

# UU PEACE Guidelines for Pastoral Care

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## Initiating a Pastoral Care Request

To initiate a request for pastoral care, the member, member's family (spouse, partner, significant other, parent, child) or a friend contacts either the Facilitator or the Chair of the Membership/Caring Committee. Sufficient information should be provided so the committee can determine whether the situation meets the "life or death" definitions below and if it does, the chairperson arranges for a pastoral care visit from an available minister or other as determined by said committee members.

## Pastoral Care Providers

The list of ministers available for pastoral care is reviewed annually by the Membership committee and changes are made as necessary.

## Fees and budgeted expenses

The pastoral care minister will be reimbursed by the UUPF Treasurer for up to three hours of pastoral care per event, two events per year at the rate of \$50 per hour.

Money is budgeted annually in the Membership Committee budget for this purpose.

## Definitions

"Life or death" for purposes of pastoral care are:

- a) the death or imminent death of a UUPF member or family member
- b) an accident resulting in serious injury to a member or family member
- c) the loss of the home of a member or family member
- d) family crisis of a member or family member
- e) diagnosis of a terminal or life-threatening illness of a member or family member

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