

**CHECKLIST FOR MINISTERS SEEKING TO SERVE WITHIN
THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH (Disciples of Christ)
Traditions other than Partner Churches**

Name: _____ Date _____

If you are an ordained minister (or eligible for ordination) and are not a member of the United Church of Christ or one of the nine denominations recognized as partner churches of the Christian Churches (Disciples of Christ), and you are seeking a ministerial position with the Christian Churches (Disciples of Christ), please complete the following process, sending written materials to:

Regional Minister
Christian Churches (Disciples of Christ)
Of Northern California – Nevada
9260 Alcosta Boulevard, Ste. C-18
San Ramon, CA 94583

- () Completed Application for Ministerial Standing (Appendix. 3 – Order of Ministry Policies)
- () Meeting with Regional Minister or designee
- () Reference Letters (3) as described in above Application
- () A copy of a graduate transcript showing completion of a course in “Disciples History and Polity” or completion of a reading program as directed by the Regional Minister
- () A copy of your ordination certificate and letter of good standing from current regional or denominational executive
- () A complete graduate transcript leading to an M.Div degree or its equivalent
- () A completed, signed, Background Disclosure Form (if not already on file with the Regional Office of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
- () Spiritual Autobiography paper (5-8 pages)
- () Initial meeting with the Recognition and Standing Committee (R & S) who will outline further meetings
- () Understanding of Ordained Ministry paper (5 pages) following initial meeting with R & S
- () Completion of a Search and Call Profile of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
- () Completion of Clergy Ethical Boundary Training within 1 year.

You have the option of personally completing the downloaded forms for use in this Region only or sending them to the Division of Homeland Ministries of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) for entrance into the nationwide data base.

Following the final meeting with Recognition and Standing the applicant may become “Eligible for Ordained Minister Partnership Standing”. Once a call is secured, the Recognition and Standing Committee can grant the eligible minister standing.