

# 2025 MINISTRY COOP PROGRAM OF THE KMC (SEOUL ANNUAL CONFERENCE) AND THE UMC (EAST & WEST OHIO CONFERENCES) 2025

Ministry Cohort (October 1–November 30, 2025)

Application Packet

## Program Summary

### Program Title

*The 140th Anniversary Commemorative CO-OP Program of the Scranton Mission between the KMC (Seoul Annual Conference) and the UMC (East & West Ohio Conferences)*

### Purpose

To build sustainable cooperation between Korean and American Methodist churches through reciprocal mission, pastoral collaboration, next-generation leadership development, and spiritual-cultural exchange.

### Participants

Minimum 2 – Maximum 4

### Program Dates

October 1 – November 30, 2025 (two months)

## Application & Orientation Timeline

- **Application Window:** August 4 – August 15, 2025
- **1st Round Results (Document Screening):** August 22, 2025
- **2nd Round Interviews (Korean/English):** August 28–29, 2025
- **Final Selection Announcement:** August 31, 2025
- **Orientation:** One day between September 2–5, 2025

## Program Components

- Church placement and pastoral training
- Worship & preaching (at least one sermon in Korean; translators available) and sacramental participation

- Community service engagement
- Theological workshops
- Historical and cultural exploration

### Expenses

- **Airfare:** Covered by the participant, their church, or Annual Conference
- **Housing:** Provided by the Seoul Annual Conference
- **Meals & Local Transportation:** Provided by host homes and personal responsibility
- **Scholarship:** A limited number of selected participants may receive financial support from the Annual Conference

**Note:** During the Ministry COOP program, participants will continue to receive their regular salary from their home churches.

### Application Form

Please type or print clearly. All fields are required unless noted otherwise.

#### I. Applicant Information

- **Full Name:** \_\_\_\_\_
- **Date of Birth (YYYY-MM-DD):** \_\_\_\_\_
- **Church Name:** \_\_\_\_\_
- **Ministry Status (select one):** ☐ Local Pastor ☐ Seminarian ☐ Young Adult Candidate  
☐ Clergy
- **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_
- **Mailing Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

#### II. Eligibility Confirmation

By checking each box, I affirm that the statement is true:

- ☐ I am a Local Pastor, Seminarian/Young Adult Candidate applicant, or Clergy person belonging to the East or West Ohio Conferences of The United Methodist Church.
- ☐ I have basic English communication skills.

- ☐ I am able to stay in **South Korea** for two months (October 1–November 30, 2025).
- ☐ I hold a valid driver's license (International Driving Permit optional).

### III. Required Documents (attach to your email submission)

- ☐ Recommendation letter from senior pastor
- ☐ Copy of United States passport (bio page)
- ☐ Resume
- ☐ Personal statement (max 2 pages)

### IV. Personal Statement (guidance)

**Length:** Up to 2 pages. Please address the following:

- Your motivation for applying
- Your English communication experience/ability
- Your potential ministry role within the UMC during/after the program

### V. Submission Details

- **Application Period:** August 4 – August 15, 2025
- **Email (single PDF preferred):** Rev. Donnetta Peaks, dpeaks@wocumc.org
- **Inquiries:** 614-844-6200

**Submission Tip:** Wherever possible, combine your materials into **one** email. Include your **full name** in the file names and on each document.

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### Applicant Certification

I certify that the information provided in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that incomplete applications may not be considered.

**Applicant Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Quick Checklist (before you send)**

- ☐ All fields completed and signed
- ☐ Pastor recommendation attached
- ☐ Passport copy attached
- ☐ Resume attached
- ☐ Personal statement ( $\leq 2$  pages) attached
- ☐ All files named with **LastName\_FirstName** and sent in **one email**