# Church Leader Reference Form

**Please return this form to the coordinator of Belfast School Pastors**

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**Name of Applicant**: .......................................................................

**Name of Church Leader**: ......................................................................

Church Name: ......................................................................

Address: ......................................................................

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Telephone No: ........................ Mobile:.............................................

Email Address: .................................................................................

How do you know the Applicant? ..................................................

How long have you known the Applicant? .......................................

How long has the Applicant been attending church? ..................................

Please comment briefly on his/her spiritual growth and development:

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School Pastors are committed to the service of others in the name of Jesus. Our primary aim is to *be* the gospel by listening, caring and providing practical help on a non-judgmental basis to anyone and everyone we meet. We don’t ‘preach at’ people, though we are always ready to share our faith if invited to do so. In your opinion, has the Applicant understood and fully embraced this ethos?

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**Please give your opinion of the Applicant’s maturity by ticking the appropriate box:**

Ability to work as part of a team:

◊ Strong ◊ Average ◊ Weak ◊ Don’t know

Ability to use his/her own initiative:

◊ Strong ◊ Average ◊ Weak ◊ Don’t know

Sufficient “street understanding”: cognizant of danger and not easily offended:

◊ Strong ◊ Average ◊ Weak ◊ Don’t know

Ability to be non-judgmental:

◊ Strong ◊ Average ◊ Weak ◊ Don’t know

Awareness of spiritual issues and an understanding of the need to be dependent on God’s Holy Spirit

◊ Strong ◊ Average ◊ Weak ◊ Don’t know

Physical fitness to cope well with ministry without compromising the safety of others:

◊ Strong ◊ Average ◊ Weak ◊ Don’t know

A commitment to a life of honesty and integrity:

◊ Strong ◊ Average ◊ Weak ◊ Don’t know

Are there any adjustments that we as an organisation may need to make so that the applicant can function effectively as a School Pastor?

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Is there any other information you feel would be helpful? Please continue on the following page, if necessary.

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Do you recommend the Applicant for School Pastors ministry? If yes, why? If not, why? Please continue on the following page if necessary.

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Are you happy for any, or all of the above information to be shared with the Applicant?

◊ Yes ◊ No

**Is there any additional information you would like us to know?**

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Signature............................................................ Date.............................