

# PARISH ASSOCIATE

Definition adopted by the Presbytery of Cincinnati on February 12, 2013.

A parish associate is a teaching elder invited by the session of a congregation which has a pastor, stated supply or interim pastor to provide services defined by the session for a specified period not to exceed twelve months at a time and not to exceed twenty hours per week, with or without remuneration. The invitation to a parish associate and its renewal is subject to the approval of the Committee on Ministry. It is not subject to the presbytery's minimum terms of compensation. The designation of a teaching elder as a parish associate shall not be considered to be a validated ministry. The session may grant a parish associate voice but not vote at its meetings.

## COVENANT FOR **PARISH ASSOCIATE** RELATIONSHIP Terms of Agreement

The Session of \_\_\_\_\_ Church of  
(name of congregation)  
\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, PIN No. \_\_\_\_\_  
(city or town) (state)

hereby requests the Rev. \_\_\_\_\_  
(name of teaching elder)

to serve as Parish Associate, beginning \_\_\_\_\_.  
(starting date)

to continue serving as Parish Associate, beginning \_\_\_\_\_.  
(date of review)

This agreement is subject to annual review. It may be terminated by either party with \_\_\_\_\_ days written notice. It may be terminated by the presbytery at any time.

LIST AREAS OF MINISTRY FOR WHICH TEACHING ELDER WILL BE RESPONSIBLE

TIME COMMITMENT

The parish associate will work approximately \_\_\_\_\_ hours per week.

REMUNERATION

Compensation

Salary \_\_\_\_\_

Housing \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Reimbursable Expense Allowances

Auto \_\_\_\_\_

Continuing Education \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURES

Clerk of the Session \_\_\_\_\_

date

COM Rep \_\_\_\_\_

date

Parish Associate \_\_\_\_\_

date