

General Instructions for Teaching Elders, Ruling Elders, and Young Adult Advisory Delegates applying to represent Eastminster Presbytery at the 223rd General Assembly in St. Louis, Missouri from June 16th to June 23rd in 2018:

- 1) Information is available through the Eastminster Presbytery office concerning those who have served as Minister members, Ruling Elder Commissioners, or YAAD's in the last ten years, if needed.
- 2) Every applicant is asked to follow the instructions on the Application Form to serve as a Commissioner to the 223rd Assembly. These forms were posted on the presbytery website on August 14, 2017.
- 3) According to Eastminster Presbytery Policy, the Nominating Committee will give "strong consideration to participation and leadership in the Presbytery including Presbytery Committees, Commissioners, and Task Groups. Nominees must be of mature faith and integrity. In addition, gifts and abilities for service as a Commissioner include willingly giving time afterwards to share as an interpreter of the General Assembly. The Nominating Committee's discernment may include an interview with potential nominees for more conversation."
- 4) Again, according to Eastminster Presbytery Policy: "If nominated the nominee will be asked to indicate that no known health problem will prevent their full participation in the hectic pace and long hours of General Assembly. No nominee shall be discriminated against on the basis of disability. Eastminster Presbytery will elect Commissioners as well as a YAAD and an Alternate position (for every category of service) at the (December 2017) Stated Meeting of the Presbytery."
- 5) The information from the Nominating Committee with the selection of the Commissioners, YAAD, and Alternates nominated for the General Assembly will be posted a week before the December 5, 2017 meeting of Eastminster Presbytery within the presbytery packet.

6) "All costs for those elected by Eastminster Presbytery as Commissioner or YAAD will have their travel, housing and per diem costs covered by General Assembly per capita. The only costs incurred by Commissioner or YAAD are for personal expenses."