

Sample Interview Questions for the District Ministerial Credentials Board

1. Are you in complete harmony with the Polity and Government, the General Rules and the Covenant of Christian Conduct of the Church of the Nazarene?
2. Do you look forward to Sunday, or is it a “drag” for you?
3. Do you enjoy reading? What have you been reading recently?
4. Would you explain to us what you believe Entire Sanctification means, and would you please give us some specific scripture references to support your position?
5. How have you managed your personal finances? Are you behind in any of your financial obligations at this time? If so, how much? How much of your debt is credit card debt?
6. What is your spouse’s attitude toward your ministry?
7. Do you have any serious areas of conflict or disagreement with the Church of the Nazarene?
8. Tell us specifically how your church has grown under your leadership?
 - a. How many have been born again?
 - b. How many have been sanctified?
 - c. How many have joined the church by Profession of Faith?
 - d. Has your Sunday School increased in both average attendance and enrollment?
9. Do you enjoy preaching, and the rigors and discipline of the ministry, or is it a chore for you?
10. How do you react to criticism?
11. Do you see yourself as a member of a district and denominational “team”? If so, tell us how you feel you fit in the program?
12. Could you do some work in the secular field and still be in the will of God for your life? (I.e., could you do something else besides preaching and still be happy in the will of God?)
13. Have you paid your budgets in full?

14. What is your attitude toward our denominational budgets?
15. Why do you want to be ordained?
16. What do you perceive ordination to represent?
17. The General Assembly has taken a strong stand on the charismatic phenomenon of tongues speaking as the evidence of the infilling of the Holy Spirit or as an ecstatic prayer language. Are you in full agreement with this position?
18. Are there any questions you wish to ask this board?
19. The moral climate of the day, as well as the Scriptures (1 Thess. 4:3-5, *et al*) calls for pure lives above reproach. Is Internet pornography, or any other moral issue (TV, movies, sensual literature) a problem for you?
20. What is your feeling about planting a new church or giving some members from your church as a sponsor for a new church start?
21. Have you ever been convicted of a felony?