

PASTORAL CALL FOR PASTOR OR ASSOCIATE PASTOR<sup>1</sup>

**Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)  
Albany Presbytery**

The \_\_\_\_\_ PIN \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Church)

of \_\_\_\_\_  
(City/State)

*being well satisfied with your qualification for ministry and confident that we have been led to you by the Holy Spirit as one whose service will be profitable to the spiritual interests of our church and fruitful for the Kingdom of our Lord, earnestly and solemnly calls you,*

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name)

to undertake the office of

\_\_\_\_\_

of this congregation, beginning \_\_\_\_\_, promising you in the discharge of your duty all proper support, encouragement, and allegiance in the Lord.

*That you may be free to devote yourself full-time \_\_\_\_\_ part-time \_\_\_\_\_ (# hours/week) to the ministry of the Word among us, we promise and obligate ourselves to pay you an annual cash salary of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ a year in regular monthly payments. Further, we promise to provide you the following: (Those agreed upon are to be filled in. The numbers correspond to those on the COM New Calls Worksheet.)*

Use of Manse (check) \_\_\_\_\_ Utilities Paid by Church (check) \_\_\_\_\_  
or \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_  
Housing Allowance \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Utilities Allowance \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Optional Furnishings Allowance \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Optional Deferred Compensation \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Optional Expense Allowance (books, etc.) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Pension & Major Medical Payments \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Medical Reimbursement or Supplemental Medical Plan \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Social Security Offset \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Continuing Education \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Travel/Professional Expense Reimbursement \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Moving Costs (check \_\_\_\_\_ Full or \$ \_\_\_\_\_ amount) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Vacation of (time period) \_\_\_\_\_ Study Leave of (time period) \_\_\_\_\_

All calls in Albany Presbytery must provide for the minister's participation in the Continuing Education/Scholastic Leave program.

*The church will pay regularly in advance to the board responsible for pensions a sum equal to that requisite percent of your salary which may be fixed by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) for participation in its pension plan, during the time of your being and continuing in the pastoral relationship set forth in this call to this church. We further promise and obligate ourselves to review with you annually the adequacy of this compensation.*

Ministers in their first parish ministry in Albany Presbytery are required to participate in the Early Ministry Institute of the Synod of the Northeast. We promise to provide adequate time off for participation in this program.

In addition to the above, we will also provide:

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In testimony whereof we have subscribed our names this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ A.D. \_\_\_\_\_.

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Having moderated the congregational meeting which extended a call to: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ for ministerial services, I do certify that the call has been made in all respects according to the rules laid down in the Form of Government, and that the persons who signed the foregoing call were authorized to do so by vote of the \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Moderator of the Meeting

CERTIFICATION OF THE CALL

A. By the Church's Presbytery

1. Action of the Committee on Ministry

The Committee on Ministry has reviewed this call<sup>i</sup>. The Committee recommends that Presbytery approve (not approve) this call.

Date of Action \_\_\_\_\_ Chairperson \_\_\_\_\_

2. Action by the Presbytery

This call was approved by the Presbytery of \_\_\_\_\_.

Date of Action \_\_\_\_\_ Stated Clerk \_\_\_\_\_

B. By the Minister's/Candidate's Presbytery

1. Action of the Committee on Ministry

This call has been reviewed by the Committee on Ministry. The Committee recommends that Presbytery find it expedient (not expedient) to release \_\_\_\_\_ to accept this call.

Date of Action \_\_\_\_\_ Chairperson \_\_\_\_\_

2. Action by the Presbytery

The Presbytery of \_\_\_\_\_ hereby finds it expedient (not expedient) to release \_\_\_\_\_ to accept this call and therefore has placed (has not placed) this call in the minister's/candidate's hands.

Date of Action \_\_\_\_\_ Stated Clerk \_\_\_\_\_

C. Acceptance of the Call

This is to certify that I have received and accepted the call.

Date of Acceptance \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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<sup>i</sup> Prepare 4 copies for the congregational meeting and have them signed by the PNC, candidate and moderator. All 4 signed copies are returned to the Stated Clerk's office for Presbytery action and forwarding to the candidate's presbytery of membership