

Biography of Jacqui El Torro

Let me first say thank to Women of The NALC for voting for an unknown first timer from Georgia. I am still humbled by the election process. As a means of introduction, I am Jacqui El Torro member of A New Thing Christian Church in Lithonia, Georgia. It is my privilege to have the Mid-South Mission District Dean Rev. Trina Petersen as my Pastor. I am married with two adult children.

Now to who I am, I am a servant of Jesus Christ, I am passionate about women's ministry and social justice. My greatest joys come from the human experience. Girl Scouts has been a part of my life for over 50 years. I enjoy teaching girls/children about the wonderful gifts that God has given to us in nature. Exploring various cultures through the eyes and pure spirit of a child is a blessing beyond compare to me. I am a member of two national organizations, Gamaliel, an advocacy organization and Balm in Gilead, a HIV/AIDS awareness organization. My favorite genre of music is jazz, my favorite artist is Minnie Riperton but I love all music as it soothes my spirit.

I am excited about this new role as Council member, I just completed four years as Vice President of the Southeastern Synod Women of the ELCA. This will be a bit different, yet the same in that women of faith are coming together to do the work of the church. I am on the Missions Support Team for there is no greater joy than sharing the gospel and the good news of Jesus Christ with others. Scripture tells us to go and make disciples.

There is a high probability that I will ask a lot of questions. Most will be for clarity and some will be to initiate conversation. I want to get to know everyone on a personal level, relationships enhance the human experience. I look forward to meeting with all of the ladies in Ohio and the five states of the Mid-South. I am looking forward all of the new relationships that God is blessing me with.