

# Journey to Becoming a...

Coming October 31, 2025



## Discernment

Discernment can look many different ways. The PLM Handbook defines it as, “a person perceives an inward call seeking an outward expression: a desire to express their faith in a focused and committed public way.”



## Pastoral Endorsement

Schedule time with your pastor to talk about your interest. They can then provide you with an endorsement letter. You will then send this letter along with your application to the PLM oversight committee.



## Educational Requirements

There are a number of ways to complete the training requirements: School of Lay Ministry, Pastoral, Colleges. Training requirements can be found on the training record.



## Table Talk

When all training is complete, the candidate, along with their pastor, are required to participate in a “table talk” This is to discuss the handbook, program policies and plans of the PLM.



## Approval

Once you have finished your training record, and attended a Table Talk, submit your application to the oversight committee for approval.



## Commissioning

Once you receive your final approval, a date will be set for your commissioning by your Pastor.

**Go out and make disciples...**



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