

**SCHOOL FOR LAITY AND
COMMISSIONED LAY PASTOR TRAINING PROGRAM
APPLICATION FORM
2008-2009**

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE #: HOME _____ WORK _____

FAX AND/OR E-MAIL _____

CHURCH: _____

ELDER _____ DEACON _____ OTHER _____

**I plan to participate in the:
(Please mark the appropriate one)**

_____ **School for the Laity (SL)**
_____ **Commissioned Lay Pastor (CLP)**
_____ **Undecided**

_____ 2008 Spring (Morganton)

March	15	Bible and Church History (<i>Lamar Williamson & James Aydelotte</i>)
April	5	Bible and Church History (<i>Lamar Williamson & James Aydelotte</i>)
(Date Change)	12	Bible and Church History (<i>Donald Price & James Aydelotte</i>)
May	3	Worship and Church History (<i>Dick Lonnee & James Aydelotte</i>)
	17	Church Music
		Graduation Celebration for 2006-2008 class

**Preaching, Pastoral Care, Worship, Polity, and Ministry will be offered
during 2008-2009.**

*FALL RETREAT: September 5-6, 2008, William Black Lodge
Tentative Fall Schedule: October 4 & 18; November 1 & 15; and December 6.*

Make checks payable to Presbytery of WNC and return to: PWNC
SL/CLP Program
114 Silver Creek Road
Morganton, NC 28655

_____ I will attend the retreat at William Black Lodge in Montreat on September 5th and 6th and participate in the Fall quarter. My \$45.00 tuition is enclosed, as well as, \$55.00 for the retreat. I realize that tuition covers the basic text and that additional books may be selected.

_____ I will attend the Fall Quarter, but cannot attend the Retreat. My \$45.00 tuition is enclosed. I realize that tuition covers the basic text and that additional books may be selected.

4. What is your employment, home and/or retirement background?

5. What is your educational background? (Formal and/or informal)

6. What other things would you like to tell us about yourself that would be important and helpful for us to know?

7. If the class meets your expectations/hopes, what would most excite you about this educational experience? (Personal or otherwise)

8. Write a few paragraphs highlighting your faith journey.

**PRESBYTERY OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA
SCHOOL FOR LAITY
COMMISSIONED LAY PASTOR TRAINING PROGRAM**

SESSION'S ENDORSEMENT

The Session of _____
at its meeting on _____ endorsed our member(s)

_____ to participate in the School for Laity/Commissioned Lay Pastor Training Program.

In making this endorsement, we agree to support the applicant during his/her training through one or more of the following ways:

- Provide encouragement and prayerful support.
- Realize that the person may not have the same amount of time to devote to specific church activities and allow the person to adjust church responsibilities.
- If necessary, provide financial help with the cost of the training and the resources required, (transportation cost, text books, etc.)
- Invite the participant to share with the pastor and/or session the experience after the first year.

This program is designed for persons who would like more study in the Biblical, theological and practical aspects of our faith and ministry. It is hoped that this person's knowledge can be shared to strengthen the ministry of your church.

The program is also for those interested in becoming Commissioned Lay Pastors. The Session understands that the entrance into this program is only the first step for someone who wants to be a Commissioned Lay Pastor. If the person decides to pursue a Commissioning, the Session's recommendation will be very important. To pursue this choice, the person will have to be an ordained elder. The application for this position takes place only after the applicant has successfully completed the training process and has received a call from a church.

Please return this form to the Presbytery office no later than August 15, 2008.

Presbytery of Western North Carolina
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