

# Stephen Ministry Application (Confidential)

## First Baptist Greenville

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (C) \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation and Workplace, if applicable \_\_\_\_\_

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**Use additional paper/space, if necessary.**

1. Describe why you are interested in being a Stephen Minister (SM).

2. What gifts/strengths do you have to help you serve effectively as a SM?

3. How do you think you might benefit personally from SM training and service?

4. What do you think might be difficult or challenging aspects of this role?

5. How would people who know you best describe the way you relate to others?

6. Briefly describe your faith journey.

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**Please provide three references, including at least one individual who is not a member of this congregation.**

a. Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

b. Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

c. Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Your signature below indicates your willingness to commit to faithful service as a SM for a period of no less than two years. This includes the initial training,\* regular visits to an assigned care receiver (weekly or a mutually agreed upon frequency), and on-going twice-monthly small group peer supervision.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Please mail the completed application in a sealed envelope to Stephen Ministry, First Baptist Greenville, 847 Cleveland Street, Greenville, SC 29601. Or, you may hand-deliver it to the church reception desk. The deadline for applications is February 19. After your application is received, you will be contacted by a Stephen Leader to schedule an interview.**

\*Please keep the training schedule in the second paragraph of the cover letter for your reference/calendar. Once the training is successfully completed, the new Stephen Ministers will be commissioned and blessed in their ministry during a Sunday morning worship service. Following commissioning, peer supervision and continuing education usually will be held from 4:45-7:30 p.m. on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month, September through May.

**Thank you for your interest in Stephen Ministry!**