**Guidelines for the Formation of a Sermon Feedback Group**

Each student will organize his or her own sermon feedback group as follows:

* This group would normally consist of four to six members of the congregation.
* The members of the group would ideally represent a cross section of the congregation in age, gender, race, theological orientation, socio-economic status, etc.
* Ideally, the members of the group would be persons who are going to listen to the two sermons of the course assignments, so that they may observe the improvement of the preacher’s preaching.

The process of sermon feedback with the Sermon Feedback Group is as follows:

* Before the first preaching, the preacher offers the group an orientation for sermon feedback, by explaining the “Sermon Feedback Form” and “How to Respond in the Most Helpful Way to Sermons.”
* After each sermon, the preacher convenes a feedback group meeting within a week and facilitates the conversation in a constructive way.
* After each feedback group meeting, the preacher collects the group members’ Sermon Feedback Forms.
* The preacher fills out the “Feedback Summary Form” for each sermon and posts it in Canvas by the deadline.