

ENTRY FORM:

HARDGOSPEL
HYMNWRITING
COMPETITION

Name of Entrant:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Song Title:

Writer(s) - full names, no initials:

DEADLINE: SATURDAY 1ST DECEMBER 2007

You may enter as many songs as you wish.

RULES AND REGULATIONS:

1. Each entry must include the following:
 - Completed entry form (photocopy is acceptable) with original signature
 - Song on CD or tape. If you are submitting multiple songs, please put them all on one CD or tape, if possible. If entering a CD, submit the entry in a regular-sized CD case (not an ultra-thin case) and label the spine with entrant's name in black marker. Also, be certain that the entrant's name is marked directly on the CD, CDR, or tape. If entering a tape, label the spine of the case with entrant's name. Please include a track listing of the songs in the correct order.
 - Two copies of the lyric sheet for each entry (please include English translation, if applicable, and type or print legibly). Do not send sheet music with your entry.
 - Mail entries to: The Hard Gospel Project | Church of Ireland House | Church Avenue | Rathmines | Dublin 6 | Rep of Ireland
2. All entries submitted must be original songs and shall not infringe any copyrights or any other rights of any third parties. Entrant shall, by entering, indemnify and hold the Hard Gospel Project harmless from and against any claims inconsistent with the foregoing. In the interests of publishing and circulating the winning entry for performances in Church of Ireland churches the copyright of the winning song shall be held by the Representative Church Body Dublin.
3. The Hard Gospel Project is open to all amateur and professional songwriters and entrants from all nationalities and backgrounds. Submissions are judged on the basis of creativity, originality, lyrics, melody and composition. Employees of the Hard Gospel, its families, subsidiaries and affiliates are not eligible. If entrant is under 18 years old, the signature of a parent or guardian is required.
4. The Hard Gospel Project does not give feedback or a critique to entrants. The hymn must be suitable to be performed in a variety of settings and on a variety of instruments.
5. Entry materials (CDs or tapes) submitted will not be returned to the entrant. The Hard Gospel Project is not responsible for late, lost, damaged, misdirected, postage due, stolen, or misappropriated entries.
6. Entries will be screened by the Hard Gospel Project, and the finalists will be sent to the judges who will select the winners. Lyrics may be in any language, but should be sensitive to a variety of performers. Quality of performance and production will not be considered. All prizes will be awarded to the first name as it appears on the entry form, and division of prizes among co-authors is the responsibility of winners.
7. There is just one prize for this competition. The deadline for entries is Saturday 1st December. The winner will be announced on 1st January 2008 and the Discovery Gospel Choir will perform the world-premiere of the hymn at the Hard Gospel Immigration conference in the Emmaus Retreat Centre, Dublin on Saturday 18th January 2008. The Hard Gospel Project will use its best efforts to announce the winner at the designated time, but will not be held liable for any unforeseen delays. The winner will be notified by email or phone. The winner will be required to sign an affidavit confirming that the winner's song is original. Failure to sign and return the form within the required time period or provision of false information may result in disqualification and an alternate winner may be selected. Affidavits are subject to verification by the Hard Gospel Project and its agents.
8. Prizes: Grand Prize winner will receive €1,000.00 cheque. The song will also be transcribed, published and sent to every Church of Ireland parish in the country for performance. There will be no transfer and substitution of prize except as necessary due to availability in which case a prize of equal or greater value will be awarded. The winner will agree to release the Hard Gospel Project and sponsors from all liability regarding prizes won. All taxes and customs fees, when applicable, are the sole responsibility of winner. The Hard Gospel Project will not pay any winners' taxes. The Grand Prize will be sent out within a reasonable amount of time and the Hard Gospel Project will use its best efforts to send prizes out in a timely fashion. If the winner has not received any portion of the prize within 180 days and has not responded to the Hard Gospel Project communication, the Hard Gospel Project will no longer be responsible for delivery of prizes.
9. Entrant agrees that should his/her song(s) be selected as a winner, the Hard Gospel Project shall have the right to transcript and publish the song for general use in the Church of Ireland.
10. The Representative Church Body retains all ownership rights only to the winning song. All other submitted song(s) are the ownership of the author(s).
11. Entrants acknowledges that all songs entered may be distributed to the judge who will be selecting the winners, and entrants agree to release, indemnify, and hold the Hard Gospel Project, its sponsors, and judges harmless for liability, damages, or claims for injury or loss to any person or property relating to, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, participation in the Hard Gospel Project hymn-writing competition.
12. By entering the hymn-writing competition, the entrant and/or their parents or legal guardian (if such entrant is a minor) agree to accept and be bound by the decisions of the Hard Gospel Project and its judges which are final and binding in all matters. Entrant agrees to be bound by all terms of these official Hard Gospel Rules and Regulations as established herein.



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Calling all musicians and songwriters

The Hard Gospel Project represents a commitment by the Church of Ireland to reexamine at every level of its life, what it means to fulfill Christ's greatest command 'to love God and love your neighbour as yourself'.

The Hard Gospel Project is therefore looking for talented songwriters to translate this value into a new hymn for use in Church of Ireland churches throughout the island.

The winning entry will be premiered by the Discovery Gospel Choir at the Hard Gospel Immigration Conference on Saturday 19th January 2008, Emmaus Retreat Centre, Dublin.

And the winning entry will also be published and circulated for use in Church of Ireland churches throughout the country.

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Entry forms available at
www.hardgospel.net

Entries sent to
The Hard Gospel Project,
Church of Ireland House,
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Rathmines,
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Overall grand prize
€1000.00 cheque