

QUESTIONS TO ASK OF A CONGREGATION

1. Discuss all doctrinal questions you feel necessary covering such things as M/D/R, mechanical instrumental music, the nature of the church, the role of elders, etc.
2. Is there anything that I would be forbidden to preach?
3. What is expected of my wife?
4. How many hours are expected for me to be in the “office” per week?
5. What classes will I be expected to teach? Sunday A.M.? Wednesday night? Other?
6. How many days per week do I have off? Can I set the day/days?
7. How much vacation time do I have? If multiple weeks, can it be split?
8. How much relocation time do I have should I decide to leave or if asked to leave? (Normal average is up to three months) If living in a parsonage, is this same length of time extended to it?
9. If I relocate, will I be paid for the Sundays that I am away on try outs?
10. If I relocate, when will be my last preaching opportunity for the congregation?
11. How many weeks may I have off for gospel meetings, lectureships, camp, etc.?
12. If there is an eldership, am I invited to attend the elder’s meetings?
13. If living in a parsonage, what is required of me regarding maintenance?
14. If living in a parsonage, who pays the utilities? If paid by the church, is there a limit?
15. Salary? How paid? Weekly? By-weekly? When?
16. Insurance? Paid, or deducted?
17. Social Security? Amount paid, if any?
18. Retirement plan. Does the church contribute to one?
19. How many “sick days” do I have per year?