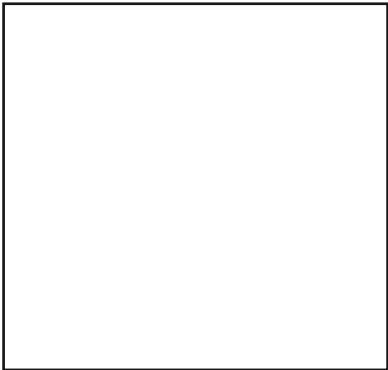
Anniversary _____

Spouse's Name _____ Spouse's Birthdate _____

Children's Name(s) and Age(s)

How many dependents do you currently have besides yourself and your spouse? _____

Please attach a photo of yourself.



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RELATIONSHIPS, EDUCATION, AND EMPLOYMENT

Please briefly describe how you met the Lord:

Please briefly describe your call into the ministry:

Please briefly describe your walk with the Lord today:

Please describe your prayer life:

Please briefly describe your spouse's support of the ministry you will share:

Please mark (with an X) your current occupational status: Secular ____ Student ____ Ministerial ____

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| Schools | Dates | Degree |
|---------|-------|--------|
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ |

Please list other courses of study or seminars you have taken:

| School | Dates | Degree |
|--------|-------|--------|
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ |

Please list ministries/activities in which you are involved outside of any pastoral duties:

Please list the churches and employers where you have served:

| Church/Employer | Position | Dates |
|-----------------|----------|-------|
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ |

Please mark (with an X) your spouse's status: Student _____ Homemaker _____ Employed _____

Please list the type of education and employment for your spouse:

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| School/Employer | Major/Position | City/State | Dates |
|-----------------|----------------|------------|-------|
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |

YOUR KNOWLEDGE OF IOWA YEARLY MEETING (IAYM)

*How many years have you attended an IAYM church? _____

*Have you read and understood the IAYM's Discipline? _____

*Are you in agreement with the doctrines of IAYM? _____

*Have you been recorded by IAYM?

_____ Recorded (Date you were recorded _____)

_____ In Process

_____ Interested

Have you served on any IAYM Boards/Committees?

| Board/Committee | Position Held | Dates |
|-----------------|---------------|-------|
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ |

Are you able to fully comply, teach, and lead according to IAYM Discipline? _____

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LIFE EXPERIENCE AND VALUES

Please answer "no" where applicable or explain briefly "yes" answers.

Have either you or your spouse ever been divorced or Separated?

Have either you or your spouse ever experienced any addictions?

Do either you or your spouse have a police record?

Do either you or your spouse practice tithing?

Do either you or your spouse have preferences that could conflict with IAYM churches?

Please describe briefly what you find fulfilling and frustrating about ministry:

Fulfilling

Frustrating

Please describe briefly your personal philosophy of ministry:

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IOWA YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS CHURCHES DISCIPLINE INQUIRY

(If you would like to give further explanation to any of the questions that follow, please use the text boxes provided to do so. The questions are from the By-laws section, "QUERIES AND ADVICES," from our book of Discipline. Answering "No" or giving further explanation does not mean disqualification from being considered as a candidate, but it does signify an area to be discussed between the candidate and the search committee)

1. Do you believe in one holy, almighty, all wise, everlasting God, the Father, the creator and Preserver of all things?

Further Explanation:

2. Do you believe that God created us in His own image; that He gave us freedom to obey or disobey, and that through disobedience death has passed upon all, therefore, to all it may be said, "You must be born again?"

Further Explanation:

3. Do you believe in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ as the Eternal Word who was with God and was God, that was made flesh and dwelt among men, being in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin; that He became obedient unto death and is the propitiation of sins of the whole world; that He arose from the dead and ascended to the Father, making intercession for us and that He is able to save to the uttermost all that come into God through Him?

Further Explanation:

4. Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the promise of the Father, whom Christ declared He would send in His name; that He is come, and convicts the world of sin; that He leads to repentance toward God, and, as the Gospel is known, to faith toward the Lord Jesus Christ, by taking the things of Christ and showing them to believers; that He opens to them the truth of the Holy Scriptures and to the humbled and surrendered heart He becomes the Guide, Comforter and Sanctifier, and that the essential qualification for the Lord's service is through baptism of the Holy Spirit?

Further Explanation:

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5.

5. Do you believe that you have been born again and that you have become a child of God?

Further explanation:

6. Do you believe in the spirituality of worship; that the one baptism is that of Christ, who baptizes His people with the Holy Spirit; and that the true communion is spiritual partaking of the body and blood of Christ by faith?

Further Explanation:

7. Do you believe that the Lord Jesus Christ is head over all things to the church, that He calls and spiritually qualifies the Minister of the Gospel, and that the gifts in the ministry are to be exercised under the guidance of the Holy Spirit?

Further Explanation:

8. Do you believe in the resurrection of the just and unjust, that God will judge the world in righteousness by Jesus Christ, and that the punishment of the wicked and the blessedness of the righteous shall be eternal?

Further Explanation:

9. Do you believe that the Scriptures were given by inspiration of God; that, as interpreted by the life and teachings of Jesus Christ and unfolded by the Holy Spirit, they are to be believed and accepted in their entirety; and that whatever doctrine or practice is contrary to them is to be rejected as false and erroneous?

Further Explanation:

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10. Are you willing to have fellowship in a Christian spirit with other Friends, and are you willing to work in cooperation with and under the supervision of the Church?

Further explanation:

11. Do you believe that marriage is the most sacred of all social arrangements; that it is for the help and comfort of both sexes that they may be helpmates to each other; that it is for the continuance of the human family; that the practice of homosexuality is not acceptable for Christians, according to Biblical teachings?

Further Explanation:

12. Do you understand that the immoral practices including idolatry, greed, financial mismanagement, murder, robbery, drunkenness, quarreling, slander, and physical, sexual or emotional abuse, marital infidelity, promiscuity, homosexual practice or sexual perversion in any form, pornography, non-medicinal drug usage, the practice of the occult, witchcraft, Satanism or pagan religions are incompatible with Christian teaching as understood by Iowa Yearly Meeting of Friends, and because of this, do you keep your life free from these practices?

Further Explanation:

13. Do you follow Jesus' command to "Swear not at all," which includes not taking the Lord's name in vain, not using profanity, and telling the truth at all times, without the necessity of using judicial oaths?

Further Explanation:

14. Are you cautious against taking membership in any organization that will directly or indirectly diminish sympathy with any portion of humankind or tend to take the place of Jesus Christ as the center of your interest and activity, including secret organizations?

Further Explanation:

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15. Are you willing to study to be familiar with, and to reach a level of comfort of understanding with Iowa Yearly Meeting Statement of Faith and all its precepts, according to the latest revisions of the Iowa Yearly meeting Discipline?

Further Explanation:

16. In the last ten years, have you ever been convicted of an aggravated or serious misdemeanor or felony; been named as a perpetrator in any founded reports of child abuse, neglect, or sexual abuse; been convicted of a crime involving the mistreatment or exploitation of a child?

Were you the victim of abuse as a child?

REFERENCES

_____ I am enclosing copies of written references.

OR

_____ Please feel free to contact the following references:

| Name | Relationship | Phone |
|-------|--------------|-------|
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ |

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PASTORAL PROFILE (APPENDIX)

Pastor Name _____ Date _____

Preferences

This information is for the Superintendent usage as he seeks to make good matches for pastors and churches. Please place an "x" at the place on the scale that best describes your preferences as you seek to serve in a church. You may place an "x" beside the "No Preference" listing to the side. Please remember that preferences are only that: preferences. Thank you for helping the Superintendent become more familiar with you this way.

Setting

| | | | |
|---------|----------|---------|---------------|
| Rural | Suburban | City | No Preference |
| 1 _____ | 1 _____ | 1 _____ | _____ |

Housing

| | | | |
|-----------|---------|----------|---------------|
| Parsonage | Rental | Purchase | No Preference |
| 1 _____ | 1 _____ | 1 _____ | _____ |

Size

| | | | |
|---------|---------|---------|---------------|
| 0 | 250 | 1000 | No Preference |
| 1 _____ | 1 _____ | 1 _____ | _____ |

Payscale

| | | | |
|-------------|-----------|----------|---------------|
| Pulpit-fill | Part-time | Fulltime | No Preference |
| 1 _____ | 1 _____ | 1 _____ | _____ |

Staffing

| | | | |
|----------|----------|------------|---------------|
| On Staff | No Staff | Have Staff | No Preference |
| 1 _____ | 1 _____ | 1 _____ | _____ |

Leadership

| | | | |
|--------------------|-----------------|------------|---------------|
| Congregational Led | Elder/Committee | Pastor Led | No Preference |
| 1 _____ | 1 _____ | 1 _____ | _____ |

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Worship Music

| | | | |
|-------------|-------------|--------------|---------------|
| Traditional | Combination | Contemporary | No Preference |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |

Preaching

| | | | |
|---------|-------------|------------|---------------|
| Topical | Combination | Exegetical | No Preference |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |

Missions

| | | | |
|----------------|----------|---------------|---------------|
| Local Outreach | Balanced | World Focused | No Preference |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |

Education

| | | | |
|-----------|-------------|--------------|---------------|
| Completed | Desire More | Seeking More | No Preference |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |

Evangelism

| | | | |
|---------|-----------|------------|---------------|
| Natural | Scheduled | Aggressive | No Preference |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |

Relationship to IAYM

| | | | |
|-----------------|-------------|------------------|---------------|
| Low Involvement | Team Player | High Involvement | No Preference |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |