

Smyser Christian Church
Questionnaire for Ministerial Candidate

Doctrine

- 1) Do you believe the Bible to be the inspired word of God, and do you accept it as the absolute authority? Are you willing to stand on that regardless of whether or not it is popular?
- 2) What do you believe about Jesus Christ, the resurrection, the virgin birth, blood atonement, trinity of the God Head, justification by faith and not works, literal heaven or hell, what happens to Christians after death?
- 3) What do you believe about Satan and his demons?
- 4) Give a brief description of the plan of salvation.
- 5) What is the purpose of the church?
- 6) Where do you stand in relation to the restoration movement?
- 7) What does the scripture say about the role of women in today's New Testament church?
- 8) Please give your beliefs about the governing structure of the church. Why do you answer this way?
- 9) What is the Elder's role in today's New Testament church?
- 10) What is the Deacon's role in today's New Testament church?
- 11) Do you agree with Smyser Christian Church's position as an undenominational church, belonging to no human denomination, organization, or ecclesiastical system? Why do you answer this way?

Personal

- 1) Please give a brief history of your Christian life.
- 2) With what ministries have you been involved and where were they? May we contact them on your performance as a minister there? Where were you located...urban or rural...church size...with what age groups were you involved?
- 3) Please describe your daily walk with the Lord.
- 4) If applicable, please describe where your wife and children are in their walk with the Lord.
- 5) As a minister, what are your favorite duties? Which duties are your least favorite?
- 6) With which age groups are you most comfortable working and why?
- 7) Of the various roles of the minister, (preaching, teaching, evangelism, counseling, administration, leadership, visitations, and perhaps others as designated by the Elders) which ones do you consider to be your strengths...weaknesses? Why do you answer this way?
- 8) Explain in detail why you are contemplating leaving your current ministry?
- 9) What is your salary expectation here at Smyser Christian Church? What benefits do you expect?
- 10) What kind of vision do you have for today's New Testament Church? How does this vision apply here at Smyser?
- 11) The following is a list of the ministries currently functioning at Smyser: Missions, Discipleship Training, Junior Church, Youth Groups, Adult Bible Study, Nursery, Men's Bible Study, Women's Bible Study, Prayer Warriors, "39'ers" Fellowship. How would you use your experience to facilitate their growth and continued service to the community?