

**NOMINATION FORM
DISCIPLE OF THE YEAR**

ANNUAL MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. AWARD

**CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)
PACIFIC SOUTHWEST REGION**

PREFACE

An award to honor the legacy of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was established by the Pacific Southwest Region (PSWR) in 1974. Each year since that time, one or more members of a Disciple congregation in the PSWR have been recognized for their efforts on behalf of justice and peace, either in their local community or through organizations and initiatives serving these causes beyond the congregation and surrounding communities, nationally and globally. The Regional *Church In Society Committee*, a standing committee of the Region, is currently soliciting nominees for the **DISCIPLE OF THE YEAR** award to be given at the **January 11, 2015 Martin Luther King Celebration**. Please read the guidelines below and recommend an individual(s), congregation or unit who meet those criteria whom you feel ought to be considered for this honor.

GUIDELINES

The nominee shall be an active member of a Disciple congregation and shall have demonstrated his/her commitment as a laborer and witness on behalf of justice and peace. The activity may have been solely as a representative of the congregation in the immediate community served by that congregation, or may have been manifested in work with initiatives and organizations beyond congregational life, in surrounding communities, municipalities, state-wide, throughout the nation or globally. The individual recommended need not have been a formally designated officer of an organization, but should have demonstrated steady, prophetic leadership in the spirit of scripture:

*He has told you, O mortal, what is good:
and what does God require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk
humbly with your God* **Micah 6:8**

*The Spirit of God is upon me,
because God has anointed me to bring good news to the poor,
and has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind,
To let the oppressed go free,
To proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.* **Luke 4:18**

DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS

The deadline for receiving names to be considered for this round is OCT 15, 2014

We regret only one person or entity is named each year, but the names of others nominated will be carried over for subsequent consideration.

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ANNUAL "DISCIPLE OF THE YEAR" MLK AWARD

NOMINEE'S NAME _____

CONGREGATION: _____

MINISTER'S NAME: _____

NOMINATING PERSON(S): _____

NOMINATING PERSON CONTACT INFORMATION:

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____ Address: _____

NOMINATION

In light of the Guidelines, please describe the commitment, effort and accomplishments of this individual to advance the cause of proclaiming God's Good News in Jesus Christ, on behalf of your congregation or, consistent with its mission, to the community and world. Please be specific in identifying activities, dates (in general terms of duration of service), accomplishments and the positive outcomes of those efforts. (Maximum of 250 words)

Your nomination will be considered by the Church in Society Committee, along with the names of other nominees. Once a decision is made, you will be notified either that your nominee was selected or that another nominee was selected. No formal announcement will be made before all persons whose nominees were not selected have been informed that a decision was reached on behalf of another person.

The name of the honoree will be made public prior to the annual MLK event.

Please return the completed form to:

**Pacific Southwest Regional Office, 2401 North Lake St., Altadena, CA 91001-2418 or
E-Mail nomination form to assist@disciplespswr.org and pdk0751@gmail.com**

If you have questions about the nomination process, you may contact:

**Bev Weatherill, Church in Society Committee
1239 E. Lomita, Orange, CA 92867; (714) 639-3079;
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The Church in Society Committee appreciates the time spent in completing this form and the efforts made through this nomination to lift up the efforts of persons associated with your congregation who seek diligently to serve Jesus Christ.

The PSWR Church in Society Committee