

FAQ Sheet

Q. I believe that one is called to the priesthood by God, Himself. The process makes me wonder whether I am being called...or whether I am "calling". I wonder whether a group of believers ought to identify from their midst men who exhibit the calling of God to ordination. I do regularly attend church and have looked around to find a method to become ordained. How can I know that God has called me?

A. A dream or a vision that has brought you to be called a minister of God is one that will remain through the test of time and cannot be changed no matter how hard we try. With prayer and our faith along with our hearts that our Heavenly Father and his Son Jesus Christ our Savior will guide us and bless us in the ministry. "I wonder whether a group of believers ought to identify from their midst men who exhibit the calling of God to ordination, In a person's journey to the priesthood in EACD, we are one unity within the Holy Trinity; The +Father, The +Son and The +Holy Spirit.

Q. Could you explain the relationship between the other denominations and EACD?

A. EACD is an Apostolic Rite with several different Denominational Rites under us. We have the Anglican Rite, Celtic Rite, Roman Rite, Lutheran, Methodist, Presbyterian, Protestant and Non-Protestant alike; This is what makes us a apostolic movement. We encompass several different styles of worship. We are unity within fellowship of Deacons, Priest and Bishops in universal unity of Christian fellowship. A place where clergy can come and be the apostles of Christ without a diocese that will be judgmental just because they are of a different denomination. This makes the Apostolic Rite of the Holy Order.

Q. Is there a call for a priest who does not have a parish?

A. Yes, there is! You can be a chaplain. A chaplain does all the functions of a priest but does not have a parish that they are in charge of. You can help out in Hospitals, nursing homes, fire departments, VFW post, and many other ministries.

Q. What age is there to be a clergyman within the EACD?

A. Yes, the age requirement is 21 years or older.

Q. What education is required to be a Deacon?

A. High School Diploma or GED

Q. Do you have to have a higher education to be a Priest or Bishop?

A. Yes, either a Bible School, Theology Seminary or University

Q. Does the EACD offer a seminary school for continuing education in the ministry for its clergy?

A. Yes, Ecumenical Apostolic Seminary is a part of the Diocese which helps its clergymen in higher education to better serve God and the people in the ministry. It offers courses in: Doctor of Divinity, Pastoral Family Counseling, Theology in Apostolic Studies, and Biblical Studies.

Q. Would you clarify the steps one would go through to become ordained with EACD?

A. The following is the structure of the Vocation Process:

Vocation Process:

I. Initial Contact

a. Email or written letter requesting information

b. Phone contact or in person request for additional information

II. Application and questionnaire must be filed with EACD.