# Advisory Consultation Form on Limited Itineracy

**Eastern Pennsylvania Conference The United Methodist Church**

All parties in the appointment-making process are called to work in covenant to assist every local church in “making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.” One part of the covenant of itinerant ministry guarantees an appointment for every elder, elder-track person, and associate member in good standing. The covenant does not, nor should it, guarantee or promise any particular salary (except that of minimum salary), location, size of church or worship attendance.

It is sometimes necessary that the seriousness of other covenants we have made (marriage, parenting, elder care etc.) of necessity must be kept in balance with the commitment to itinerate. If this is the case for you in the ensuing appointment year, please complete the remainder of this form to advise the Bishop and Cabinet of the same and return a signed copy to the district office by November 15, 2019.

During the appointment year 2019-2020, my covenant to areas indicated below needs to be considered

*above* my covenant to itinerate:

([ ] ) Family. Please explain.

Click or tap here to enter text.

([ ] ) Marriage. Please explain.

Click or tap here to enter text.

([ ] ) Parenting. Please explain.

Click or tap here to enter text.

([ ] ) Other. Please explain.

Click or tap here to enter text.

I understand that to honor this, the following may apply:

1. It may not be possible to appoint me within the geography that I have specified.
2. In order to receive an appointment in my preferred geography, I understand I may need to take a reduction in salary.
3. In order to receive an appointment in my preferred geography, I am willing to serve less than full-time and give up a claim on minimum salary for my years of experience.
4. If, for compelling reasons, I must stay within my preferred geography, I understand I may need to take a voluntary leave of absence or a transitional leave if neither a full nor part-time appointment is available.
5. If my salary is reduced due to my staying within my preferred geography, I understand the church’s CRSP DB and DC payments will be reduced by a commensurate rate, which may affect what I receive in pension payments as a retired pastor.

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Signature of Pastor Printed name of Pastor Date

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Signature of District Superintendent Printed name of DS Date