

FEBRUARY 2021



FULL GOSPEL CHURCH OF GOD

LAY PASTOR APPLICATION FORM

NAME OF APPLICANT:

LAY PASTOR

APPLICATION FORM TO THE MINISTRY OF THE FULL GOSPEL CHURCH OF GOD IN SOUTHERN AFRICA

This rank in the ministry of the Church is subject to the recommendation of the Regional Council and is granted, at the discretion of the Executive Council, to workers in rural areas who have served the Church in ministerial capacity for a minimum of SIX years. The worker may not necessarily possess formal Theological qualifications, but must demonstrate outstanding ministry skills with success.

The worker shall be encouraged to engage in Theological studies while in service, for personal upliftment and possible change of status to that of Ordained Minister.

Recommendation for appointment to the status of Lay Pastor shall be made to the Executive Council by the respective Regional Management Committee.

- i. This form is to be completed personally by the applicant after he/she has read it through carefully. Applicants must complete all questions in full, failing which the application will not be forwarded to the Executive Council.
- ii. This application form must be accompanied by a recent photograph of the applicant and that of his/her spouse, if married.
- iii. Incorrect information, or the withholding of any relevant information, can lead to the immediate disqualification for any further consideration.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

1. PERSONAL DETAILS

- 1.1 Surname :
- Full Firstnames :
- Gender :Nationality :
- 1.2 Permanent Residential Address:.....
- 1.3 Postal Address :
- 1.4 Identity Number :
- 1.5 Telephone Number: (Code :)HW
E- mail Address.....
- 1.6 Age : Date of Birth :

- 1.7 Are you married ? (If so enclose copy of marriage certificate)
- 1.7.1 If married, do you and your husband/wife live together?
- 1.7.2 Full Names of husband/wife:
- 1.7.3 Date of birth of husband/wife:
- 1.7.4 Are you engaged to be married ?
- 1.7.5 Are you a widow/widower ?
- 1.7.6 Have you ever been divorced ?
- 1.7.7 Has your husband/wife ever been divorced ?
- 1.7.8 Do you have children ? Kindly indicate number :
- Ages :
- 1.8 What is the condition of your health ?
- 1.8.1 Do you use any medication and if so, for what condition and what period of time ?
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- 1.8.2 What is the condition of your husband/wife and children's health ?
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- 1.9 Are you and your spouse total abstainers from alcohol, tobacco and habit forming drugs ?
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- 1.10 Are you at present under discipline of any church organisation ?
- 1.11 Have you ever been placed under discipline by any church organisation ?
- 1.12 Have you ever been found guilty of any criminal or civil offence in a Court of Law ?
- If so give details
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- 1.13 Have you ever held any leadership position in secular life ?
- If so, give details :
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2. MINISTRY AND ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

2.1 When did you receive a calling to Christian service ?

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Describe what you understand by the term "calling" and the circumstances under which you received your calling :

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2.2 How would you rate your knowledge of the Word of God ?

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2.3 What is your highest educational qualification ?

3. RELIGIOUS BACKGROUND

3.1 When were you born again ?

3.2 In what circumstances ?

3.3 Have you since backslidden ?

3.3.1 If so, when were you restored ?

3.4 Have you been baptised in water by submersion ?

3.4.1 Place Date/...../.....

3.4.2 By which mode, single or triple immersion ?

3.5 Have you received the baptism of the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking in tongues according to Acts 2:4 ?

3.6 Give the name of the local church and regional council to which you relate and under whose jurisdiction you serve :

Assembly Region

3.7 How long have you been a member of the Full Gospel Church of God ?

3.8 How long have you been leading your present assembly ?

3.9 Name other assembly where you were the leader and the period of leadership ?

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- 3.10 Do you subscribe to the necessity for the operation of the Holy Spirit in your ministry ?

- 3.11 Do you accept that the speaking in other tongues is the initial evidence of the baptism in the Holy Spirit ?

- 3.12 Do you subscribe to the principle of divine healing in your ministry as advocated in the scriptures?

- 3.13 Do you believe in the rapture of the Church ?
- 3.13.1 If yes, where do you place it eschatologically (study of the end-times) ?
- 3.14 Do you subscribe to fasting and prayer as part of your commitment?

4. YOUR WIFE/HUSBAND

- 4.1 How long is she/he a member of the Full Gospel Church ?
- 4.2 When did she/he come to salvation ?
 Place : Date :/...../.....
- 4.3 Has your wife/husband been baptised in water by immersion ?.....
 Place : Date :/...../.....
- 4.3.1 By which mode, triple or single immersion ?.....
- 4.4 Has your wife/husband received the baptism of the Holy Spirit with the initial evidence of speaking in other tongues according to Acts 2:4 ?
- 4.5 What is your wife/husband's attitude regarding your ministry ?

- 4.6 Does your wife/husband have a personal calling to work for the Lord ?

5. GENERAL

5.1 Are you willing to support the full programme of the Church as set forth in the Constitution with special reference to Article 9 Section 5 of the By-Laws ?

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5.2 Are you intending to qualify yourself through further study ?.....

5.3 Do you accept church authority and discipline ?

5.4 Are you prepared to attend seminars/refresher courses that are presented from time to time ?

6. DECLARATION BY APPLICANT

I the undersigned solemnly declare that I have studied the foregoing information and fully understand the contents thereof and that I have answered the questions to the best of my ability and that the information furnished by myself is true and correct.

SIGNATURE :(applicant)

.....(spouse)

SIGNED BEFORE ME AT

ON THISDAY OF20.....

SIGNATURE :

REGIONAL OVERSEER :

DATE OF PHOTOGRAPH :

DOCUMENTS ENCLOSED :

1. Copy of Marriage Certificate
2. Photo (date)
3. Copy of first page of identity document
4. Regional Recommendation