



Patria Ministries Ordination Application

Reference Form for Pastoral Ordination (Pastor/Elder)

_____ (Insert Applicants Name)
is applying for Ordination with Patria Ministries and has given your name as a reference. We appreciate your prompt response to the following questions and want to assure you that all information received will be treated confidentially. References are very important to the Presbytery in determining the qualifications and character of an applicant. Family members and subordinates (employee/volunteer) are not acceptable as references. To qualify as a reference, you must have known the applicant for at least one year. You may also be asked to provide a short verbal reference by telephone or video conference call.

This reference is submitted by (Your Name)

How long have you personally known the applicant?

What is your relationship with the applicant?

Would you describe the applicant as Very Effective/ Somewhat Effective/ Not Effective in ministry? (Circle one)

Does the applicant work well with others? (Yes or No)

Explain how the applicant deals with conflict.



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Would you say the applicant is living a life that reflects a desire to be like Jesus Christ? (Yes or No)

If you have ever observed the applicant preach/teach, how would you evaluate their ability to preach and/or teach? (Indicate N/A if not observed)

How would you evaluate the applicant's ability to share the Gospel? (Indicate N/A if you are not comfortable answering this question)

Describe the applicant's relationship with their spouse and children (If applicable).

How would you describe the applicant's social skills?

How would you describe the applicant's work ethic?

How would you describe the applicant's leadership skills (Wisdom, Discernment, Responsibility, Vision)?



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Are there any areas of behavior that you are aware of that could hinder the applicant's ability to lead in Christian ministry? (For example: Improper sexual behavior, drunkenness, unethical behavior)

If you were looking to hire someone for ministry with this applicant's skill set, would you hire this candidate or desire the applicant to help during your time of need? (Yes or No) Please explain:

Signed by _____

Date ____ / ____ / ____



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Reference Form for Pastoral Ordination (Friend)

_____ (Insert Applicants Name) is applying for Ordination with Patria Ministries and has given your name as a reference. We appreciate your prompt response to the following questions and want to assure you that all information received will be treated confidentially. References are very important to the Presbytery in determining the qualifications and character of an applicant. Family members and subordinates (employee/volunteer) are not acceptable as references. To qualify as a reference, you must have known the applicant for at least one year. You may also be asked to provide a short verbal reference by telephone or video conference call.

This reference is submitted by (Your Name)

How long have you personally known the applicant?

What is your relationship with the applicant?

Would you describe the applicant as Very Effective/ Somewhat Effective/ Not Effective in ministry? (Circle one)

Does the applicant work well with others? (Yes or No)

Explain how the applicant deals with conflict.

If you have a comfortable understanding of Christianity, would you say the



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If you have ever observed the applicant preach/teach, how would you evaluate their ability to preach and/or teach? (Indicate N/A if not observed)

If you have a comfortable understanding of the gospel of Jesus Christ, how would you evaluate the applicant's ability to share the Gospel? (Indicate N/A if you are not comfortable answering this question)

Describe the applicant's relationship with their spouse and children (If applicable).

How would you describe the applicant's social skills?

How would you describe the applicant's work ethic?

How would you describe the applicant's leadership skills (Wisdom, Discernment, Responsibility, Vision)?



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Are there any areas of behavior that you are aware of that could hinder the applicant's ability to lead in Christian ministry? (For example: Improper sexual behavior, drunkenness, unethical behavior)

If you were looking to hire someone for ministry with this applicant's skill set, would you hire this candidate or desire the applicant to help during your time of need? (Yes or No)

Please explain:

Signed by _____

Date ____ / ____ / ____