



Spouses  
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## Ministerial Spouses Survey

Your seven minute time investment to complete this anonymous survey will assist Conference Ministerial Spouse leadership in supporting ministerial spouses by providing needed feedback for the NAD Ministerial Spouses Association

1. Your gender:
  - Female
  - Male
  
2. Your age group:
  - 20 - 30
  - 31 - 40
  - 41 – 65
  - 66 +
  
3. How long has your spouse been employed as a minister (excluding time in a seminary or undergraduate theology or religion college)?
  - 5 years or less
  - 6 - 10 years
  - 11 - 25 years
  - 26 – 45 years
  - Over 46 years
  
4. Indicate which of the following you would like to be available:
  - Monthly prayer line for ministerial spouses
  - Mentorship program for ministerial spouses
  - Social media (such as Facebook, Twitter, etc)
  - Videos
  - Podcasts
  - Electronic (free) newsletter
  - Written/video resources for ministerial spouses
  - Conference ministerial spouse retreat
  - Other \_\_\_\_\_
  
5. What topics would you like dealt with in resources for ministerial spouses?
  - Authenticity
  - Expectations
  - Relationships with church members/chaplaincy colleagues/
  - Relationships with spouse and children
  - Finances
  - Personal development
  - Loneliness
  - Avoiding burnout
  - Dealing with criticism
  - Transitions
  - Embracing diversity
  - Other(s) \_\_\_\_\_

6. If you are a male ministerial spouse, how can your conference, union and the NAD better support you? \_\_\_\_\_
7. If you are a chaplain's spouse, how can your conference, union and the NAD support you?  
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8. Give suggestions on how your conference, union or the NAD can address the unique needs of ministers' children: \_\_\_\_\_
9. You are a spouse of:
- Employed pastor
  - Theology/religion teacher
  - Civilian chaplain
  - Military chaplain
  - Theology/religion student
10. Conference in which you reside: \_\_\_\_\_
11. If you have children, indicate which age category:
- Infant to toddler
  - K - 8th grade
  - High school
  - College and higher
12. Do you have a career in addition to caring for your family and supporting your spouse in ministry?
- Yes
  - No
- If yes, what kind of work do you do? \_\_\_\_\_
13. What are some of your interests and hobbies? \_\_\_\_\_
14. What are some skills/gifts that you would be willing to share/teach other spouses if asked?  
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15. Are you aware of a ministerial spouse support system in your conference?
- Yes
  - No
16. Do you know who is the ministerial spouses' leader or organizer in your conference?
- Yes
  - No
17. Have you participated in any activities/events for ministerial spouses in your conference or in another conference?
- Yes
  - No
18. If yes, on a scale of 1 to 5 (with 5 being highly effective and 1 being low impact), how would you rate these events or activities? \_\_1 \_\_2 \_\_3 \_\_4 \_\_5

**COMMENTS:**

Your input is valuable and we thank you for completing this survey. If you have any questions or would be willing to share your skills/gifts in future activities or ministry for ministerial spouses, please contact one of the following:

- your conference or union ministerial spouse leader
- NAD ministerial associate director for ministerial spouses
- NAD chaplains' spouses lay leader, Debra Anderson at [chaplainspouses@gmail.com](mailto:chaplainspouses@gmail.com)

If you would like to be contacted by the ministerial spouse leader of your conference, please leave your email address here: \_\_\_\_\_ and what conference you are part of here \_\_\_\_\_