



APPLICATION FOR ELDER

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8/29/2023	Updated Church Logo
8/28/2025	Revised the section "Have you read" Added the WMC's Position on Women in Ministry, added the Missionary Church USA Articles of Faith, revised the section "Edler Qualifications and Duties" to be found in the WMC Bylaws.

Application for Elder

The Elders of Woodburn Missionary Church are prayerfully considering candidates for the Eldership and you are one of those being considered.

Please devote some time to prayerfully consider this calling, discuss it with your wife, and complete the following questionnaire with candor and with the assurance that details of your responses will be kept confidential and restricted to the Elder Body.

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____
Phone: (Home) _____ (Mobile) _____
(Work) _____
Email: _____

Do you desire to serve as an Elder of Woodburn Missionary Church? (Please check one)

_____ YES _____ NO

If you checked "YES," please complete the entire questionnaire. If you checked "NO," there is no need to complete the questionnaire at this time. Please return this page to one of the Elders.

1. Have you read and prayerfully considered the following Scripture and Woodburn Missionary Church documents?

- a. 1 Timothy 3, Titus 1-2, and Acts 20:28
_____ YES _____ NO
- b. Do you agree with WMC's view of women in ministry –
WMC Position on Women in Ministry (See attached PDF)
_____ YES _____ NO
- c. Do you agree with the Missionary Church USA Articles of
Faith? See mcusa.org
_____ YES _____ NO
- d. Eldering Qualifications and Duties –WMC Bylaws & Elder
Job Description (See Attached PDF)
_____ YES _____ NO
- e. Woodburn Missionary Church Core Purpose Statement –
WMC Bylaws (See Attached PDF)
_____ YES _____ NO

2. Is your wife fully supportive of your desire to serve as an Elder of Woodburn Missionary Church?

_____ YES _____ NO

Personal and Family Information

What is your occupation:

Where are you employed: _____ **for**
how many years: _____

Briefly describe your work duties:

How often does your job require you to be away from home overnight?

Date of birth: _____

Marital Status: _____

Number of years married: _____

Have you ever been divorced? _____ If yes, briefly
describe the circumstances:

Have you ever been convicted of a crime? _____ If yes,
briefly describe the circumstances:

Have you ever filed for bankruptcy? _____ If yes, briefly
describe the circumstances:

What fraternal or social organizations have you been involved with:

Please read 1 Timothy 3. Is there anything in your past that we should be aware of or that others may believe we should be aware of?

What is your attitude toward the use of alcoholic beverages, tobacco or other personal habits that may be hurtful to your Christian influence yet are common within our culture?

What is your attitude toward abortion, homosexuality, pornography or other activities that are becoming more common or even legal within our culture?

Family Information

Spouse's Name: _____

What ministries and church activities has your spouse been involved in at Woodburn Missionary Church? (Please list all of them)

What are the names and ages of your children?

Name: _____	Age: _____
Name: _____	Age: _____
Name: _____	Age: _____
Name: _____	Age: _____
Name: _____	Age: _____
Name: _____	Age: _____
Name: _____	Age: _____
Name: _____	Age: _____

Please read Ephesians 5:22-6:4. Does your household support you as leader in the home?

Describe how your marriage is patterned by Biblical principles:

Christian Experience

Briefly describe how you became a Christian:

How long have you been a Christian: _____

When were you baptized as a believer: _____

How long have you been a member of Woodburn Missionary Church: _____

What ministries and church activities have you been involved in at Woodburn Missionary Church? (Please list all of them)

Briefly describe your previous church background and your involvement at each:

Briefly describe the practice and frequency of your time in prayer and in the Word of God:

Spiritual Gifts

Which of the following spiritual gifts do you believe you have been given? (See Romans 12:3-8; 1 Corinthians 12:1-12; Ephesians 4:11-12; 1 Peter 4:10-11)

<input type="checkbox"/> Administration	<input type="checkbox"/> Discernment	<input type="checkbox"/> Evangelism
<input type="checkbox"/> Exhortation	<input type="checkbox"/> Faith	<input type="checkbox"/> Giving
<input type="checkbox"/> Knowledge	<input type="checkbox"/> Leadership	<input type="checkbox"/> Mercy
<input type="checkbox"/> Shepherding	<input type="checkbox"/> Prophecy	<input type="checkbox"/> Service
<input type="checkbox"/> Teaching	<input type="checkbox"/> Wisdom	

Do you feel you are capable of leading people to Christ?

Do you have any philosophical or theological differences with the general direction or teachings of Woodburn Missionary Church?

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____

Please return this completed questionnaire to:
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