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New Ministerial Profile Process to Begin January 31, 2014

The United Church of Christ has created a new Ministerial Profile process that will start on January 31, 2014. This new system was developed based on the conclusions and feedback from a [search and call survey undertaken in 2011](#). This new process will mobilize ministers in search of varied opportunities, standardize the profile validation process for Conferences and Associations, and improve search capabilities among profiles.

The national office has requested that each Conference pass on the following information:

Same Purpose. New Path. The United Church of Christ Ministerial Profile is changing! New technology was developed this year to better meet the needs of authorized ministers, conferences and calling bodies. The new profiles portal goes live on January 31, 2014, already winning praise for being responsive, timely, strategic, and user-friendly. If you have an *approved* vintage profile as of January 31, 2014, it will continue to be honored until the criminal background check expires. Anyone with a current criminal background check may choose to incorporate it into a brand new profile instead. *All* authorized ministers are invited to add information as a searchable "Snapshot" in the profiles portal during the first quarter of 2014. For more information on the new Profile and Snapshot, see: www.ucc.org/ministers/profile.

[This presentation from MESA](#) describes the process using the new tools. This presentation explores the Search and Call process as it will be facilitated by the Ministerial Profile Portal. Click "Start Prezi" and use the left/right arrows to move from scene to scene. Expand the Prezi using "full screen" in the bottom right-hand corner.

[This flyer](#) describes the online portal.

Keep in mind that if you have an approved profile prior to January 31, 2014, it will still be able to be used until the criminal background check expires, at which time a new profile using the new system will need to be created. Conference staff will be trained in using the new profile system in December, and we look forward to using this improved system in the near future.