

**PRESBYTERY OF CARLISLE COMMISSIONED RULING ELDER APPLICATION
FORM CREP-2 ADMISSION INTERVIEW WITH CPM/COM**

Name of Ruling Elder Applicant _____

The Committee on Preparation for Ministry (CPM) with participation from the Commission on Ministry (COM) will conduct interviews with new applicants to the CRE training process. CPM will ordinarily assemble a team of 3 or 4 people to conduct the interviews. Prior to the interview, team members are asked to review the Applicant's

- Application Form CREP-1A – basic biographical information and discernment questions
- Session Endorsement Form CREP-1B – from the applicant's home church
- Personal Reference Form CREP-1C – from three individual references

Possible Questions for Conversation

- **How has the Lord brought you to this place of sensing God's call to serve at a deeper level?**
- **What contributed to your discernment to applying for this program rather than seek ordination as a Minister of Word and Sacrament?**
- **What gifts has the Lord given you that you believe can be a blessing to the connectional church?**
- **Are there any things that you would like CPM and COM to be aware of that are particular to your circumstance?**
- **Once trained, a CRE is prepared to serve anywhere within the Presbytery of Carlisle. How do you envision yourself serving once you have completed the training?**
- **At which institution do plan to do your coursework?**
- **The call to CRE – like that to MWS – is a three-way sense of call through the individual, the Session of the home church, and the presbytery. ONLY IF APPLICABLE: Your Session has described reservations about endorsing you as a candidate. Please address their concerns.**

Please attach a summary of the conversation along with recommendations for follow-up, if applicable.

Check one: On the date of _____ the CPM/COM Interview Team *has received verbal agreement from the candidate to share all transcripts and feedback with CPM and*

_____ Endorses this applicant for admission to the CRE training program.

_____ Endorses with qualifications this applicant for admission to the
CRE training program (list qualifications on back of this form)

_____ Does NOT endorse this applicant for admission to the CRE training program
for reasons of _____.

For the CPM/COM Interview Team _____

Other Interview Team Members _____
