Union Presbyterian Seminary Senior Profile

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Call to Ministry (max. 2000 characters)

In examining my life I recognize that the Lord has been preparing me for a life dedicated to pastoral ministry. I believe that I have been called by God to proclaim and share the good news of God's redemption through Jesus Christ for the salvation of the world. Using the gifts with which I have been graced I aim to promote God's Kingdom by serving the people of God in the church. In all that I do I order my life around the lessons of Scripture, principles of good reason, the inheritance from our ancestors in the faith, all the while grounded in my personal experience.

Being endowed by God with certain strengths in preaching, teaching, discipleship formation, building compassionate pastoral relationships, and having a keen interest and conviction for sharing the good news of God's work through Jesus Christ, I understand my call to be about creating communities and opportunities where all God's children can come together as the adopted sons and daughters of God in order to be healed and experience the love of God through Christ.

I am a passionate learner, and my goal with such learning is to be able to communicate it to others for the education of the individual believer and the benefit of the whole community. Graced with the ability to be self-reflective, I have learned a great deal from the many joys and trials in my own life. As a result, not only am I able to resonate with the particular joys and trials in other persons' lives, but I always aim to journey with others through both the good and bad times.

I take seriously Jesus' command to share the good news of God's Kingdom with the whole world. Therefore, whether by word or deed, I always strive to demonstrate to others how the goodness of God's grace is making an impact in my own life so that others might also be drawn towards God in order to experience God's love.

In short, in everything I do I aim to glorify the Lord!

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Positions Desired (check all that apply)

Solo Pastor Associate Pastor Christian Educator Chaplain Spiritual Formation/Discipleship Social Justice Non-Profit Youth Ministry		Young Adults Ministry Older Adults Ministry Children's Ministry Pastoral Care Outreach/Missions Non-Ordained Other:	
Education			
Degree	Major	University, City	Year
ВА	History & Religious Studies	UNC-Greensboro, Greensboro, NC	2004

Work Experience

Position	Setting	City/State	Year-Year
Data Analyst	Williams, Roberts, Young (Contractor)	Winston-Salem, NC	2005-2008
Financial Analyst	Jefferson Wells/Experis	Winston-Salem, NC	2008-2014
Financial Analyst	Wake Forest Baptist Hospital	Winston-Salem, NC	2014-2016

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Geographic Preference(s)
 Not Geographically Limited International Specific States: NC, VA, MD, DE, PA, NJ Other:
Candidacy Status
Ready to receive a call Still have denominational requirements to meet Other: