

Sabbatical Application

Please refer to the Sabbatical Guidelines prepared by NMEGaP for pastors in the FMCiC.

The application to the board for a sabbatical should include:

- a. **Dates** (start date and return to work date)
- b. **Plans** for the sabbatical. Four purposes are suggested here:
 - i. Rest
 - ii. Enriching Relationships
 - iii. Soul Enlargement/Spiritual Formation
 - iv. Rekindling/Clarifying Vision for Ministry
- c. **Pulpit Supply** – a proposal for who looks after this should be included (i.e. depending on the lead time before the sabbatical is taken, the pastor could make plans but not be the direct contact person should the arrangements fall through)
- d. **Financial Implications** - these would be beyond salary and benefits (i.e. honoraria, mileage for guest speakers), and would be a 'guesstimate'
- e. **Monitoring progress** – a decision for how much (if any) monitoring/reporting that would occur during the sabbatical time