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Durham District- Middleburg Methodist Church

Ethnicity- Caucasian

Share your testimony of coming to faith and salvation in Jesus Christ.

I grew up in the Methodist faith and gave myself to Jesus at a young age. In my twenties I fell away into sin and depravity. After I almost lost my life I sought His forgiveness, and by His grace He welcomed me back home like the prodigal son. God never causes us to sin, but He will allow us the free will to go our own way. I praise Him daily that I answered the call of His prevenient grace and returned to His loving embrace.

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Describe your ministry in the name of Jesus Christ.

I am a Lay Minister in the Church: While in the UMC I completed all the required courses as a Lay Speaker. I have frequently been called upon to fill our local pulpit in the absence of our Pastor. I also lead the music every Sunday as the Pianist. I'm Chair of our Administrative Council and our Local Historian. I've also taught Sunday School and Wednesday Night Bible Study. I was in charge of processing our disaffiliation from the UMC.

Service in the General Conference is a special task. Explain your understanding of this task.

The General Conference is, or will be, the highest law making body of the GMC. The first task before us is to convene the the General Conference into existence; officially establishing the The Global Methodist Church as a Denomination. From there, with much prayer and guidance of the Holy Spirit, we will begin to officially establish our Doctrines, Disciplines, and Administrative Procedures.

What gifts/strengths/passions/talents do you bring to the building up and organizing of the Global Methodist Church?

I'm passionate in my practice of daily Bible Study and Prayer, and in the historically traditional interpretation of Scripture. I've been a church pianist for 50 years; music is how I best communicate my emotions and praise God. I'm a stickler for the details and have decades of experience in Administration within the Church Council, and the secular world as a Supervisor and Manager. I'm a United States Navy veteran, so I'm disciplined to work well within a team and in a higharchical organizational structure.

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Do you agree to fast and pray for your role and the delegation to the General Conference? Yes

Do you attend worship at your church at least 3 out of 4 Sunday's a month? Yes

Are you a part of a small group, Sunday School class or band? Yes

Are you involved in Christian missions at least once a month? Yes

Do you pray regularly for your church, pastor, and members? Yes

Do you give a full tithe to the church of your membership? Yes

Do you uphold and agree with the Doctrinal Standards of the GMC as stated in Part 1 of the Transitional Book of Doctrines and Discipline? Yes

Do you uphold and agree with the Social Witness of the GMC as stated in Part 2 of the Transitional Book of Doctrines and Discipline? Yes

If elected will you agree to represent Jesus Christ and uphold the integrity of the GMC NC PAC? Yes

Do you have a current U.S. Passport? Yes

In order to serve, will you be available to travel to Costa Rica from September 19-27, 2024 and attend online meetings ahead of the conference? Yes

Are you willing and able to bear some of the cost for attendance to serve in this capacity? Yes

I once again affirm that I satisfy the requirements to be a delegate to the Convening General Conference of the Global Methodist Church. Yes

I consent for my answers to be published on the NCPAC website. Yes