

***All information submitted on the Stephen Minister Application will be held in strict confidence. The Stephen Ministry leaders at Unity Presbyterian Church will have access to confidential information contained in the volunteer applications and/or records of volunteers serving the organization. We agree that we shall not disclose any such confidential information to any unauthorized person. All such information is private and confidential and only to be used in the Stephen Ministry Program.***

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
First Middle Last

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (work) \_\_\_\_\_ (mobile) \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

1. Describe why you are interested in becoming a Stephen Minister.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. What spiritual gifts or strengths do you believe God has given you that would help you serve effectively as a Stephen Minister?

3. In what ways do you think you would benefit personally from your training and service as a Stephen Minister?
4. Based on your current understanding of what it means to be a Stephen Minister, what do you think would be difficult or challenging aspects of this role for you?
5. How would people who know you describe the way you relate to others?
6. Are you willing to commit to serve faithfully for a period of no less than two (2) years?  
This includes:
- The initial 50 hours of training; and
  - Regular visits to your care receiver (weekly or a mutually agreed-upon frequency); and
  - Twice-monthly Small Group Peer Supervision
    - Yes
    - No; and
  - Continuing education (10 hours/year)

7. What changes would you need to make in your life in order to fulfill this commitment?

8. Describe briefly your relationship with Jesus Christ.

9. Have you ever been charged with a crime?

Yes

No

*If Yes, explain in detail, using additional paper as needed. Someone from the Stephen Leader Team will speak with you about this so that the team may better understand its significance in your life and ministry.*

10. Do you have any physical limitations that would preclude the use of stairs? Allergic to pets? Driving restrictions?

Yes

No

11. Have you ever received treatment for any emotional or psychiatric problems? If **Yes**, someone from the Stephen Leader Team will speak with you about this so that the team may better understand its significance in your life and ministry.

- Yes
- No

*Note: A great many caregivers have been made stronger in their caregiving ministry through the care they themselves have received, including care from mental health professionals, who have helped many individuals to experience growth and healing. Members of the Stephen Leader Team request this information because they want to be as fully informed as possible about their Stephen Ministers.*

12. Please provide three (3) non-family references and 2 of which are non-Unity members.

a. Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

b. Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

c. Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Mark all available dates you are available for an interview:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Sunday    | __morning | __afternoon | __evening |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Monday    | __morning | __afternoon | __evening |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday   | __morning | __afternoon | __evening |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday | __morning | __afternoon | __evening |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Thursday  | __morning | __afternoon | __evening |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Friday    | __morning | __afternoon | __evening |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday  | __morning | __afternoon | __evening |

***Please read and sign below.***

***The information I have provided in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I agree to participate in Stephen Ministry training and Small Group Peer Supervision, and to function within the boundaries of Stephen Ministry as adopted by the congregation/organization. I give permission for the Stephen Leader(s) to call my references and secure a criminal background check on me. I understand there will be an interview for this position following the application.***

Signature\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_

Please return your completed application in an envelope to the church office marked to the attention of the Stephen Ministry Leaders. Applications accepted now through October 15. Reference checks and interviews ongoing through November. Training begins the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of January 2024.

Any questions regarding this application may be directed to one of the Stephen Leaders:

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