



**The United Church of Canada  
L'Église Unie du Canada**

**Ministry Vocations, Ministry and Employment Unit**  
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**Action Recognizing an Inquirer  
by the Governing Body and Presbytery**

*To be used by an individual seeking to be recognized as an inquirer within The United Church of Canada. Completed form is to be forwarded to the presbytery through the governing body of the pastoral charge of which the individual is a member.*

**Individual's Contact Information**

First name	Middle	Last name
Address		City
Province	Postal code	Home phone
E-mail	Other phone	

I, \_\_\_\_\_, request the governing body of \_\_\_\_\_  
(name of pastoral charge) to recognize me as an inquirer to discern a call to ministry in The United Church of Canada. I have attached a letter to the governing body expressing my call to ministry.

I became a member of The United Church of Canada on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_.  
Date Pastoral Charge

I have previously been an inquirer  Yes  No and a candidate  Yes  No for any stream of ministry. If yes, please give dates and locations and provide further information in attached letter.

Individual	Year	Month	Day
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**Distribution**  
 Individual sends original and attached letter to the governing body of the pastoral charge.

**Action of the Governing Body**

The governing body of \_\_\_\_\_ Pastoral Charge in \_\_\_\_\_  
Presbytery recognizes the above-named person as an inquirer. She/he is an active member of this pastoral charge.

Date of membership recorded: Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Month: \_\_\_\_\_ Day: \_\_\_\_\_.

We agree to establish an intentional relationship with this inquirer and to set up a discernment committee to explore their vocation and call. At this time, we have identified the following gifts and abilities in this person:

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We appoint to the discernment committee the following two people:

Name	Complete address	Phone
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and are advised by the inquirer that they are appointing the following person from the pastoral charge to the discernment committee:

Name	Complete address	Phone
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Chair of the governing body

Year

Month

Day

**Distribution**

- The governing body makes a copy for its records and sends the original to the Presbytery Education and Students Committee.*

**Action of Presbytery E&S Committee**

The Education and Students Committee of \_\_\_\_\_  
Presbytery, upon receiving the request of the above-named pastoral charge, agrees to:

1. Appoint one or two people to the discernment committee as follows:

Name	Complete address	Phone
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Name	Complete address	Phone
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2. Train and support the discernment committee.
3. Be available to review the process of the discernment committee or of the governing body should such a request be made by the Inquirer or a member of the pastoral charge or presbytery/district.
4. Act on the recommendation of the governing body to establish a discernment committee and name the presbytery members of that committee. The date on which this form is signed is the starting date of the minimum 12-month inquiry process with the discernment committee.

Presbytery Education and Students Convenor

Year

Month

Day

**Distribution**

- One copy for the Presbytery E&S Committee*
- One copy to the governing body of the pastoral charge*
- One copy to the individual*