

**Screening Application for Elected Office (Minister/Missionary Applicant)**

**Date of Application:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip Code:** \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone: Home:** (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ **Office:** (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

**Cell:** (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ **FAX: Office:** (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DOB:** \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Position for which you are seeking to be elected: \_\_\_\_\_

*All applicants must have a letter of recommendation from the proper authority under which they serve. (Bishops must have a letter from 2 members of the Board of Bishops; Pastors must have a letter from their Jurisdictional Bishop; Supervisor must have a letter from General Supervisor of the Department of Women and their Jurisdictional Bishop and Ministers, Missionaries and Layperson must have a letter from their Pastor.)*

1. **Are you a current Credential Holder?** Yes  No
  
2. **How long have you been a member of the Church Of God In Christ?**  
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3. **Have you ever appeared before the Nominating and/or Screening Committee?**  
Yes  No  (If yes, explain/ include date of last appearance.)  
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4. **Do you currently hold or have you ever held an elected office in the Church Of God In Christ, Inc.**  Yes  No  
If yes, what office, how long and were you reelected? \_\_\_\_\_  
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5. **If you are an incumbent, are you running for the same position?**  
 Yes  No If no, why are you seeking another position?  
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6. List 3 Business, Professional or Church references (cannot be a relative):  
(Names, addresses and phone numbers)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

7. Marital Status:

Single  Married  Separated  Divorced  Widow(er)

If you have been married more than once, please explain:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Number of children: \_\_\_\_\_

8. Educational Achievement:

High School Diploma:  Yes  No Last grade completed? \_\_\_\_\_

Vocational/ Trade School: Years attended: \_\_\_\_\_

Certificate of Completion:  Yes  No

<u>Vocational/Trade School</u>	<u>Degree Earned</u>	<u>Specialization</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

<u>College/ University</u>	<u>Degree Earned</u>	<u>Major</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
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9. Please list areas of ministry skill/specialty: (leadership, administration, program, outreach, etc.)

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Have you had specific training in the areas listed above?  Yes  No  
If yes, please explain.

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10. **Health:**

Do you, or have you experienced any physical, psychological, or emotional conditions which requires treatment?  Yes  No

If yes, has this condition impaired your ability to function, or make sound executive and judicious decisions?  Yes  No

If no, please explain. \_\_\_\_\_

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11. **Legal:**

Has any disciplinary action (i.e. removal from an office or position, suspension, termination, etc) ever been taken against you in the church, whether local, jurisdictional, national or other denomination? If yes, explain.

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Have you been arrested or convicted of a felony? If yes, please explain.

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Is there anything in your past that could possibly bring reproach against the Church Of God In Christ? If yes, please explain.

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12. **Military:**

Did you serve in the United States Military?  Yes  No

Did you receive an honorable discharge?  Yes  No

If no, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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**13. Please list office(s) or appointed position(s) you hold/ held in the National Church:**

<u>Office</u>	<u>Date Appointed/ Elected</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

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**For Ministers and Missionaries Only:**

Name of Church of which you are a member? \_\_\_\_\_

Pastor: \_\_\_\_\_

Jurisdictional Bishop: \_\_\_\_\_

Jurisdiction: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been a member of the Church Of God In Christ? \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you served with the pastor of your current church? \_\_\_\_\_

Of how many churches have you been a member? \_\_\_\_\_

In what year did you receive your license? \_\_\_\_\_

List the positions/ appointments you hold in your local church, jurisdiction or the National Church:

Office

Date Appointed/ Elected

<u>Office</u>	<u>Date Appointed/ Elected</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

**Have you ever been a member of another jurisdiction?**     Yes     No

If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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**GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST, INC.  
APPLICATION FOR ELECTED OFFICE  
IN THE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST, INC.**

**SIGNATURE PAGE**

I hereby certify that the above information is true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that incomplete or false information may render me ineligible for consideration for the position for which I am being screened. \_\_\_\_\_(initials)

I affirm that Article 3, Section D, Paragraph 9 is included on the Articles of Incorporation of the church(es) that I pastor. \_\_\_\_\_(initials)

I acknowledge that a background and criminal background check will be made of all applicants for the election to an elected office and by being an applicant for an elected position in the Church Of God In Christ, I agree and give permission for both the background and criminal background checks to be conducted on me and that I will be assessed a fee for the background check and a criminal background check. \_\_\_\_(initials)

If an incumbent, I acknowledge/affirm that during my present term in office, I am not guilty of any of the offences listed in the Church Of God In Manual, the Church Of God In Christ Sexual Misconduct Policies or any offence that would bring reproach against the Church Of God In Christ, Inc. \_\_\_\_\_ (initials)

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Applicant Signature* \_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

**For Internal Purposes Only:**

**Received by:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_