



# Charter Application/Re-Certification Form

## United Methodist Men

The United Methodist Church

*"Be Ye Doers Of The Word And Not Hearers Only"*

The GCUMM is an official church Organization recognized by the General Conference. Men's Ministry gains strength, mission outreach, program information and visibility because of the general church recognition of United Methodist Men.

**How to charter or recertify:** Complete the information needed below. Have treasurer prepare a check for a contribution to the mission of United Methodist Men.

Mail this form with your check to for \$85:

**GCUMM**

**P.O. Box 440515,**

**Nashville, TN 37244-0515**

**(615) 340-7145, Fax (615) 340-1770**

**OR** go to [www.gcumm.org](http://www.gcumm.org) and click on **Donations/Payments** button

**OR** fill out credit card form below

\*\*\*We can charter jointly 2 or more units as one, if they meet together.

- This is an application for a NEW CHARTER
- This is an application for ANNUAL RENEWAL OF CHARTER
- This is a recertification for a LAPSED CHARTER

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Check Amt.: \_\_\_\_\_

Check No. \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Initials \_\_\_\_\_

ID # \_\_\_\_\_

JAD \_\_\_\_\_

Entry Date \_\_\_\_\_

Initials \_\_\_\_\_

Please charge my credit card: Name on card: \_\_\_\_\_

Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration: \_\_\_\_\_

Security Code \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

UM Church Code (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

Church \_\_\_\_\_  
(or the name of your fellowship or group)

\_\_\_\_\_

Street address

\_\_\_\_\_

City/state/zip

Pastor \_\_\_\_\_ Church Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Church Email \_\_\_\_\_

Conference \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

President \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Home mailing address

\_\_\_\_\_

City/state/zip

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Charter Treasurer \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Home mailing address

\_\_\_\_\_

City/state/zip

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

## A Time to Charter

### Organizing and Chartering a United Methodist Men's Unit

There is no secret formula for organizing a successful United Methodist Men's unit. First ask your pastor for support. Success is more likely with his or her enthusiastic support. Arrange a time for a meeting, include several men from your congregation. Also invite your district United Methodist Men's president. At this meeting, make plans for the steps you will follow to form a United Methodist Men's unit.

**A first-time charter may choose to pro-rate the charter fee for the first year on a quarterly basis as follows:**

**Jan.-March      \$85.00**

**April-June      \$63.75**

**July-Sept.      \$42.50**

**Example: A new charter sent to GCUMM on May 1 would include a check for 63.75.**

Your plans should include these steps:

1. Discuss the purpose of United Methodist Men as stated in *The Book of Discipline*. Read the information in the *Guidelines for United Methodist Men* (available from **Cokesbury 800/672-1789**).
2. Develop a plan for publicity and recruiting members. Set a date for the organizational meeting.
3. At the organizational meeting, select the officers, set the date for the monthly meetings and prepare a Constitution and By-Laws for your unit.
4. There are many aids to help in a good beginning. They include: *Guidelines for United Methodist Men* and *Men's Ministry Action Plan*. The *UMMen* magazine/newsletter is a quarterly publication sent to all local presidents and treasurers of chartered groups. The magazine is a practical guide, spiritual guide, and benefit for men in general. Write GCUMM, P.O. Box 340006, Nashville, TN 37203-0006, for brochures and additional information.
5. It is important to charter. After the initial charter, you re-certify your unit annually. Some ask, "Why should we charter as long as we have a men's group and meet regularly?" There are several reasons why it is helpful for you to charter. Most important is that your men become a link in the international movement of men extending the Kingdom of God. Your charter gift supports missions in a way one unit alone couldn't. These missions include: The Living Prayer Center, Civic Youth Serving Agencies/Scouting, and the exciting Men in Mission emphasis. Your donation provides training for officers and programs designed for men. Chartering is a base from which to reach out in mission through the effort of thousands of men's groups.



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