

4. In what ways do you think you would benefit personally from your training and service as a Stephen Minister?

5. How would people who know you describe how you relate to others?

6. Are you now or have you ever been a Stephen Minister **Care Receiver**? **Yes** **No**

If **yes**, someone from the Stephen Leader Team will speak with you about this so that the team may better understand its significance in your life and ministry. A great many caregivers have been made stronger in the caregiving ministry through the care they themselves have received.

7. Please describe your relationship with Jesus Christ.

8. a) Which church do you attend?

b) St. Luke's UMC currently facilitates Stephen Ministry training for several congregations. The Stephen Ministers currently share in the care of members of congregations other than those of their home church. Are you willing to share your caregiving with congregations other than your own?

Yes **No**

9. Have you ever trained and served as a Stephen Minister or Stephen Leader somewhere else?

Yes **No** If yes, please list where and when.

10. Are you willing to commit to serve faithfully for a period of no less than two years (for Stephen Ministers only)?

Service includes:

Classroom training on Tuesday evenings from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Making regular visits with your Care Receiver (usually weekly, 1 hour)

Attending twice monthly Stephen Ministry Care Support meetings - whether or not you have an assigned Care Receiver

Yes **No**

Please read and sign:

The information I have provided in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I agree to participate in Stephen Ministry training and Care Support meetings, and to function within the boundaries of the Stephen Ministry program.

Signature _____

Date _____

Next Steps

Email (care@st.lukes.org), mail or bring this application by Monday, December 3 to St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 4851 S. Apopka Vineland Road, Orlando, FL 32819 Attention: Kim Paredes, Administrator for Care Ministries.

A member of St. Luke's Stephen Ministry Leadership team will contact you to schedule a meeting to get to know you better and to answer any questions you may have. This meeting usually lasts less than one hour.

The Stephen Ministry training sessions start Tuesday, January 8 and continue every Tuesday, through Tuesday, March 26. There will be two **Saturday classes** on February 9 and March 9 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Tuesday sessions are held in the Special Events Dining Room in Building C at St. Luke's UMC from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Any Questions? Contact Kim Paredes at kparedes@st.lukes.org, office: 407-876-4991 ext. 262; or Lisa Apikos, Stephen Minister Leader, at lapikos@gmail.com or 321-356-8429.

