

Mission Opportunities Survey for 2021

Every year we ask you to pledge your time, talents and resources to the work of the Presbytery. Please share this survey form with EVERY Ruling Elder and Minister in your congregation - not just those who are currently serving. We are developing a listing of the talents that exist within our Presbytery so that when needs arise in any congregation it will only take a quick phone call or check in to find someone who can help.

Name of Church (including city): _____

Your Name (title, first, middle, last): _____

Preferred Mailing Address (street number and name, city, state, zip code):

Home Mailing Address, if different (street number and name, city, state, zip code):

Work/Church Telephone Number (area code and number): _____

Home Telephone Number, if applicable (area code and number): _____

Cell Number, if applicable (area code and number): _____

Work/Church Email: _____

Home Email, if applicable: _____

Church Web Site. If applicable: _____

PERSONAL INFORMATION (enter information, if applicable)

Date of Birth: _____

Date of Installation: _____

Ordained by: _____

Date of Ordination: _____

SERVICE: What gifts would you like to share with the Presbytery? (i.e.: financial planning, drama, carpentry, spiritual direction, physical trainer, cooking, supervisor/administrative skills, coaching, gardening, nursing/public health, child/youth counseling/support, etc.)

PLEASE LIST: _____

Year you most recently served as a commissioner to General Assembly: _____

Year you most recently served as a commissioner to Synod of Lincoln Trails: _____

If you are asked to serve on a committee of the Presbytery, please determine that you are able to commit to regular meeting and active participation. When you volunteer you are investing your time, talents and skills.

- YES, I have determined I am able to commit to regular meetings and active participation.
- NO, I have determined I am unable to commit to regular meetings and active participation.

Additional Information (Please include any additional information you wish to share with us below):

If you feel a sense of call to one of the following committees/ opportunities/ subcommittees that are nominated by the Representation Committee and elected by the presbytery for service, and you are not currently serving, please indicate your interest below. Please understand that committee nominations are balanced by region, gender, skills, and minister/elder status.

- **GENERAL COUNCIL** – Serves to guide and direct the business of the presbytery, may act on behalf of the presbytery in some areas between stated meetings. (3 Year Term and can be renewed)
- **COMMISSION OF TRUSTEES** - Recommends approval of all encumbrances of property (mortgages, loans, etc.) and sale of property by congregations. Also advises Administrative Commissions on church closures with regards to property matters. Need people with experience of all areas of property management - real estate, legal, banking, title work, accounting, etc.
- **MINISTRY** – Oversees relations between congregations, ministers and presbytery. Oversees Commissioned Pastors, examining minister members for membership in the presbytery, leads sessions/congregations through pastoral transitions, oversees education regarding the Board of Pensions, advocates for Certified Christian Educators, visits regularly with sessions and ministers, conflict resolution when necessary. (3 Year Term and can be renewed)
- **PERMANENT JUDICIAL COMMISSION** – Acts on judicial matters referred to it by the presbytery in accordance with the Book of Order. (One 6 Year Term)
- **PERSONNEL** – Oversees presbytery staff, evaluates staff effectiveness in helping presbytery reach its goals. (3 Year Term and can be renewed)
- **PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY** – Oversees inquirers and candidates for the ministry – both ordained and commissioned. (3 Year Term and can be renewed)
- **RESPONSE TEAM** – Responds to and adjudicates complaints of misconduct within the presbytery and its congregations. (3 Year Term and can be renewed 2 times)

If you feel a sense of call to one of the following committees/ opportunities/ subcommittees that are nominated by General Council and elected by the presbytery for service, and you are not currently serving, please indicate your interest below. Please understand that committee nominations are balanced by region, gender, skills, and minister/elder status.

- **REPRESENTATION** – Provides nominees for vacancies in presbytery and its committees. Ensures that all persons/groups are represented in the governing structure of our presbytery.
- **SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION TO EXAMINE INQUIRERS AND CANDIDATES** – On behalf of PSEI this group will examine between the regular meetings of the Presbytery when there are extraordinary circumstances.
- **ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION FOR CHURCH CLOSINGS** – Oversees all the steps of closing a church while working with the congregation to ensure that their remaining resources continue on in mission and ministry in other congregations.
- **ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION FOR CHURCH DISMISSALS** – Oversees all the steps of dismissing a church to another Reformed denomination while fulfilling fiduciary responsibility on behalf of the PC(USA).

If you feel a sense of call to the following additional opportunity that does NOT require election by the presbytery for service and you are not currently serving, please indicate your interest below. Please understand that committee nominations are balanced by region, gender, skills, and minister/elder status.

- **PRESBYTERY WORSHIP PLANNING TEAM** – Plan and recruit leaders for assembly worship.

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