**Registration Form for**

**Locally Recognised Worship Leading**

**Assembly Accredited Lay Preachers**

**CONFIDENTIAL**

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| **Candidate for:** |  |  | **Please return to:** |
| **Locally Recognised**  **Worship Leaders** |  |  | Synod address including email |
| **Assembly Accredited Lay Preaching** |  |  |
| **Please select the relevant box** | |  |

Please complete all the sections

**1. PERSONAL PARTICULARS**

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| Title: | select title | Full Name | | … | | | | |
| Home Address | | give your full address including post code | | | | | | |
| Telephone Number(s) | | … | | | | … | | |
| Email address | | … | | | | |
| Date of Birth | | … | Place of birth | | … | | | |
| Nationality at birth | | … | Current nationality (if different) | | | | | … |
| Marital Status | | … |
| Next of kin | | … | Relationship | | | | | … |
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**2. PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE**

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| Have you ever previously done any training as a worship leader or lay preacher? | | select |
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| Give details of any Lay Preaching or other discipleship training courses undertaken and the dates of completion | ... | |

**3. EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS AND ASSOCIATED AWARDS**

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| What educational qualifications do you have?  Please type here |
| What other achievements or training have you undertaken?  Please type here |
| If your educational development has been affected by special factors such as educational disadvantage, learning difficulties, dyslexia, etc. please give details:  Please type here |

4**. FAITH DEVELOPMENT AND ENRICHMENT**

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| Briefly comment on a book which has impressed you or challenged your faith. This need not be a Christian book. |
| Please type here |

**5. CHURCH LIFE**

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| **5.1 Church Membership** | | | |
| Date of Baptism | | ... | |
| Details of Confirmation (if any) | | ... | |
| Date of membership of the United Reformed Church | | ... | |
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| **5.2 Present Church** | | | |
| Name | **...** | | |
| Minister | **...** | | |
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| **5.3 Service in the Church** | | | |
| Give details of your service in the church and positions held in your present and any previous church (e.g. Eldership, children and youth work, choir and describe your experience of leading public worship. | | | |
| Please type here | | | |
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| **5.4 Guidelines on Conduct and Behaviour for Synod Recognised Worship Leaders and Assembly Accredited Lay Preachers (Mission Council May 2019)**  [**https://urc.org.uk/images/images/Guidelines\_-\_Lay\_Preachers\_Sep\_2012.pdf**](https://urc.org.uk/images/images/Guidelines_-_Lay_Preachers_Sep_2012.pdf) | | | |
| These guidelines outline some of the expectations placed upon those who provide leadership in the United Reformed Church. Have you read them? **select** | | |  |
| **5.5 Marks of Ministry**  [**https://urc.org.uk/images/MissionCouncil/March-2021/DH1\_Worship\_Leading\_and\_Lay\_Preaching.pdf**](https://urc.org.uk/images/MissionCouncil/March-2021/DH1_Worship_Leading_and_Lay_Preaching.pdf) | | | |
| The United Reformed Church has published a document detailing Marks of Ministry (Mission Council March 2020). For Synod Recognised Worship Leaders and Assembly Accredited Lay Preachers which of these do you think could be your strengths? Give examples where possible.  Please type here | | | |
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**6. REFERENCES**

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| Your synod will request a reference from your minister. One further reference is required from someone who knows you well and are sufficiently aware of ministry in the United Reformed Church to be able to testify to your suitability and ability for the role of worship leader or lay preacher.  Please supply contact details. | | |
| Name | … | Occupation and/or position connected with church or other organisation |
| Address | … |
| Phone Number | … | … |
| email address | … |
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**7. OTHER INFORMATION**

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| IS there anything else you would like to tell us?  Please type here |

**8. DECLARATION**

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| The information I have given on this form is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. | |
| **Signed:** | **Date** |
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| For information on how we process and store your information, please see our Data Privacy Notice – Education and Learning & Ministries – on our website: <https://urc.org.uk/privacy-notices> |

**9. FUNDING**

For Locally Recognised Worship Leading Courses run in the Synod or for Stepwise please speak with your Synod Training Development Officer (or equivalent).

It is envisaged that the cost of the URC Assembly Accredited Lay Preaching Course will be £1000. Should you need help with funding you should, in the first instance, ask your local church and Synod if they are able to assist. Where this is not possible, or where there may be a shortfall, you should contact your Synod Training Officer to obtain the necessary funding application form. We operate the scheme through the Synods, so the relevant person in the Synod office will authorise your request and ensure that you are re-imbursed.

The deadline for applications to train as an Assembly Accredited Lay Preacher is 30th June.

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