

Part V

Time for a New Pastor to Start



Congregation Leader's Evaluation of Interim Ministry

Date of Interview: _____ Pastor: _____

Congregation: _____ Served from _____ to _____

Leader's Name (optional) _____

Congregational Leader, please answer the following questions in as much detail as possible (use a separate sheet if necessary) and return to the synod liaison.

1. What were three major concerns when your previous pastor left the parish?

2. What are three major concerns now as you begin with a new pastor?

3. What are some things which occurred during the interim that were helpful?

4. Has your congregation's relationship with the synod changed in any way during this interim?

5. Have there been any areas in which you had hoped the synod would have helped more or better?

6. Have there been any changes or shifts in power or decision-making during the interim period?



Congregation Leader's Evaluation of Interim Ministry (continued)

7. Do you feel that most people in the congregation are more or less satisfied with the congregational life now?
8. What have you learned about your congregation during this interim period?
9. Do you believe that your congregation is prepared for new leadership?
10. How would you evaluate the overall effectiveness of the Interim Minister?
Check one.
Fair Good Excellent
Comment on your choice:
11. What do you consider to be the strengths for ministry of the Interim Minister?
Preaching Teaching Administration Counseling
Problem solving Visitation Handling conflict Other (list below)
12. Were there things you would have wanted the interim pastor to do which were not done?
13. What advice would you give a friend whose congregation is just beginning with an interim?

