

APPLICATION
for a Presbytery Ministry Partnership
with the Synod of Living Waters
(Up to three years)

Believing that ministry needs are ordinarily identified best by local congregations and/or their presbyteries, the Synod of Living Waters commits to a Presbytery Ministry Partnership model as its primary focus for mission. A Presbytery Ministry Partnership is a voluntary collaboration between two or more presbyteries who covenant with each other and then with the Synod to address common ministry goals or concerns. (Please see attached *Guidelines* for additional clarification.)

→TYPE ONLY - Handwritten application cannot be accepted.

(Can be downloaded from www.synodoflivingwaters.org)

**Applications may be submitted at any time during the year, but must be received in the Synod Office by September 1 in order to be considered for funding for the following budget year beginning January 1.*

Date _____

Name of Presbytery Ministry Partnership _____
Brief statement of purpose

Presbytery Partners (minimum of 2)

1) _____
Endorsed by vote of presbytery on _____
Name of at least one Presbytery Representative to Partnership _____

2) _____
Endorsed by vote of presbytery on _____
Name of at least one Presbytery Representative to Partnership _____

(Please list additional Presbytery Partners, endorsements, and representatives, if applicable, on the back of this page or on an additional sheet)

Are additional Presbytery partners welcome? _____
(If partnership is limited for some reason, please explain)

Are additional Presbytery partners needed for this ministry to be effective _____ List any particular skills or resources needed from Presbytery Partners _____

Name of person/s completing this application _____

For additional information, please contact _____
Name Title

Address _____

Telephone E-mail

Application for a Presbytery Ministry Partnership, cont'd.

Goals and Objectives of the Partnership, including *multi-cultural*:

Please limit Goals (the end result the Presbytery Ministry Partnership hopes/plans to attain) to one or two.

Each Goal should be followed by three or four Objectives (defined, measurable ways that will be used to reach the Goal). Please explain how multi-cultural issues will be addressed. [Required]

A separate sheet may be used. Goals and Objectives should be no longer than one side of an 8 ½ X 11 sheet.

Anticipated duration of this Presbytery Ministry _____
(Up to 3 years)

Proposed Budget for Partnership: (Form completed and attached) _____

Resources requested of Synod. Please list in-kind and financial. Be specific. List here as well as on budget form.

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____

Any additional information which may help the Review Subcommittee _____

Every attempt has been made to make this form user friendly! Additional information referencing any particular question may be attached and will surely be considered, but please make every attempt to be clear and succinct.

If you do not wish to type on this form, you may create your own, following this format in order to be reviewed. Form (Adobe Acrobat) may be found at www.synodoflivingwaters.org. Please submit by mail to Synod Office, 318 Seaboard Lane, Suite 205, Franklin, TN 37067; Due Date: September 1.

**Application for a Presbytery Ministry Partnership
- Budget Building Form -**

<u>INCOME SOURCE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>		
	Yr. 1 - _____	Yr. 2 - _____	Yr. 3 - _____
Grant from Presbytery of _____	_____	_____	_____
Grant from Presbytery of _____	_____	_____	_____
Grant from Presbytery of _____	_____	_____	_____
Grant from Presbytery of _____	_____	_____	_____
Other contributions/cash or in kind _____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
Special Event Admission, Conf. Registration, etc.	_____	_____	_____
Promotional Items or Resource Sales	_____	_____	_____
Grant from Synod of Living Waters	_____	_____	_____
Any other _____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL INCOME	_____	_____	_____
 <u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>		
	Yr. 1 - _____	Yr. 2 - _____	Yr. 3 - _____
Program Group (Travel/Meeting, etc.)	_____	_____	_____
Program/Event (Travel/Meetings, Speakers, etc.)	_____	_____	_____
Office Supplies/Postage/Computer Expenses/Phone	_____	_____	_____
Copying/Printing	_____	_____	_____
Resource Purchase	_____	_____	_____
Resource Development	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL EXPENSES	_____	_____	_____

Note: Please change individual budget lines if necessary to fit your project needs or resources. Remember that your Presbytery Ministry Partnership may well have a more detailed operating budget, with these and other categories listed separately, than is shown here.

Guidelines for a Presbytery Ministry Partnership with the Synod of Living Waters

Definition: A Presbytery Ministry Partnership is a voluntary collaboration between two or more presbyteries, who covenant with each other and then with the Synod, to address common ministry goals or concerns.

1. A Presbytery Ministry Partnership is initiated by two or more presbyteries who share a ministry goal or concern. Additional presbyteries are then invited to join.
2. A Presbytery Ministry Partnership requires endorsement by a vote of each participating presbytery, and will include the assignment of a person or persons to represent the presbytery.
3. Each Presbytery Ministry Partner will be expected to contribute resources (cash and/or in-kind) to the Partnership.
4. A Presbytery Ministry Partnership is ordinarily open to any presbytery wishing to participate. Every partnership must be attentive to the needs of the multi-cultural concerns within the bounds of that partnership.
5. A Presbytery Ministry Partnership may be approved by the Synod for up to three (3) years. For continued funding in years two and three, written progress reports, with the budget included, will be required annually.
6. The Presbytery Ministry Partnership application deadline is ordinarily October 1. All applications will be reviewed by the Synod Presbytery Ministry Partnership Committee and presented with recommendation to the Synod at its annual meeting in January.
7. Criteria for Synod funding of Partnerships will be based on the strength of the application, the number of endorsed applications received, and the availability of funds. Every effort will be made to support Partnerships which follow the Guidelines.
8. Each Presbytery Ministry Partnership will include at least one Synod Commissioner who will be their liaison, with all travel expenses paid by the Partnership. Liaisons to campus ministry board partnerships are Synod-appointed board members with all rights and privileges.
9. All Campus Ministry Board Partnerships must provide with each partnership application or review form certification of insurance issued by their underwriter that indicates their independent board of directors is covered for not less than \$1 million general liability coverage which includes professional misconduct.
10. These Presbytery Ministry Partnership Guidelines may be amended by the Synod.

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Synod of Living Waters

PRESBYTERY MINISTRY PARTNERSHIP

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What is a ministry partnership?

A: A presbytery ministry partnership is a voluntary grouping of presbyteries which covenant with the Synod and each other to address common ministry goals or concerns.

Q: What do ministry partnerships do?

A: A presbytery ministry partnership carries out a specific mission or ministry which impact presbyteries and local congregations.

Q: How does a ministry partnership get started?

A: The initiative for starting a presbytery ministry partnership ordinarily lies with presbytery. Presbyteries who share a common ministry goal or concern may join with one or more other presbyteries to request a partnership with the Synod.

Q: Can a Synod start a partnership?

A: The Synod may suggest that two or more presbyteries form a partnership to address a particular ministry.

Q: How can an individual or local congregation be instrumental in starting a presbytery ministry partnership?

A: If individuals and/or congregations share a ministry concern, they may encourage their presbytery to complete a ministry partnership application.

Q. What if there are no other known presbytery partners?

A. After the presbytery has completed the application, the presbytery should continue to search for partners with the Synod's assistance through its contacts, web page, etc.

Q: How long does a presbytery ministry partnership exist?

A: A presbytery ministry partnership may be approved for up to three years. Each ministry partnership will include one or more Synod commissioners.

Q: How is a ministry partnership funded?

A: A presbytery ministry partnership is funded through the resources of its presbytery partners and may request funding from the Synod. Synod funding decisions will be based on available resources, requests and regular reviews of each endorsed partnership.

Q. Can a presbytery join an existing partnership?

A. Yes, a presbytery ministry partnership is open to all presbyteries in the Synod according to the guidelines established by that partnership.

Q. When should applications for presbytery ministry partnership be submitted?

A. The deadline for applications from presbyteries is **October 1**.

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