

PRESBYTERY OF SAN FERNANDO

Guidelines for Receiving Ordained Ministers of the Word and Sacrament

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All Ministers of the Word and Sacrament applying for membership into the Presbytery of San Fernando shall have an interview with the Committee on Ministry's Interview Sub-Committee. The purpose of the interview is to get to know the Minister applying for membership as well as to share with the applicant the ministry and mission of the Presbytery. The interview will include an examination of the applicant's prepared Statement of Faith. Upon the Interview Sub-Committee's concurrence with the applicant's request, the Committee on Ministry will vote on recommending the applicant to the Presbytery for examination to be received into membership.

- 1) Ministers of the Word and Sacrament applying for membership into the Presbytery of San Fernando shall have a validated call as defined in G-11.0408 and by the *Criteria for Validating Ministries in the Presbytery of San Fernando* (adopted 9/27/2005).
- 2) A Minister of the Word and Sacrament may apply for membership into the Presbytery of San Fernando as a Member-at-Large as defined in G-11.0406b. Ordinarily Members-at-Large will be encouraged to become a Parish Associate of a congregation within the Presbytery (cf. G- 11.0406b).
- 3) A Minister of the Word and Sacrament who in Honorably Retired may apply for membership into the Presbytery of San Fernando (G-11.0421b).