

August 26, 2021

CHARGE CONFERENCE FORMS TRAINING



AGENDA

- Online portal: forms and login information
- Best practices: Ministerial Compensation Form and UMPIP Form
- Updates to online Church Roster
- Review of required "printable" forms
- Marks of Fruitfulness forms

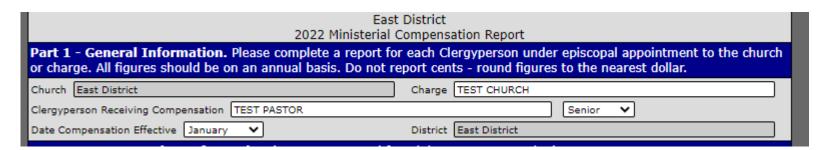
UMC 2016 Book of Discipline

¶ 246. General Provisions—1. Within the pastoral charge the basic unit in the connectional system of The United Methodist Church is the charge conference. The charge conference shall therefore be organized from the church or churches in every pastoral charge as set forth in the Constitution (¶ 43). It shall meet annually for the purposes set forth in ¶ 247. It may meet at other times as indicated in § 7 below.

North Texas Online Portal

- North Texas Annual Conference CAPS (ntcumconline.org)
- Your login and password have been reset to the permanent church GCFA number.
 - It is the unique 6-digit number beginning with a 7 or 9 that is assigned to your church.
 - If you do not know your GCFA number, contact your district office or Shirley Miller at the conference office.

Ministerial Compensation Report-Part 1



- Church will be automatically populated.
- Fill in Charge: First Town/Second Town.
- Fill in Clergyperson's name.
- Select either Senior or Associate from the dropdown menu.
- Select the "Date Compensation Effective" from the dropdown menu.
- The "District" is automatically populated.

Ministerial Compensation Report-Part 2a-Compensation

Part 2 - Compensation Information (See 2021 Journal for Minimum Compensation)		
A. Clergy Compensation Items		
1.	Cash Salary before reductions	
2.	Salary Support (Equitable compensation, New Church, or other annual conference funds)	
3.	Non Accountable Business Allowance (IRS Form 2106 for Expenses Pastor declared for travel, continuing education, etc.)	
4.	Total Base Compensation (Add lines 1-3)	0

- 1. Enter annual cash salary.
- 2. If there is any support for the salary other than the church, enter that annual amount here.
- 3. Non-Accountable Business Allowances-amount paid annually to the pastor without a receipt requirement or documentation.
- 4. Total base compensation part of the Pension Plan Compensation. Calculated Field.

Ministerial Compensation Report-Part 2b-Housing

B. Hou	sing (Not included on Box 1 on W-2. Include on Box 14 of W-2 and note as Clergy Housing.)	
5.	Parsonage: Yes No (If no, enter amount of housing allowance)	
6.	Additional Housing Exclusion paid to pastor (Utilities, other allowable housing expenses) UM parsonage or not	
7.	Utilities paid directly by local church, UM parsonage only	
8.	Total Housing (Add lines 5-7)	0
9.	TOTAL COMPENSATION (Total of lines 4 and 8)	0

- 5. Select Parsonage if "yes." Otherwise, form defaults to "no". If there is no parsonage and there is a housing allowance, enter that amount in this box.
- 6. Additional Housing Exclusion-utilities and other allowable housing related expenses paid directly to the pastor. (Part of the complete salary package.)
- 7. Utilities paid directly by the church. (Part of the complete salary package.)
- 8. Total housing lines 5-7 combined. If the pastor lives in a parsonage, that "value" is not reflected in this total. Calculated field.
- 9. TOTAL COMPENSATION. This total can equal the Pension Plan Compensation IF the pastor is not living in a parsonage. Calculated field.

Ministerial Compensation Report-Salary Reductions Before-Tax

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	e-Tax Salary Reductions (Not included in Box 1 on W-2)	
10.	Wespath UM Personal Investment Plan (UMPIP) before-tax contribution (Include in Box 12 on W-2 code E.) Determine % for before-tax on UMPIP worksheet.	
11.	Participant HealthFlex premium (includes participant contribution on premium, elective vision and dental)	
12.	Conference Spouse/Family HealthFlex premiums*	
13. 14. 15.	*Effective 1/1/2014, reimbursements for insurance plans other than HealthFlex are taxable income and should be included in box 1 of W-2.	
13.	Health Flexible Spending Accounts (See instructions.)	
14.	Dependent Care Flexible Spending Account (See instructions.)	
15.	Health Savings Accounts (See instructions.)	
16.	Total Before-tax Salary reductions (Add lines 10-15.)	0

- All of lines 10-15 are entered as annual amounts and are pre-tax salary reductions.
- Line 10 is related to the UMPIP pension plan and will be discussed when that form is reviewed.
- Lines 11-15 are health insurance salary reductions.
- 11. Extra "costs" above the annual \$11,100 benefit. A pastor may have picked a more expensive plan and/or added dental and vision.
- 12. A pastor's family premium
- 13. A pastor's flexible spending account (FSA). This has an annual limit.
- 14. Dependent care spending account for child care or dependent adult care.
- 15. Health savings account for HSA plans.
- 16. Total Before-tax salary reductions: Calculated field.

Ministerial Compensation Report-Salary Reductions After-Tax

After-1	Tax Salary Reductions (Include in Box 1 on W-2)	
17.	Roth Wespath UM Personal Investment Plan (UMPIP) contribution. Determine % Roth on UMPIP worksheet.	
18.	$ \hbox{After-tax We spath UM Personal Investment Plan (UMPIP) contribution. Determine \% for after-tax on UMPIP worksheet. } \\$	
19.	Total After-tax Salary reductions (Add lines 17 and 18.)	0
20.	CASH SALARY AFTER REDUCTIONS (Line 4 minus line 16 and 19)	0

- Lines 17 and 18 are after-tax salary reductions and both are related to the pastor's UMPIP. Lines 17 and 18 are annual amounts.
- Filling out the UMPIP form will help the pastor determine what amount to enter in either or all of lines 10, 17, and 18 of the Compensation Report.
- Line 20 gives the annual cash salary for the pastor less the reductions. It does NOT include housing but is as stated: Line 4 minus lines 16 and 19. Calculated field.

Ministerial Compensation Report-Part 3-Required Benefits

Part 3	Part 3 - Required Benefits		
	% of Appointment: Full-time O 3/4 O 1/2 O 1/4 O Retired O TBS O		
C1.	Defined Benefits (DB)		
C2.	Defined Contribution (DC) at 3% rate		
c.	Total Pension (CRSP paid by local church) Waive pension?		
D.	Appointee's health insurance premium paid by church		

Required benefits are benefits billed to and paid by the local church and are not considered part of the salary package. They are benefits.

Select the percentage of appointment.

- ¼, Retired, and TBS do not qualify for pension or health insurance.
- ¾ and ½ may enroll or waive pension but do not qualify for health insurance.

Pension

- C1 is the defined benefit which will change based on fulltime, ¾, ½, and waiver.
- C2 is the defined contribution based on the pastor's pension plan compensation (Roman Numeral VIII on the Compensation Report).

Health Insurance

• D is the health insurance available for only fulltime pastors. The annual amount in 2022 is \$11,100.

Ministerial Compensation Report-Part 4-Reimbursable Expenses

Part 4 - Employer Reimbursable Expense Limit 21. Is this plan adopted annually? (Do not include on W-2.) Yes No (BUDGETED BY LOCAL CHURCH FOR PASTOR and paid only upon submission of proper documentation within 60 days of expense.) There is no need to designate the categories of how the reimbursements are used. Using one figure gives the pastor and the congregation some flexibility in how the money is used. The total is not to be exceeded without additional approval by the church council, and if there is money left at the end of the year, it is not to be paid to the pastor.

Reimbursable expenses are part of the annual church budget and adopted at charge conference.

- If you select "yes", you can enter a value. If you choose "no, the field is locked.
- The pastor must submit receipts to the church for these reimbursed expenses within 60 days of incurring the expense.
- These amounts are not included on the W-2 form.
- Any amount not used by the end of the year cannot be paid to the pastor. It can be rolled over into the new year's church budget, if desired.

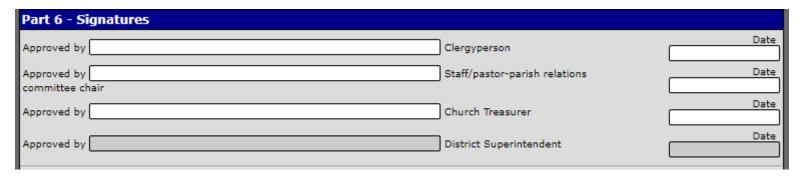
Ministerial Compensation Report-Part 5-Optional Church Benefits

Part 5 - Optional Church Benefits 22. Automobile provided by local church including insurance and maintenance 23. Dependents HealthFlex premiums paid by local church

Lines 22 and 23 are totally optional church expenditures for the pastor that are benefits above and beyond the salary and housing.

- 22. Automobile provided by local church plus incurred expenses.
- 23. Dependent HealthFlex premiums paid by the local church rather than a salary reduction to the pastor.

Ministerial Compensation Report-Part 6-Signatures



- The signatures that are typed in the signature boxes assume all these groups/persons as well as the Charge or Church Conference has approved the compensation report.
- Once all the local church responsible parties have signed the form, contact the district office.
- Once the district office has reviewed the Ministerial Compensation Form, the district will sign the form and it is locked.
- The conference reviews and processes the form after the district has signed it.

Ministerial Compensation Report-District and Conference Office Use

	For District & Conference Office Use (Local churches may complete those portions needed)		
VI.	Conference Relationship		
VII.	Total Base Compensation	0	
VIII.	Pension Plan Compensation (PPC)/Insurance Supplement Eligibility	0	
IX.	Total Compensation for Appointment Workbook	0	
x.	Total Pastoral Cost to Church (salary plus benefits)		

Important to the local church are Roman Numerals VIII and X.

VIII. Pension Plan Compensation- this is the amount that the UMPIP percentage is based on. It includes cash salary total, housing total, and a parsonage value, if there is a parsonage. This is also the amount used to determine eligibility for pension and health insurance supplements.

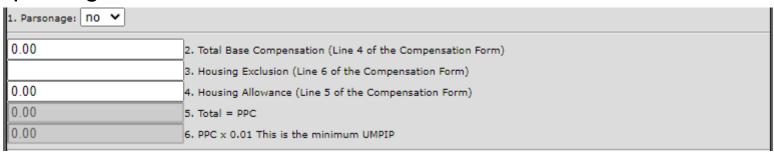
X. This is the total cost to the church for this pastor. It includes every expense: cash salary, housing, benefits, account reimbursements, and optional benefits.

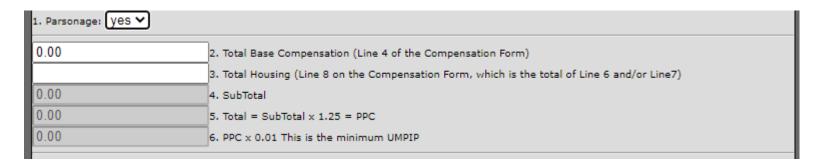
UMPIP WORKSHEET (United Methodist Personal Investment Plan)

- DO NOT complete this worksheet if the pastor is ineligible for pension or waiving pension.
- This worksheet is designed to help the pastor determine the required 1% salary reduction, how much to contribute to the UMPIP pension fund, and whether it will be contributed pre-tax, after-tax, or after-tax Roth.
- None of the information on this worksheet automatically transfers to the Ministerial Compensation Report.

UMPIP WORKSHEET (United Methodist Personal Investment Plan)

Select either "no" parsonage or "yes" parsonage. The worksheet will change to fit the selection. Follow the instructions to enter the appropriate salary and housing package items.





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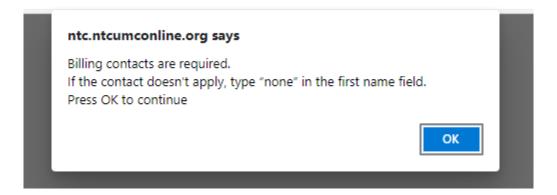
UMPIP contributions will be billed to the local church each month by the General Board of Pension (GBOP). The local church should deduct this amount from the clergy paycheck. The GBOP needs to be informed of the monthly amount of UMPIP contribution. If you want the conference office to inform the GBOP please indicate so below.			
7. Who do you want to inform GBOP of your UMPIP contributions: Conference 🗸			
7a. I wish to be billed monthly for	% of my PPC v monthly as <i>before-tax</i> contribution.		
7b. I wish to be billed monthly for	% of my PPC v monthly as after-tax contribution.		
7c. I wish to be billed monthly for	% of my PPC v monthly as after-tax Roth contribution.		

- Select which type of UMPIP contribution the pastor prefers to make.
- Select whether it will be a monthly percentage or dollar amount.
- Clergy can divide up their UMPIP contributions into more than one category.
- Report the choice as an ANNUAL amount on the Ministerial Compensation Report.
 - ❖ Line 10 is pre-tax.
 - ❖ Line 17 is after-tax Roth.
 - Line 18 is after-tax.

Online Roster

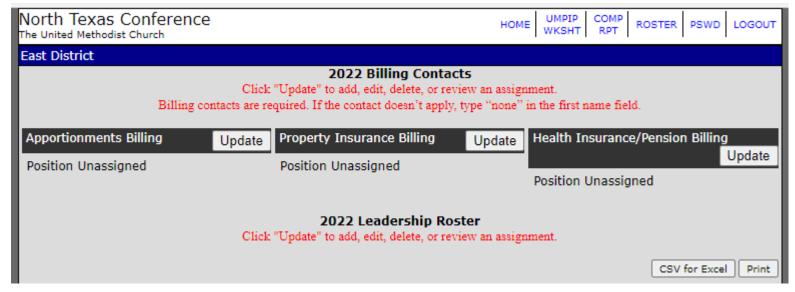
Elected local church officers are entered on the church's online roster.

Newly requested this year are billing contacts.



When the billing contacts are entered, this message will no longer pop-up.

Online Roster



Billing contacts are listed first. If you do not have a health insurance/pension billing contact, type "None" in the first name box and that will be sufficient.

If the person in any position in the Leadership Roster is the same as last year, simply select "Update." Otherwise, fill in the new individual's name and contact information.

Also, the system will require a name in the Lay Leader position.

New this year in the "2022 Leadership Roster" is a Disaster Response Liaison.

Online Roster



Decide what matches best your church structure and only fill in Church Council, Administrative Council Chair, Administrative Board Chair, or Council on Ministries Chair once. You don't need to repeat the same name in each of these boxes.

PRINTABLE FORMS

"Printable" forms are found on the NTC website https://ntcumc.org/connectional-resources/charge-conference.

Printable Forms

Accessibility Audit	Fund Balance Report
Accountable Reimbursement Policies Q&As	Lay Minister Annual Report
Accountable Reimbursement Short Form	Lay Servant Annual Report
Accountable Reimbursement Long Form	Minutes of the Charge/Church Conference
Annual Report of the Deacon	Pastor Continuing Education Form
Clergy Housing Report	Pastor's Report
Extension Minister Report	Trustees Report
Finance Committee Report	

QUESTIONS

For questions on filling out forms or for your login and password, contact your district office or the conference office if the district is unavailable.

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