

## Pastor's Reference Form

Dear Pastor: \_\_\_\_\_

*Name of Student*

has applied for admission as a student in the **Northeast School of Theology & Ministry**. This student has listed you as the Pastor of his/her home church, and is requesting a reference from you for admission to the school. *NSTM* is primarily a training school for pastoral ministry; we also allow church lay leaders to take select courses in our curriculum.

For students that enroll in the *48-Credit Certificate of Pastoral Ministry 4-year program*, the program consists of college-level weekend module courses, once per month, from September – June, as well as student internship courses during July – August. Our model for mentoring these students is *Pastors Training Next Generation Pastors*; as such, we are seeking your involvement and support as a pastoral mentor/teacher for this student during the entire program. If you are willing to serve your student in this way, please complete this form as a reference for this student from your church.

\_\_\_\_\_ is a church member at: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Name of student* *Name of Church*

Church address: \_\_\_\_\_

Pastor's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Pastor's email: \_\_\_\_\_

Is this student a member in good standing at your church, and does he/she maintain a consistent Godly lifestyle?

YES  NO

Do you believe that this student has a serious interest in enrolling and taking classes at *NSTM*?

YES  NO  NOT SURE

Do you believe that this student would be able to handle college level course work to be a successful student at *NSTM*?

YES  NO  NOT SURE

Do you give your full support and recommendation for this student to be accepted at *NSTM*?

YES  NO  NOT SURE

Reason(s) why you would recommend this student for admission at *Northeast School of Theology & Ministry*:  
*(continue on back of form if needed)*

**For Pastoral Program Students ONLY:**

- Do you believe and have observed that this student may be called of God to serve in pastoral ministry?  
 YES  NO  NOT SURE
- Are you willing to serve as a Pastoral Mentor/Teacher for this student during their program at *NSTM*?  
 YES  NO  NOT SURE
- We are encouraging churches to be willing to consider tuition financial assistance for their student during their program at *NSTM*; the cost is \$100 per credit for courses; an average of \$1,200 per year. If you would like to do this for your student, or if you would like more information on costs, go to [www.NortheastSTM.org](http://www.NortheastSTM.org), or feel free to contact Dr. Vogel at [jvogel@nfibc.org](mailto:jvogel@nfibc.org), or Dr. Kliewer at [kliewer1956@gmail.com](mailto:kliewer1956@gmail.com)

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*Signature of Pastoral Reference*

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*Date*