

CHRISTIAN POETRY

PURPOSE:

To develop the ability to express spiritual feelings and thoughts in poetry and verse.

PROCESS:

Each participant will:

- Write a poem whose content reflects the current year's theme
- Mail **two copies** of the entry to the Event Coordinator on or before the pre-convention event deadline.

The Church Coordinator or coach will:

- Complete all General Event Rules (p 19) and Pre-Convention Event Rules (p 20).

The Event Coordinator will:

- Complete all General Event Rules (p 19) and Pre-Convention Event Rules (p 20).
- Assemble an anthology for the display of poems at the convention

The Judge will:

- Complete all Pre-Convention Event Rules (p 20).

RULES:

1. The poem may be written in any meter or rhythm. It does not have to rhyme. Poems that do rhyme can adhere to any rhyme scheme.
2. Poems will start with a title line.
3. Each poem will be typewritten and shall not exceed one 8 ½ x 11 page. Sixth grade and under may submit handwritten work if neat and orderly.

SUBMISSION:

Typed cover sheet should follow this format:

<i>Format:</i>	<i>Example:</i>
Name	A. Christian
Grade	9th Grade
Congregation	Anywhere Church of Christ
Congregation City, State	Any City, State
Congregation Number	2345
Title of Poem	"(your title)"
Category	Christian Poetry

Christian Poetry 2012 Heart of America Leadership Training for Christ “Journey of Faith” Genesis		Event Coordinator's award:		
		Gold	Silver	Bronze
	Exemplary	Competent	Developing	
Connection to LTC Theme	<input type="checkbox"/> Theme stands out and is strongly supported in essay.	<input type="checkbox"/> Theme is evident and supported by essay.	<input type="checkbox"/> Attention is needed to strengthen the evidence of theme.	
Form	<input type="checkbox"/> Creatively uses an appropriate poetic form.	<input type="checkbox"/> Good use of appropriate poetic form.	<input type="checkbox"/> Attention needed to enhance poetic form.	
Poetic Techniques	<input type="checkbox"/> Very effective in using poetic techniques to reinforce message.	<input type="checkbox"/> Effective in using poetic techniques to reinforce message.	<input type="checkbox"/> Attention needed to enhance poetic technique in reinforcing message.	
Readability	<input type="checkbox"/> Poem is very engaging and very enjoyable to read. <input type="checkbox"/> Poem presents a clear and complete picture in the reader's mind. <input type="checkbox"/> Thought and time was put into this poem.	<input type="checkbox"/> Poem is engaging and enjoyable to read. <input type="checkbox"/> Poem presents a picture in the reader's mind. <input type="checkbox"/> Thought and time is evident.	<input type="checkbox"/> Attention is needed to make poem more engaging and enjoyable. <input type="checkbox"/> Attention is needed to enhance poem's purpose. <input type="checkbox"/> More thought and time is needed for this poem.	
Writing Substance	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent use of grammar. <input type="checkbox"/> No spelling errors. <input type="checkbox"/> Organization of thoughts is strong and evident.	<input type="checkbox"/> Minimal grammar errors. <input type="checkbox"/> Minimal spelling errors <input type="checkbox"/> Organization of thoughts is evident.	<input type="checkbox"/> Attention needed with grammar errors. <input type="checkbox"/> Attention needed with spelling errors. <input type="checkbox"/> Attention needed with organization of thoughts.	
Format and Submission	<input type="checkbox"/> Proper format for submission per manual.	<input type="checkbox"/> Submission mostly proper per manual.	<input type="checkbox"/> Lacks proper submission requirements per manual.	
Spirituality	<input type="checkbox"/> This poem is definitely spiritually encouraging and / or thought provoking.	<input type="checkbox"/> This poem is spiritually encouraging and / or thought provoking.	<input type="checkbox"/> Attention is needed to make the poem more spiritually encouraging and /or thought provoking.	
Judge's comments:				
Please help us improve this rubric each year by submitting Feedback on the website within 30 days of the end of the convention.				