

**Vocation Questionnaire**  
**Missionaries of the Gospel of Life**

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How and when did you first hear about Priests for Life and Fr. Frank Pavone? Through the Local Pro-Life Group in Neoga (Bishop's Pro-Life Group of the Effingham, IL Deanery)

How and when did you first hear about this new Society of Priests? Priests For Life Website

Please give a description of all the different kinds of pro-life activities you have been involved in, and the pro-life groups with which you have worked, volunteered, or been associated. Attend some Meetings of the Bishop's pro-Life Group of the Effingham Deanery, send letters to elected Representatives (state & Federal), promote pro-life causes, candidates, legislation, Organizations, etc. on a regular basis on my radio Show *The Big B Zone* (<http://big-b.net/bigbzone>), heard Fridays at 4:00pm on internet radio station *The Odyssey* (<http://eiuodyssey.com>), Participated in the Annual Pro-Life "Life Chain" on a couple of Occasions.

When did you first think you might want to become a priest? In Elementary and High School, I always wanted to be a priest. I would always be an altar server, teeter, and Eucharistic Minister every chance I could In Short, I was so fascinated with priests that I just simply could not wait to be one.

When I inquired with the priest who was the Vocations Director for the Diocese of Springfield, IL, he informed me that I needed a Bachelor's Degree and come back to see him. So I thought that it would get my Bachelor's Degree and then enter the seminary. During College, I began to fall in love with something else . . . Radio-TV Broadcasting. During my college years, I even rejected the suggestion of others that I should enter the religious life instead of going into the Broadcasting Field.

It was not until after t had spent 1½ years searching for a job in Broadcasting (After losing my first job in Broadcasting) that I began taking stock of my life . . . basically re-evaluating myself. It was at that time that I began to feel that God was calling me to the religious life as a priest.

What steps have you taken to discern your vocation? Have you talked about it with any other priests? Have you done Church-related work? Attended 2 vocation discernment retreats (Vincentians & Franciscans [O.F.M.]) , been working with Fr. John Titus (Springfield, IL Diocese Vocations Dir.) Since the Fall of 2003, and been consulting Fr. Bill Kessler, Matt Ramage My Pastor Fr. Dennis Kollross, among others.

Have you ever been on a vocation discernment retreat before? Yes.

If so, in what way was it helpful? Learned so much about the various ministries that Religious Prders and the Church in general do on a daily basis.

Are you (or have you ever been) in a seminary? No

Do you play a musical instrument and if so, which one(s)? No

Are you currently employed, and if so, with what company and what are your duties? Yes (See Below)

**Board Operator - November 2004 - Currently**

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Operated the Control Board in the main studio during Broadcasts of EIU and Charleston High School athletic contests that Hit Mix 88.9 WEIU broadcasts when students were not available.

Are you currently a student, and if so, at what institution and in what year of studies? No

Do you think you want to become a priest with the Missionaries of the Gospel of Life? YES

If not, do you think you want to be a deacon, or a brother?