

The Reconciliation Mission of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) was established to address issues of racism, and offerings which are received in support of this ministry are used for the purpose of addressing the root causes of such discrimination. But in our region (Christian Church of Northern California – Nevada), the definition of reconciliation intentionally holds a broader meaning. Approximately 50% of the Reconciliation offerings of this region remain in this region where they are used by our churches to address local issues of poverty, justice, and peacemaking.

In the past ten years, the Christian Church of Northern California-Nevada has given grants to the following organizations (as well as many others). The bolded programs indicate programs funding in the last year:

- ◆ Love, Inc: Helping homeless families find accommodation
- ◆ California Council of Churches
- ◆ Youth United with Peace, to develop cross-cultural understanding among Latino, Asian, and African teenagers
- ◆ IMPACT—advocating for the poor
- ◆ Vineyard ministry—money funded a grantwriter to find funds for supplying food and help to homeless people.
- ◆ Mexico Mission Trip—youth from around the region building houses for poor people in Tijuana
- ◆ Watsonville Christian Church so they could distribute free hymnals and new testaments in Spanish
- ◆ California Council of Churches—Selma Summer Nutrition and Activity Program
- ◆ **GLAD—Breathing Life Conference in Las Vegas**
- ◆ **Antioch First Christian Church, to support Valerie Hagerty’s trip to work with AIDS patients in South Africa.**
- ◆ **Health care for the region’s new Hispanic minister**
- ◆ **Conversations and trainings on race relations across the region**
- ◆ **Sponsoring attendance at North American Pacific-Asian Disciples biennial Convocation by Asian churches in the region as well as by regional leaders.**

The guiding vision of the Reconciliation Committee is to support ministries that promote healing between different groups, and help to establish God’s justice on earth. Not every member believes in every cause we fund, but the group commits itself to promoting the well-being of all of God’s children.