

# MEMORANDUM

**TO: All Rostered Leaders and Congregations**

**FROM: The 2010 Synod Nominating Committee**

**RE: Nominations for 2010 Synod Assembly elections**

The Nominating Committee solicits the names of prospective nominees for the elections, which will be held at the 2010 Synod Assembly, June 3 - 5. Please read through the attached “Job Descriptions” and “Constitutional Requirements” and then identify persons whose gifts and skills match those in the job description and whom you think would be good nominees for the positions to be filled. Please feel free to make additional copies of the Nominating Form. The position descriptions and nominating form is also available on the Synod webpage at [www.socalsynod.org](http://www.socalsynod.org).

The names of nominees must reach the Synod Office **no later than Feb. 15, 2010**, in order to be considered by the Nominating Committee. Suggested nominees will not be placed on the ballot automatically. The Nominating Committee will make the final selection based on various criteria such as gender, geography, age, ethnicity, frequency of service, etc. As in all synod elections, in addition to the names placed in nomination by the Nominating Committee, additional nominations may be made from the floor of the Assembly.

The following elections will be held at the 2010 Synod Assembly:

**Synod Council Treasurer (Term Ending: 2013)**

**Synod Council Secretary (Term Ending 2013)**

**Five At-Large Synod Council Members (Term Ending: 2013)**

*Criteria: clergy or lay; male or female*

**One Youth Representative – Synod Council (Term Ending: 2012)**

*Criteria: MALE in 10<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> grade at the time of election*

**Ten Voting Members to the 2011 Churchwide Assembly**

Delegation includes the synod bishop and vice president in addition to eight at-large representatives.

The composition of the voting members elected by the synod for service in the Churchwide Assembly reflects the representation principles of this church:

- At least 60% of the voting members shall be laypersons-half of them female and half of them male.
- About 40% shall be ordained ministers.
- 10% of the voting members are to be persons of color or persons whose primary language is other than English.
- 10% of the voting members are to be youth and young adults (ages 14 – 29)

**One At-Large position on Endowment Committee *Term Ending 2013***

**Four Synod Council Conference Representatives** (Term Ending: 2013) will also be elected. They are nominated by the conferences at their Spring Conference Assemblies and presented to the Nominating Committee for election at the Synod Assembly (with a yes/no vote). The three conferences electing representatives are:

- Central Coast: James Gilbert (ineligible for an additional term)
- Channel Islands: Ted Jensen (eligible for an additional term)
- Foothill: Pr. Ed McGee (ineligible for an additional term)
- Greater Long Beach: Truman Risa (ineligible for an additional term)

You may make as many copies of the suggested nominee form as needed.

The 2010 Nominating Committee: Mark Davis, chair; Marzia Allegría; Pr. Jim Proper; Judith Tutt-Starr; and AIM Nancy Ackerman, staff.

Enclosures:      Job Descriptions/Constitutional Requirements  
                         Nominating Form