

CANDIDATE SEEKING A CALL (CSC)

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1. TYPES OF POSITIONS

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| <u> </u> Associate Pastor (Christian Education) | <u> </u> Pastor (Tent Maker/Part-time) | <u> </u> Other |
| <u> </u> Associate Pastor (Youth) | <u> x </u> Pastor (Yoked/Multiple) | |
| <u> </u> Associate Pastor (Other) | <u> </u> Co-Pastor | |
| <u> x </u> Pastor (Solo) | <u> </u> Designated Pastor | |
| <u> </u> Pastor (Head of Staff) | <u> </u> Mission Pastor | |
| <u> </u> Pastor (New Church Development) | <u> </u> Campus Minister | |
| <u> </u> Pastor (Redevelopment) | <u> </u> Chaplain | |

2. TYPES OF COMMUNITIES & CHURCH SIZES

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| <u> x </u> Rural | <u> </u> Urban | <u> x </u> Under 100 members |
| <u> x </u> Village | <u> </u> Inner City | <u> x </u> 101-250- members |
| <u> x </u> Town | <u> </u> College | <u> </u> 251-400 members |
| <u> x </u> Small City | <u> </u> Recreation | <u> </u> 401-650 members |
| <u> </u> Suburban | <u> </u> Retirement | <u> </u> 651-1000 members |
| | | <u> </u> 1001-1500 members |
| | | <u> </u> 1501 + |

3. RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE (List most recent first)

| Church/Agency | City/State | Position | Dates | Part/Full Time |
|---|-----------------|--------------------|-------------|----------------|
| Rosa Parks Museum/Troy University(while completing undergrad studies) | Montgomery, Al. | Tour guide | 2006-2009 | Part |
| First Presbyterian Church | Wetumpka, Al. | Christian Educator | 1999 - 2009 | Full |
| First Presbyterian Church | Wetumpka, Al. | Lay Pastor | 1987 - 2009 | Part |
| First National Bank | Wetumpka, Al. | Teller | 1992 - 1999 | Full |
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4. LIST THE 10 PRIMARY SKILL CHOICES FROM THE PERSONAL INFORMATION FORM:

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| <u>Preaching</u> | <u>Development of New Educational Experiences</u> |
| <u>Teaching</u> | <u>Youth Ministry</u> |
| <u>Pastoral Care</u> | <u>Older Adult Ministry</u> |
| <u>Spiritual Development</u> | <u>Community Ministries</u> |
| <u>Leadership Development</u> | <u>Instrumental Music</u> |

5. FORMAL EDUCATION (List most recent first)

| Institution | City/State | Major | Dates | Degree |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Columbia Theological Seminary | Decatur, Ga. | Master of Divinity | 2009 - 2012 | M. Div |
| Troy University | Montgomery, Al. | History | 2006 - 2009 | B.S. History |
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6. SEMINARY HONORS/SCHOLARSHIPS/LEADERSHIP POSITIONS:

Member of choir, Dance team, Earth Covenant Ministries, part time work for United Methodist Children's Home, PCUSA grant.

7. GEOGRAPHICAL LIMITATIONS:

None

8. BRIEFLY INTRODUCE YOURSELF:

I have been a member of the PCUSA for thirty years. During this time I have been blessed to receive God's grace and guidance leading me on my faith journey that continues today. While working in the church as elder, PW leader, teacher, youth leader, and choir member as I was raising my three children, I found encouragement to become even more involved in service to our Lord. My Christian Education and Lay Pastor training only made me more aware that I was experiencing a call to seminary. For the past two years while in seminary I have continued to find affirmation in this call to go out and tell the good news about God and to share God's love with others. As my life continues to be redirected, I am happy to share the gospel message and look forward to leading teaching, worshipping, and growing together with the faith community God has in mind for me. My History studies during undergrad work as preparation for seminary brought to my attention the ongoing need in society for reconciliation and God's mission to those in need. I consider myself as a tool for the work of God's righteousness. To me, the church is a place where all people can come to learn of their identity as a child of God. The church is a gateway to heaven, and exists so that God's people can respond to God's invitation to come into worship and be fed spiritually. In a world where there is sometimes no room for failure, God reaches out to those who need to know God, be in relationship with God and each other in a faith community to find renewal and empowerment to live as God's people in the world.

