## Application for The Order of Ministry

Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Oklahoma

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## **Required Documents** \*Not required if requesting to be Re-Commissioned.

Additional documents required in support of the application include:

- College and seminary transcripts (as applicable)
- Signed Ministerial Code of Ethics (download from https://okdisciples.org/clergy/journey-to-ministry/)
- 3 letters of reference from: (1) an elder of the congregation where you hold membership; (2) a Disciples or UCC minister; and (3) a lay member of a Disciples or UCC congregation who may speak to your gifts for ministry.

## **Required Responses** \*Not required if requesting to be Re-Commissioned.

Please provide a typewritten response to the following questions (500 words or less for each question) and attach to your application.

Question #1. Tell us about your faith journey.

Question #2. Tell us about your understanding of God, Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit.

Question #3. Tell us about your understanding of the church and specifically the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

Question #4. Tell us about your "call" to serve in ministry as a vocation or in a specific type of ministry.

Date

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Page 2 Instructions						
Please complete all sections of Page 1, and sign the Personal Disclosure statement below. Submit your application, required documents, and required responses (saved as PDF files) by email to ebeer@okdisciples.org. Questions? (405) 528-3577						
Once all documents have been received, the Regional Minister will contact you to schedule an appointment to discuss the Type of Application section below and to grant you permission to complete a Ministerial Profile.						
Personal Disclosure Statement any question below is answered Yes (including expungements), please attach an explanation.						
. Have you ever been charged with or convicted of a felony?						
. Have you ever been charged with or convicted of any crime against children or other persons?   Yes   No						
. Is there any other fact or circumstance in your background that should prevent you from being entrusted with the supervision, guidance, and care of children or youth? $\square$ Yes $\square$ No						
y signing below, I certify the information provided above is accurate.						
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The section below must be completed with the assistance of the Regional Minister.						
ype of Application						
am requesting admission to candidacy for:						
Commissioning <sup>1</sup> via the Center for Ministry & Lay Training & current ministry site OR  via being a current seminary student						
Re-Commissioning <sup>2*</sup> Changed my ministry site within last 90 days within the last 12 months.						
Former site Date Departed New site Date to Begin						
☐ No ministry site but seek to be in Search & Call. ☐ A ministry context that is not a Christian Church (DOC) congregation.						
Ordination <sup>1 &amp; 3</sup> □ via Divinity School OR □ via Apprentice Track (see below)						
For Ordination via Apprentice Track you must meet 1 of the following 4 criteria. Check all that apply.  A. Economic: Must have a total annual income at the date of application below 150% of the current, applicable Federal poverty guideline; or must be eligible for or receiving Section 8 housing and food stamps according to State of Oklahoma guidelines.  B. Linguistic: English is not the first language.						

C. Vocational: Must have served at least 10 years as a licensed or commissioned minister in a recognized ministry setting.

D. Familial: Must have an immediate family member for whom the candidate is providing primary care who has a debilitating, chronic

medical condition.

☐ Transfer of Ministerial Credentials<sup>4</sup>

☐ I am an ordained minister. Denomination: —

1 lf accepted, the individual is under the care of the Commission on Clergy and is involved in a specified program of study and formation in preparation for Commissioning or Ordination.

<sup>2</sup>Change of ministry context requires Regional re-Commissioning. Theological Foundations & Policies & Criteria for the Ordering of Ministry of the Christian Church (DOC), I. 586-587

3Authorization to perform ministry on behalf of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) as an ordained minister by completing seminary.

<sup>4</sup>A minister ordained by another denomination who wishes to transfer her/his credentials to the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

NOTE: The step-by-step process for candidacy may be found in "The Journey Toward the Order of Ministry", which may be downloaded from the Regional website at https://okdisciples.org/clergy/journey-to-ministry/