

Clergy Standing: Renewal or Transfer of Standing Form

In keeping with The Design of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Regions are responsible for reviewing and certifying the Ministerial Standing of all ordained and commissioned Disciples clergy each year. When the region acknowledges your Standing, your name is listed in the official Year Book and Directory of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) for the ensuing year. It is important to know that the Year Book is the primary document the IRS uses to verify ministerial standing, and thus, your eligibility for housing allowance exclusions. Another key value – you cannot enter Search and Call without Standing. Standing reflects your being “accountable to, and up-to-date with” the required denominational criteria for maintaining your ecclesiastical certification.

Please fill out the information below. Items with a red asterisk are required, and the form will not be submitted if any are left blank. You will receive an email with your responses once the form has been submitted. If you do not receive an email (be sure to check your spam folder!), please contact the Regional Office via email: regionaloffice@fldisciples.org

Your standing form is not complete until you click “Submit” at the end of the form. If the form will not submit or if you do not receive a confirmation email, you may have left a required item unanswered. Please check for that before resubmitting and/or contacting the Regional Office.

- Please choose one: *

I am Submitting my Annual Renewal for Standing

I am Under Care of the Commission on Ministry

I am Submitting for Transfer of Standing

Name:

(First)

(Middle)

(Last)

Name of Spouse/Significant Other:

(First)

(Last)

My information has changed since last year.

Primary Address:

(Street)

(Apt)

(City) (State)

(Zip Code)

Phone Numbers:

(Home)

(Office)

(Cell)

Email: _____

Date of Birth:

(MM/DD/YYYY) _____

In the ORDER OF MINISTRY in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Florida, I serve as:

Ordained by Disciples of Christ (list Ordination Region and Date in next two fields)

Ordained by another denomination (list denomination, Date Ordination Recognized and Standing certified in next two fields)

Commissioned by the Christian Church (DOC) in Florida

- Region of Ordination OR Denomination in which ordained

- Date of Ordination or Date Ordination Recognized and Standing certified

I currently serve as: (list all that apply): *

Minister of a Disciples congregation in the Florida Region

Chaplain

Associate Minister

Interim Minister

Student Minister

Student Associate Minister

Non-parish Minister

Disciple Minister serving a non-Disciples congregation

Disciple minister serving a Disciple organization

Minister of Counseling

Other employment but preaching

Retired Minister but still active

Retired Minister and inactive

Other: _____

- Name(s) of Congregation/Institution you served and start date and or end dates:

- Address(es) of Congregation/Institution you serve:

- Congregation/Institution Website

- The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) seeks to be a pro-reconciling anti-racist church. To that end, we seek to maintain an understanding of the diversity of the servants who are leading the church in various ministries. Please mark the ethnicity choice(s) appropriate for you.

African American

Asian

Native American/First Nations

Haitian

Hispanic

Pacific Islander

Middle Eastern

European Descent

Other

- If Other selected for ethnicity choice(s), please share further information here.

- I have reviewed and will adhere to the Ministerial Code of Ethics of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). [If you need to review, the form can be found at <http://www.fldisciples.org/ministerial-life.html>] *
 YES NO
- I will be a faithful minister serving within and supportive of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). [If you need to review the Personal Qualifications for the Order of Ministry, a link for the Theological Foundations and Policies and Criteria for the Ordering of Ministry is posted at www.fldisciples.org and you can read Section II.A.2] *
 YES NO

- Certification for ministry requires participation in "programs of study, growth and renewal" [Theological Foundations and Policies and Criteria for the ordering of Ministry: Section II.F.2.b.ii] In the past year, I have participated in: (please check ALL that apply) *

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Spiritual Retreat | <input type="checkbox"/> General Assembly |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Southeast Convencion | <input type="checkbox"/> District Meeting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Obra Hispana Assembly | <input type="checkbox"/> Disciples Church Camp Experience |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Active service on General and/or Regional commissions/committees/boards | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clergy Retreat | <input type="checkbox"/> National Convocation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> NAPAD Assembly | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Retreats/Workshop(s) at The Retreat at Silver Springs | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Retreats/Workshop(s) at other DOC conference centers/camps | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Webinars through DOC seminaries or DOC general ministries | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Seminary Courses – please specify below | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please specify) _____ | |

- Other continuing education opportunities in which I participated this past year:

- I have completed Boundary Training within the past 5 years. [Please submit the certificate for this if not already done so.]

YES NO Date Completed: _____

- I have completed anti-racism training within the past 5 years. (Please submit the certificate for this if not already done so.)

YES NO Date Completed: _____

- Describe particular challenges and/or joys in your ministry:

- How can we (The Florida Region) be of greater support to you, your family, or your congregation/ministry:

- Identify ways you are involved with Regional and General Church and ecumenical ministries (i/e serving on Commission on Ministry, Leadership Council, committees).

- Suggest continuing education for creative growth in ministry topics that would support your ministry:

- Standing for ministers in active service continues so long as the minister does and reports the following: "...Maintains relations with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) including participating membership in a recognized congregation in the community of residence or active ministry where feasible." [Theological Foundations and Policies and Criteria for the Ordering of Ministry, Section II.F.2.b.iii]

I am a member of (list congregation and location): *

Information in this form will be shared with the Commission on Ministry for review of standing and with the Regional Pastoral Support Team to provide pastoral care.

FINAL STEP:

By submitting this form, I express my desire to continue my Standing. The submission also indicates that I have reviewed and will adhere to the Ministerial Code of Ethics and the Theological Foundations and Policies and Criteria for the Ordering of Ministry of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Signed: _____

Date: _____