

ELDER CHECKLIST

MINISTERIAL AND SPIRITUAL FORMATION LEADING TO ORDINATION AS ELDER

| | | Completed | Date |
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| Minimum 2 years' service as deacon | | | |
| 10 additional courses | Course work or degree | | |
| History of Christianity through the Reformation | | | |
| History of Christianity, Reformation to the present | | | |
| Apologetics | | | |
| Wesleyan Discipleship and Spiritual Formation | | | |
| Christian Leadership and Conflict Resolution | | | |
| An additional Old Testament Class | | | |
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| Ministry of The Holy Spirit | | | |
| Elective* | | | |
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| Any additional BOM requirements | Some require additional submissions | | |
| Ordination interview with BOM | Historic Questions | | |
| Approvals | 2/3 BOM | | |
| | 2/3 Elders in Clergy Executive Session | | |
| | Bishop | | |
| Ordination as elder | | | |

*Elective Courses may be chosen from among the following areas:

- Mission of the Church and Church Renewal
- Cross Cultural Ministry and Evangelism
- Advanced Preaching
- Hebrew or Greek language studies
- Pastoral Counseling
- Church Finance and Administration
- Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) in a hospital or similar setting
- Philosophy of Religion
- Field Study in Israel
- Theology Electives
- Theology of Worship
- Children or Youth Ministry
- Gospel Vision for Justice
- Media and Modern Applications
- Directed Internship or independent study