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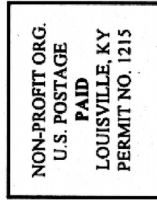
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Committee on
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Purpose

To provide training for Committees on Preparation for Ministry, using the gifts, skills and knowledge of experienced Presbyterians who have served or are serving fruitfully on Committee on Preparation for Ministry.

Content of CPM Training Events

The CPM network trainers are equipped to do training in the following area:

- Call and Vocation
- Theology of the Preparation for Ministry Process
- Formation nature of the preparation process
- Spiritual formation and discernment practices
- Relationships among companions on the journey-CPMs, seminaries, home church sessions and pastors, Ministry Development Council centers

- CPM community building (building trust)
- Nurturing vs. gatekeeping
- Communication and the preparation for ministry process
- Working with racial ethnic persons
- CPM new members orientation
- Preparing for presbytery examinations
- Dealing with difficult issues:
 - Theological issues
 - Sexual orientation
 - Boundary issues
 - Working with differences

Requirements for Trainers

The following are required of the CPM network trainers:

- Training CPMs is a calling
- Willing to surrender to the Spirit of God
- Has teaching ability and skills
- Has hands-on experience on CPM
- Humility - Is open to learning
- Vulnerability - self awareness - knowing one's own limits

- Able to give time and willing to do hard work
- Work with Preparation for Ministry Office of GAC

Costs

Inviting middle government bodies (MGB) will cover the travel, room and board, and ground transportation expenses. With the exception of GAC staff, an honorarium to the trainer is suggested. If airfare is required and the inviting MGB is not able to cover, the Office of Preparation for Ministry will share the cost of transportation.

Evaluation

The inviting MGB will evaluate each event and provide a copy to the trainer and to the Preparation for Ministry Office. The Preparation for Ministry office will provide an annual gathering of network trainers for nurturing and sharing of ministry journey and evaluating and updating of training information.