

## Assembly 2023 - Motions for Voting

### MOTION 4

#### **AMENDMENTS TO THE MINISTRY REGULATIONS OF THE BAPTIST UNION OF SOUTHERN AFRICA GOVERNING LAY PASTORS**

Resolution from the National Leadership Council.

##### **Preamble**

With acceptance of the new Regulations Governing Recognition for Ministry at the 2022 Assembly, several matters have arisen that require amendments and grammatical improvements.

These are the following:

- a) Lay pastors need not be re-interviewed annually, but will require regular supervisory reports as determined by the amended regulations.
- b) Notification that the Continuous Personal Development program is not yet in effect.
- c) Grammatical errors corrected.

##### **Resolution:**

- a) Under point 2.5 regulating Lay Leaders,

2.5.5 **Accreditation is only valid for one year but can be renewed for a further one-year period based on an acceptable supervisor's report. The candidate must be encouraged to continue with further theological education to comply with basic ministry regulations in order to remain on the lay ministers list. An association / network supervisory report must be submitted annually for each lay minister.**

2.5.6 Ministry leaders must be interviewed by a subcommittee of the ministry board after serving for a two-year period in their regional network. A written report of approval must be submitted to the ministry board.

2.5.7 Persons qualifying for this accreditation **based on** the over the age of 45 years clause, must comply with the basic theological qualification as there will be no progression without basic theological qualification and a probation period. **A supervisory report must be submitted every 5 years.**

- b) As set out below:

2.1.10 Agreement to participate in and complete the Continuous Personal Development program. **(Once this has been accepted by the Assembly.)**

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