

2019 REQUEST FOR STANDING
For ministers certified by the
Georgia Commission on Ministry
Of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

If you desire to receive and/or continue your Standing you must complete and return this form by December 15, 2018, to: Christian Church in Georgia Commission on Ministry, c/o Jennifer Saunders, Regional Office Manager, 2370 Vineville Ave, Macon, GA, 31204 (or email to office@gadisciples.org).

Name: (Please print legal name):

(Last) (First) (Middle)

Home Address

City State Zip
Province Postal Code

Work Address

City - State - Zip-
Province Postal Code

Please use my Home Address Work Address for mail sent to me.

Telephone numbers (include area code) Home _____ Work _____

FAX _____ Cell _____ email _____

Please use my Home phone Work phone Cell phone Email

Complete applicable information below. If you have submitted this information to the Georgia region on a previous Standing form, please skip to #4.

1. Ordination by Disciples of Christ: Region _____ Location _____ Date _____

2. Ordained by another denomination (Specify denomination) _____

Ordination recognized and Standing certified by _____ Date _____

(Region or General Commission on Ministry – GCOM)

3. Commissioned by: Region _____ Ministry location _____

Expiration Date _____

If you are **Retired-Inactive**, please sign here and submit your form:

Signature: _____ Date: _____

4. Type of Ministry in which engaged: _____ Full-time Part-time Bi-vocation

Title or position: _____

Employer: _____

Bi-Vocational Title or Position: _____

Employer: _____

If you are not serving in an active ministry at the present time, please explain:

5. Certification for ministry includes participation in “programs of study, growth, and renewal” (Theological Foundations and Policies and Criteria for the Ordering of Ministry – F.2.b.ii.). Indicate programs in which you have participated in the past 12 months:

6. 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 fill in the ethnicity code(s) that is/are appropriate for you.

African American

Asian

Native American/
First Nations

Haitian

Hispanic

Pacific Islander

Middle Eastern

European Descent

Other

7. Anti-Racism and/or Diversity Training (renewal required at least every 5 years):

Yes, I have received diversity and/or anti-racism training?

From Whom? _____

No _____

8. Healthy Boundary/Sexual Ethics training (renewal required at least every 5 years):

I have completed Healthy Boundary training in the last five years.

Authorizing entity (Region, General Ministry, Hospital, Military, etc.) _____

From Whom? _____

No _____

Authorizing entity (Region, General Ministry, Hospital, Military, etc)

I have taught healthy boundary training. Date last taught _____

When were you last a student in a boundary training class? _____

9. What other training have you had that has enhanced your ministry (e.g. cultural competency)?

10. Describe particular challenges and/or joys in your ministry:

11. Describe ways in which you have taken time for:

A. Spiritual renewal:

B. Physical fitness and healthy activities:

C. Recreation and vacation:

12. Identify ways you stay connected with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ):

13. In what ways can the Georgia Commission on Ministry support your ministry?

If you want to share more information, please submit additional page.

14. 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 F.2.b.iii.) **Please list the DOC congregation you are affiliated with if it is different than the one you serve.**

Congregation: _____ Location: _____

15. Have you ever resigned employment, been asked to resign from official action, had your ministerial or secular employment terminated whether paid or volunteer, or had legal or ecclesiastical action taken against you in whole or in part on allegations of any of the following:

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|-------------------|--|---|--|
| Sexual Harassment | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Financial Misconduct | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| Sexual Misconduct | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Alcohol or substance abuse | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| Physical Abuse | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Violation of the Ministerial Code of Ethics | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| Child Abuse | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | | |

If your answer is "Yes" to any of the above and the matter has not been resolved or explained, please submit the explanation on a separate piece of paper.

If your answer is "Yes" to any of the above and the matter has already been explained on a previous Georgia Region Standing Form, you do not have to resubmit the explanation.

All parties (minister, endorser, Regional Minister) shall notify the Georgia Commission on Ministry of any circumstances or situations that may result in a challenge to a person's Standing.

Please note that requirements for Standing in 2020 have changed to include completion of Continuing Education Units (CEUs). In order to facilitate offering of CEUs, we are considering an annual fee of \$150.00 to be requested in October 2019 when the 2020 Request for Standing letters and forms are sent. The required Pro-Reconciliation & Anti-Racism and Healthy Boundaries workshops will be provided at no cost to you. Please list any courses or training that you would like to see offered by the Region:

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, Policies and Criteria for the Order of Ministry of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), and the Policies and Procedures for Responding to accusations of Clergy Sexual Misconduct of Persons Engaged in Non-Regional Ministries (Copy enclosed)

Signature _____ Date _____

PLEASE MAKE A COPY OF THE COMPLETED FORM FOR YOUR RECORDS