

# CLM Initial Certification Interview (¶271)

## Requirements prior to interview

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- See the Certified Lay Ministry Certification Application Process: [www.westohioumc.org/conference/certified-lay-ministry](http://www.westohioumc.org/conference/certified-lay-ministry)

## Required Questions

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- How did the Certified Lay Ministry Academy affirm that your call is to serve as a Certified Lay Minister?
- How has the community of the church affirmed your understanding of call to serve as a Certified Lay Minister?
- Describe the specific area that you are/will be leading or serving within your local church or the Conference.
- How are you leading and equipping your mutual ministry team?
- What are your gifts for ministry? What is an example of fruit that has come from your gifts?
- What is your understanding of grace?
- What are your plans for continued growth?

## Suggested Questions

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- How is it with your soul?
- What did you learn about yourself and about God in the Certified Lay Academy?
- How have you experienced grace?
- What does your support system look like?
- Who has been influential in your Christian journey and how have they influenced you?
- Who are the marginalized in your community and how are you leading your ministry setting to minister with them?
- What spiritual disciplines do you practice?
- What do you do to take care of yourself physically?
- What are your goals for the year ahead?
- What excites you about ministry? What's your passion?
- What is your understanding of the Mission of the Church?
- Share a leadership experience you have had this year.

## Action Required

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**dCOM Secretary:** send minutes in a timely manner to dCOM members, the district office and West Ohio Conference, Attention: Certified Lay Ministry, including recommendation for the candidate.