

Character reference for Pastor John Cross.

I am Rev. James G. Munter, pastor emeritus in good standing of the LCMC. I have known Pastor John Cross since 1967 when I served as the development chairperson of Camp Frederick in Columbiana County, Ohio. John was a faithful young Christian hired by the board of directors as our first summer youth ministry director. John's charisma and faith was like a magnet that drew the trust and love of local church leaders and youth, giving Camp Frederick a strong start which has continued to this day. This was the beginning of the close friendship between Pastor John and my family. Summer ministry at Camp Frederick helped confirm Pastor John's spiritual call to ordained ministry.

Over these past fifty-three years I have been a friend and confidant who has been there to share the joys and challenges of his personal life and ministry. On the basis of this I can say with confidence that Pastor John Cross is a man with a deep faith in Christ, having the gift of charisma, love for all people, integrity, loyalty, and concern for the health of our Lord's church. He enjoys a challenge and can think outside the box, which is apparent given his biography.

If I were still an active pastor I would without hesitation recommend Pastor John Cross as consultant for the spiritual financial health of any congregation I have served.

Respectfully,



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