



2009 Peacemaker Award

The Justice and Peace Ministry Team is calling for nominations for the annual Peacemaker Award. All members of the Conference are eligible, and nominees need not be limited to your own church.

The nominated Peacemaker may be active in any one of an endless list of local, national or worldwide issues. Some of these issues are listed in Guiding Question #1 of the nomination guide found below.

The nomination guide below may be duplicated for use by members of congregation. If you wish to re-nominate someone, please re-submit the nomination paperwork. Be sure to mail your nominations to the Conference office by **May 5, 2009**, for consideration by the Justice and Peace Ministry Team.

NOMINATION GUIDE FOR THE PEACEMAKER AWARD

To aid the committee in its attempt to be objective, please compose your **nomination narrative** in anonymous language. Use XXX in place of the candidate's name. Then create a **cover sheet** with the following information: the name, address, phone (home and work), and home church of the nominee; the name and phone number of nominating body or individual; and the date of the submittal. **Fold this cover sheet in half** and attach it to the front of the nomination narrative, sealed with a piece of tape.

Your **nomination narrative** can be completed either by answering the following questions directly **or** by writing a general narrative that implicitly includes the answers to the questions as they lead your thinking.

Guiding Questions:

1. In what specific peace and justice issues is the candidate engaged both within and beyond the church? Peacemakers work in many related areas. They encourage international friendships, advocate for worker justice and consumer protection in the global economy. They sponsor refugees, challenge racism, promote diversity and safety for all peoples, and call for prevention of war and the elimination of weapons of mass destruction. They urge non-violent conflict resolution achieved democratically among all peoples of the planet. They oppose domination by a single power or an oligarchy of power. They protect the environment, and they address issues of AIDS, homelessness, hunger and illiteracy, women's rights & societal violence. Please identify specific years and specific activities.
2. How is your candidate linking peace and justice work to her/his faith? In what ways does he/she interpret for others the call of the Gospel to peace and justice work? ("God calls us into the Church to . . ." – UCC Statement of Faith)
3. What specific activities or methods does your candidate use to address the issues in which she/he is engaged? Which are the most creative and effective?
4. In what ways does the candidate incarnate "Courage in the struggle for Justice and Peace" -- (from UCC Statement of Faith)?

DEADLINE: MAY 5, 2009

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