GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH MIDSOUTH

Historical Questions Asked at Ordination

Individuals seeking ordination will be evaluated by the MidSouth Board of Ministry based upon their answers related to the historic questions:

Do they know God as pardoning God? Have they the love of God abiding in them? Do they desire nothing but God? Are they holy in all manner of conversation?

Have they gifts, as well as evidence of God's grace, for the work? Have they a clear, sound understanding; a right judgment in the things of God; a just conception of salvation by faith? Do they speak justly, readily, clearly?

Have they fruit? Have any been truly convinced of sin and converted to God, and are believers edified by their service? As long as these marks occur in them, we believe that they are called of God to serve. These we receive as sufficient proof that they are moved by the Holy Spirit.

(1) Have you faith in Christ?
(2) Are you going on to perfection?
(3) Do you expect to be made perfect in love in this life?
(4) Are you earnestly striving after perfection in love?
(5) Are you resolved to devote yourself wholly to God and to God's work?
(6) Do you know the General Rules of our Church?
(7) Will you keep the General Rules of our Church?
(8) Have you studied the doctrines of the Global Methodist Church?
(9) After full examination do you believe that our doctrines are in harmony with the Holy Scriptures?
(10) Will you preach and maintain them?
(11) Have you studied our form of church discipline and polity?
(12) Do you approve our church government and polity?
(13) Will you support and maintain them?
(14) Will you exercise the ministry of compassion? Go to Previous Page 2024 Book of Doctrines and Discipline 69
(15) Will you diligently instruct the children in every place?
(16) Will you visit from house to house?
(17) Will you recommend fasting or abstinence, both by precept and example?
(18) Are you determined to employ all your time in the work of God?
(19) Are you in debt so as to embarrass you in your work?
(20) Will you observe the following directions?
(a) Be diligent. Never be unemployed. Never be triflingly employed. Never trifle away time; neither spend any more time at any one place than is strictly necessary.
(b) Be punctual. Do everything exactly at the time.
(c) And do not mend our rules, but keep them; not for wrath, but for conscience' sake.

To learn more about ordination questions & preparation, visit the Book of Doctrines & Discipline ¶508-510 beginning on page 68.

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