**Local Pastor and Local Church Board Recommendation**

**for granting a new or a renewal District Minister’s License\***

*\*(other than those serving as Sr. Pastor)*

**Florida District Church of the Nazarene**

*The local church carries a vital role in the process of licensing ministers. A minister cannot receive a District Minister’s License without the recommendation of the pastor and church board (or District Advisory Board in the case of a District Licensed Minister serving as pastor). The recommendation of the local church pastor and board is invaluable to the Ministerial Credentials Board. It is in the context of the local church where the minister lives his or her life and exercises their gifts for ministry.*

*While there are many areas that a local church may wish to examine, the questions below are of interest to the Florida District Board of Ministry. Thoughtful consideration of the following questions is greatly appreciated. Please know, any information provided below will be held in the strictest confidence. This form may be filled in using MS Word (using the mouse); or print and handwrite. Just fill-in the yellow-shaded areas, and mark the boxes. Email the completed form to the District Secretary (contact information below).*

**\*This form NOT for recommending Sr. Pastor. The District Advisory Board makes that recommendation.**

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| **Name of Candidate:** |  |
| **Name of Church:** |  |

**New District License Candidate**

**Renewal District License Candidate**

**Serving in the local Church as: Serving in another ministry as:**

**Executive Pastor (not Sr. Pastor) (PSV)  General Assignment (GMC)**

**Youth Pastor (PSV)  Registered Evangelist (EVR)**

**Children’s Pastor (PSV)  Song Evangelist (SER)**

**Discipleship Pastor (PSV)  Special Assignment (SPC)**

**Visitation / Pastoral Care (PSV)  Educational Assignment (EDU)\***

**Evangelism Pastor (PSV) \***(in a Nazarene University/ Seminary)

**Christian Education Minister (CED-PSV)  Unassigned (UA)**

**Worship Pastor/ Music Minister (PSV)  Student (STU)** (Nazarene Univ./ Sem.)

1. **Does the candidate have a clear testimony of salvation?** Yes No
2. **Does the candidate have a clear testimony of sanctification?** Yes No
3. **Is the candidate loyal to the local church body and amenable to leadership?** Yes No
4. **Does the candidate understand and accept the doctrine and polity of the Church of the Nazarene?** Yes No
5. **Does the candidate demonstrate loyalty to the Church of the Nazarene?** Yes No
6. **Does the candidate participate in district and/or denominational ministries?** Yes No
7. **Is the candidate a faithful tither?** Yes No
8. **Is the candidate’s character reflective of a holy life?** Yes No
9. **In your judgment, does the candidate have a clear call of God?** Yes No

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*If an explanation is needed for any of the above questions, please provide the additional information below. Please reference the question # to which the comment pertains.*

**How has the candidate demonstrated his or her call to ministry during this past year?**

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**Is there any additional information that the Board of Ministry needs to know?**

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**Please indicate below, what is the employment status of the minister being recommended. This is important information for the minister’s record of service.**

**Candidate is Full-time** *(to be considered Full-Time one must work 30+ hours per week & earn at least 51% of their income from the church/ ministry. Use chart below to determine hours worked as full-time.)*

**Candidate is Part-time** *(works less than 30 hours per week, paid or not paid (volunteer), but may work another job for pay. Use chart below to determine hours worked as part-time.)*

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| **(Weekly Hours)** |  | **(Number of Weeks)** |  | **(Annual Hours)** |
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| **Candidate is a Student**,if attending a Nazarene College: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | | | | | |

**At a duly called meeting of the Church Board on (date) [ ] / [ ] / [ ], it was approved**

**to recommend** (candidate name)[ ] **for a [ ] new [ ] renewal of district minister’s license.**

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| **Signature of Pastor:** |  | **Date:** |  |

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| **Signature of Board Secretary:** |  | **Date:** |  |

*The above signatures certify that this action was taken at a duly called Church Board meeting.*

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