

## THE ORDAINED DEACON IN FULL CONNECTION, 2004 DISCIPLINE

### **Eligibility Requirements.** (Par. 330, 2004Discipline)

1. Been a Probationary Member of an Annual Conference for at least three years by the time of the Annual Conference Session (Par. 330)
2. Full-time in ministry of service for three years (Par.330.1) as a probationary member under Episcopal appointment and supervision; at least one of the three years being served within the geographical bounds of the S. C. Conference (SCBOM)
3. Receive two-thirds affirmative vote of BOM and Clergy Members in full connection
4. Completed the Continuing Education Covenant Group in Ordained Ministry Program (SCBOMXXIII.G)
5. Supervision during the probationary period with personally assumed or delegated by the district superintendent, and also provided by a Mentor assigned by the BOM
6. Lay persons directly involved in applicant's servant ministry shall be involved by the BOM in the annual evaluation. (Par. 330.1b)

### **Transition for Certified Diaconal Minister to DEACON as of 1/1/97 (Par. 369.3)**

1. Good standing with the annual conference and completed a minimum of **three years** in an approved service appointment.
2. Applied in writing to BOM for the transfer of their credentials to ordained deacon in full connection before 12/31/2004 (Note extended time by 2000 General Conference)
3. Completed a continuing formation and education program developed by the GBHEM
4. Demonstrated an understanding of the call to order of deacon, and whose ministry fulfills and exemplifies the definition and description of the ordained deacon (Pars. 329, 330), and who has either met the educational requirements of the diaconate (Par. 324), or whose competence and experience is determined to be equivalent by the BOM through the Division of Deacons.

#### **Board of Ordained Ministry Application Process for Full Deacon Member**

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Made written application to the Clergy Services/Registrar of BOM (F105)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Satisfactory Physical examination (Form 103) and Criminal Background (07SCBOM)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Submission of a written response to Disciplinary Questions (Par. 330.4); written Contextual Project; and written Bible Study.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Submission of a satisfactory credit worthiness report. (06SCBOM)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Evaluative statement of "gifts and graces" submitted by the DCOM (04SCBOM)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Supervision Report submitted by the District Superintendent (05SCBOM)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Supervision Report submitted by the Mentor (08bSCBOM)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. Interview and recommendation by BOM for ordination
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. Election by the Clergy Session of the Annual Conference in Executive Session
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. Attend Reception into membership at Conference Session and Ordination Service.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 11. Clergy Mentor Report to Associate Registrar for Mentors and Clergy Services
- \_\_\_\_\_ 12. At least three quarter hours or two semester hours in EACH of the following: Black History or Black Studies; Public Speaking or Communication; Women's Studies; Evangelism, and One unit/quarter of Clinical Pastoral Education