

**Vision:**

The Covenant of the Goddess envisions a world where all living beings are honored and cherished as manifestations of the Sacred.

**Mission:**

We, the Covenant of the Goddess, through advocacy, education, interfaith action, and resource sharing, empower Witches and Wiccans to protect, strengthen, and enrich our religion, society, and the Earth.

**MORE INFORMATION:**

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## PURPOSE

Founded in 1975, The Covenant of the Goddess is an advocacy organization that seeks to foster cooperation among Witches and Wiccans; secure legal protection; provide education through outreach, and to nurture its members through dialog and community.

The Covenant of the Goddess is incorporated as a non-profit religious organization in California, though it has grown to be an international organization. It is a confederation of covens and solitaires from various traditions, who share in the worship of the Goddess and the Old Gods and subscribe to a common code of ethics.

The Covenant publishes a newsletter; issues ministerial credentials; sponsors a national annual festival; stands as a resource for information on Witchcraft and Wicca; engages in interfaith work, and local community outreach through its Local Councils.

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## LOCAL COUNCILS

A smaller branch of the Covenant, consisting of at least three member covens from at least two different traditions. Local Councils must meet at least twice a year. A

Local Council may choose to initiate independent projects, sponsor local festivals and workshops, and generally works together for common goals close to home. As the Covenant continues to grow, we encourage new member covens in close proximity to form new Local Councils.

## MEMBERSHIP

### Coven or Solitary

Any Goddess-supporting coven or individual may be eligible for membership in the Covenant if certain criteria are met. If a coven or solitaire is in an area near a Local Council, the National Membership Officer will forward the inquiry.

Applicants must be recommended without reservation by two individuals well known to the Covenant.

The Covenant offers Ministerial Credentials to eligible members. Once granted, the member is responsible for registering as clergy in their own state, as well as understanding and abiding by all laws which apply to clergy in their area.

### Eligibility

- Generally focus theology and ritual around the worship of the Goddess and the Old Gods (or the Goddess alone).
- Believe in and follow a code of ethics compatible with that of the Covenant.
- Have been meeting at least monthly for six months or more.
- Have three or more members formally accepted into the clergy.
- Be a cohesive, self-perpetuating group.
- Identify themselves as "Witch" or "Wiccan."

### Finances

The annual membership tithe is established each year at Grand Council to cover the various expenses of the Covenant. Additional financial resources are gained through fundraising. Direct contributions to the Covenant of the Goddess are greatly appreciated and are fully tax-deductible.