



# APPLICATION TO BEGIN AS A LAY SPEAKER IN THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

\_\_\_\_\_ DISTRICT OF THE ALABAMA-WEST FLORIDA CONFERENCE

To begin as a Lay Speaker, you must:

1. Complete this application form.
2. Obtain your pastor's and church council's recommendation and signature on this form.
3. Submit this form to your District Director of Lay Speaking.
4. Complete the Basic Course for Lay Speaking
5. Annually file the Lay Speaker's annual report request for certification/renewal.

NAME (Male or Female – Circle One) \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

WORK PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF YOUR CHURCH \_\_\_\_\_ UMC

### **Recommendation of your Senior Pastor:**

I recommend that \_\_\_\_\_ be approved for admission to the Lay Speaking program.

Signature of your senior pastor: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Recommendation of your Church Council or Charge Conference**

The Church Council /Charge Conference of \_\_\_\_\_ UMC  
Recommends this applicant be approved for admission to the Lay Speaker program .

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_, Chairman Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### **SEND THIS COMPLETED FORM TO YOUR DISTRICT DIRECTOR OF LAY SPEAKING MINISTRIES**

### **Approval of the District Committee:**

This applicant, \_\_\_\_\_, is approved / disapproved for admission to the Lay Speaker Program.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

District Director or District Committee Chairman on Lay Speaking Ministries