**APPLICATION FOR LOCAL MINISTER’S LICENSE**

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Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Married: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Single: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Divorced: Yes\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_No\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If divorced, is there a biblical basis for your divorce (*Manual* 428.3, 429.3)? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*Note: Prior to district licensing, details of said divorce must be submitted to the Jurisdictional General Superintendent for review in accordance with Manual 320. Are you willing to do so?* \_ Yes \_ No

Does your spouse support your call to ministry? \_ Yes \_ No If, no please explain.

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**Use additional sheet(s) as necessary**:

1. Describe your conversion experience: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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2. Are you sanctified? Describe your personal experience of being sanctified wholly: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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3. Describe your devotional life: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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4. How have you come to sense God’s call upon your life? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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5. What gifts do you feel you possess that qualify you for ministry? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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6. In what forms of Christian service have you been engaged? (Please include activities and offices held.)

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7. What ministry role do you want to pursue (pastor, evangelist, missionary, other)? Why? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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8. Are you now, or have you ever been, involved in a court case where charges were brought against you? \_ Yes \_ No

If yes, please explain. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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9. After reading *Manual* Part II, Part III, Part IV, 400-401.6, 426-26.7, and 903 in the *2005-2009 Manual* of the Church of the Nazarene, are you in harmony with the Church of the Nazarene, its doctrines, polity, and practices? \_ Yes \_ No

Please note any questions or differences: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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10. If granted a Local Minister’s License, will you faithfully follow the guidance of your pastor and avail yourself of opportunities to serve the church? \_ Yes \_ No

11. Do you feel God is calling you to full-time ordained ministry? \_ Yes \_ No

12. Will you follow the prescribed Course of Study necessary in the training of a minister in the Church of the Nazarene, as set forth in the *Sourcebook on Ordination*\*and the *Handbook for Christian Ministries\*?* \_ Yes \_ No

13. Are you willing to submit to an appropriate background check in order to work in various ministries within the church? \_Yes \_ No

*Inasmuch as financial integrity is essential for effective ministry, it is necessary to ask the following questions.*

14. Do you (and/or your spouse) carry any financial debts? \_ Yes \_ No

15. Are you current on all debts? \_ Yes \_ No

Describe how you demonstrate financial responsibility? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**APPLICANT’S STATEMENT / RELEASE PERMISSION**

I attest the above information is true and accurate. I also hereby grant permission for the release of any records of my work or personal information for the purpose of informing the General Church, its district leaders, or its boards concerning my progress in and completion of the course requirements and other data as needed. I also authorize any references, churches, or organizations to give you information they may have regarding my character and fitness for ministry work. I release all such references from my liability for any damage that may result from furnishing such evaluations to my local and the General Church of the Nazarene. **I understand that a criminal background check will be submitted. I release the Church of the Nazarene from all liability and damages that may occur from the results of this information.** I understand that all reasonable efforts will be made to hold personal information confidential by the professional church staff.

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Please return this application to the pastor of your local church.**

*(Keep a copy for your records)*