

## Pastoral Reference

### To the Applicant:

This reference form should be completed by your pastor and mailed directly to the Office of Greater Philadelphia Master's Commission by the recommender (reference should not be completed by a family member). Please complete the following information and forward this form to your pastor.

Applicants name \_\_\_\_\_

Applicants address \_\_\_\_\_

Applicants phone number \_\_\_\_\_

The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 grants you the right to review the information provided by your recommender. Please circle one of the following:

1. I waive my right to review this recommendation and understand it will remain confidential.
2. I do not waive my right to review this recommendation.

Applicant's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known the applicant?  
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How long has he/she attended your church?  
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Please circle the word, or words, which best describe(s) the applicant.

#### Desire to learn

Strong determination	Positive attitude	No opportunity to observe
Needs encouragement	shows no interest	

#### Leadership

Excellent Leader initiative	Good organizer	No opportunity to observe
Leads only when asked	Makes no effort to leader	

#### Cooperation

Works well with others	usually cooperative	No opportunity to observe
Avoids group activities	Causes friction	

#### Respect for Authority

Respects those in authority	generally respectful	No opportunity to observe
Critical	Disrespectful	

#### Concern for others

Unselfish, Caring	Considerate	No opportunity to observe
Indifferent	Self-centered	

#### Acceptance by peers

Well-liked	Accepted	No opportunity to observe
Tolerated	Not accepted	

#### Choice of associates

Discerning in close friendships	somewhat discerning	No opportunity to observe
Careless	Questionable	

#### Spiritual Motivation

High morals and spiritual values	Consistent moral standards	No opportunity to observe
Inconsistent attitudes and practices	Makes no profession	

Please circle the word, or words, that best describe the applicant  
What terms best describe the applicants attitude?

Warm hearted	Bitter	Loving	Enthusiastic
Rebellious	Sympathetic	Antagonistic	Critical
Considerate	Devoted	Tolerant	Passive
Contemptuous	Respectful	Grateful	

What degree of interest does the applicant display towards church?

Is very irregular in church attendance and shows little interest in activities  
Seldom participates in church activities, although regularly attends  
Is cooperative and usually willing to help in the various activities of the church  
Enthusiastically engages in church activities for his/her age

Comment on any personal/character weakness that may pose problems in the ministry.

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Comment on any strengths, spiritual gifts, or ministerial abilities that the applicant possesses.

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Is this applicant of honorable character?

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In what areas do you think the applicant will excel as a disciple?

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In what areas do you think the applicant will need assistance?

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Recommender's signature

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Printed name here

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Name of Church

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Position

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Home Phone

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Work Phone

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Address

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City/ State/ Zip

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Email Address

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