

RESOURCES FOR MENTORS

PHASES OF MINISTRY

- Experiencing a Call to Ministry “how to know”
- Years 5-8 Expectations “yearn to learn”
- Years 13-15 Rumbblings, wounds, and wrestling “Do I want to keep doing this?”
- Years 20-25 Legacy “How do I finish well?”

BOOKS

[*Calling & Character: Virtues of the Ordained Life*](#) by William Willimon

[*The Power of the Call*](#) by Henry Blackaby & Henry Brandt

[*The Call of a Lifetime: How to Know if God is Leading You to the Ministry*](#) by Keith Drury

[*Flourishing in Ministry: How to Cultivate Clergy Wellbeing*](#) by Matt Blume

CONTENT AREAS

LMC-Level Content Areas

At the Local Ministerial Candidate level, satisfactory evidence of mastery in the following content areas will be required:

The Free Methodist Way	Basic Christian Doctrine
History and Polity of the Free Methodist Church	Wesleyan Theology

CMC-Level Content Areas

At the Conference Ministerial Candidate level, satisfactory evidence of mastery in the above LMC-level and the following content areas are required:

Old Testament Survey*	New Testament Survey*	Systematic Theology	Inductive Bible Study/Hermeneutics
Old Testament Elective (i.e., book of the Bible)	New Testament Elective (i.e., book of the Bible)	Personal Formation and Self Care*	Homiletics*
Shepherding, Leadership, and Church Administration*	Congregational Spiritual Formation and Pastoral Care*	Community Engagement, Evangelism, and Justice*	Cross-Cultural Experience*

WEBSITE

[*Flourishing in Ministry*](#)

(research on what motivates pastors to be engaged in ministry; study the emerging trends of how clergy can live into their calling, feel a sense of fulfillment, and feel engaged in a very demanding environment)