

Youth of Grace

Summer Staff Application Packet

Dear Summer Staff Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the Summer Staff internship program with the youth group at Grace Evangelical Presbyterian Church!

This is an opportunity that has been available to college students for over 14 years and we have seen God do some amazing things through this program. We believe strongly in the importance of building relationships with youth and in teaching the Gospel to them. It is a privilege and honor to serve in this capacity and we have been praying for the team that God will bring together. Enclosed is material that will help us get to know you better, as well as help you understand the commitment that we expect from our Summer Staff.

This internship is a full-time program that will keep you busy from Tuesday -Sunday (Monday's are days off). You will be sent on various mission trips as well so there is no time for you to take college classes or work part time. The internship pays \$1,650 for the summer and housing is provided. Female staff will live in a house a mile from the church and the male staff lives in a classroom at the church. We are looking for men and women that know and love Christ and who are excited about committing to getting to know the teenagers at Grace. Please prayerfully consider this commitment.

Applications are due back to the church office by the deadline of **April 1st**. You will hear from that following week with our decisions for Summer Staff 2016. All of the information you provide us will be kept confidential.

I am excited that you are considering spending your summer serving Christ with the Youth of Grace! If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call or email.

In Christ,



Director of Youth Ministry
785-843-2005
tyler@gepc.org

CHECKLIST FOR RETURNING YOUR APPLICATION

Please check to make sure you have:

_____ **Prayerfully considered this commitment**

Please take the time to pray and think through this commitment. We encourage you to seek the counsel of family and friends regarding your commitment.

_____ **Completed and signed all of the Summer Staff Application**

_____ **Read and signed the Grace EPC Essentials Document**

This document must be agreed upon and signed by all who desire to work at Grace EPC. If you have questions about our Essentials, or would like to talk about any part of it, please contact the Youth Ministry Office to talk to a staff member.

Minimum Qualifications

- Personal faith in Jesus Christ
- Out of high school for a minimum of one year
- A desire to learn
- Valid driver's license
- Auto insurance
- Good driving record
- Agrees with the EPC Essentials of Faith
- Committed for entire summer (May 26-Aug 1, 2016)

Desired Qualifications

- Team player
- Good communication skills, organization and planning skills
- Creativity
- Able to articulate the Gospel to 12-18 year olds
- Leadership experience
- Good overall knowledge of the Bible
- A love for God's people

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Summer Staff Application

THIS SPACE FOR YOUTH MINISTRY STAFF USE ONLY

Date of Application: _____

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name _____ Nickname _____
Current Address _____ Permanent Address _____
City/State/Zip _____ City/State/Zip _____
Home Phone (____) _____ Cell Phone (____) _____
Date of Birth ____ / ____ / ____ Email _____
Do you have your own transportation? _____

EDUCATION

High School _____ State _____ Grad Yr. _____
College _____ State _____ Grad Yr. _____
Degree _____
Graduate School _____ State _____ Grad Yr. _____
Degree _____
Current Job Status _____ Part Time _____ Full Time _____ Student
Employer _____ # Hours a Week _____
Work Phone _____ Can you receive calls at work _____

PERSONAL INTERESTS

List your favorites below.

Sport to play and watch _____ Authors _____
Movie _____ TV Show _____
Type of Music _____ Website _____
Magazine _____ Junk Food _____

REFERENCES

Please list 3 references (please do not list relatives)

1. Name _____ Phone _____
Relationship to you _____ Work Phone _____

2. Name _____ Phone _____
Relationship to you _____ Work Phone _____

3. Name _____ Phone _____
Relationship to you _____ Work Phone _____

SPIRITUAL INFORMATION

Where do you currently attend church? _____

Are you a member of Grace EPC? Y N If no, which church? _____

Have you been baptized? Y N If yes, when and where? _____

(Please use extra sheet included if necessary)

1. When and how did you become a Christian?

2. What are you doing to grow spiritually and what is God trying to change in you currently?

3. Who is God?

4. Who is Jesus?

5. Who is the Holy Spirit?

6. What is the church?

7. Why do you want to be on Summer Staff this summer?

8. Are there any special issues or concerns happening in your life right now that would have an impact in your commitment and involvement on Summer Staff? (e.g., relationships, health, athletics, other commitments, etc.)

9. Describe any other ministry / church experience you have been involved with.

10. What spiritual gifts do you feel you have, and how would you like to use them in youth ministry?

11. What are some of your expectations of the Summer Staff team?

12. Do you have any experience or interest in working or leading in the following ministry areas? If so, please describe and state your level of skill.

Worship/Music _____

Media (computers, video, powerpoint) _____

Drama/Skit Ministry _____

13. What are your plans for the following year after the summer is over?

14. Why do you believe you should be accepted into the Summer Staff program?



What is your belief on the following issues?

Drinking Alcohol _____

Smoking/Tobacco Use _____

Drugs (Marijuana, Pills, Steroids) _____

Premarital Sex _____

Homosexuality _____

Pornography _____

Gambling _____

Co-ed Living _____

How do you think decisions you make in your private life affect your ministry as a role model of Christ to these students? _____

SELF DESCRIPTION

Please *circle* the words that best describe you, *cross out* words that least describe you, and don't do anything to words that you are undecided on.

trustworthy dependable active compassionate reliable self-starter punctual leader

flexible quick thinker spontaneous decisive teachable team player humorous thoughtful solitary

cautious risk taker patient reflective honest organized creative disciplined faithful

Please list any personal weaknesses, areas where you need to grow, or special concerns that would affect your ministry with students.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Have you, at any time, been involved in or accused, rightly or wrongly, of sexual abuse, maltreatment, or neglect?

yes no

Have you ever been accused or convicted of possession / sales of controlled substances or of driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs?

yes no

Are you using illegal drugs?

yes no

Have you been arrested or convicted of any criminal act more serious than a traffic violation?

yes no

Have you ever been involved romantically or sexually with any student in the youth ministry, or had sexual relations with any minor after you became an adult?

yes no

Have you ever been a victim of any form of child abuse?

yes no

If yes, would you like to speak to a counselor or pastor?

yes no

Have you ever gone through treatment for alcohol or drug abuse?

yes no

Have you ever been asked to step away from ministry or work with students or children in any setting, paid or volunteer?

yes no

Is there anything in your past or current life that might be a problem if we found out about it later?

yes no

If the answer to any of the above questions is yes, please attach another page and write a full explanation. These will be discussed confidentially during your interview.

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about your background or your interest in the Summer Staff experience at Grace? _____

Additional comments: _____

The information contained in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge. I, the undersigned, give my authorization to Grace Evangelical Presbyterian Church and/or its representatives to release any and all records or information relating to working with minors. Grace EPC may contact my references and appropriate government agencies as deemed necessary in order to verify my suitability as a youth worker. I understand that the personal information in this application will be held confidential by the professional church staff.

Should my application be accepted, I agree to be bound by the policies of Grace EPC, and to refrain from conduct unbecoming to Christ in the performance of my services on behalf of Grace EPC. If I violate these guidelines, I understand that my status with the Youth of Grace may be terminated. By signing this application, I state that all of the information given about myself is true.

Print Name _____ Date _____

Signature _____ Date _____

**COMPLETED APPLICATIONS CAN BE
DROPPED OFF AT THE CHURCH OFFICE**

Or emailed or snail-mailed to:

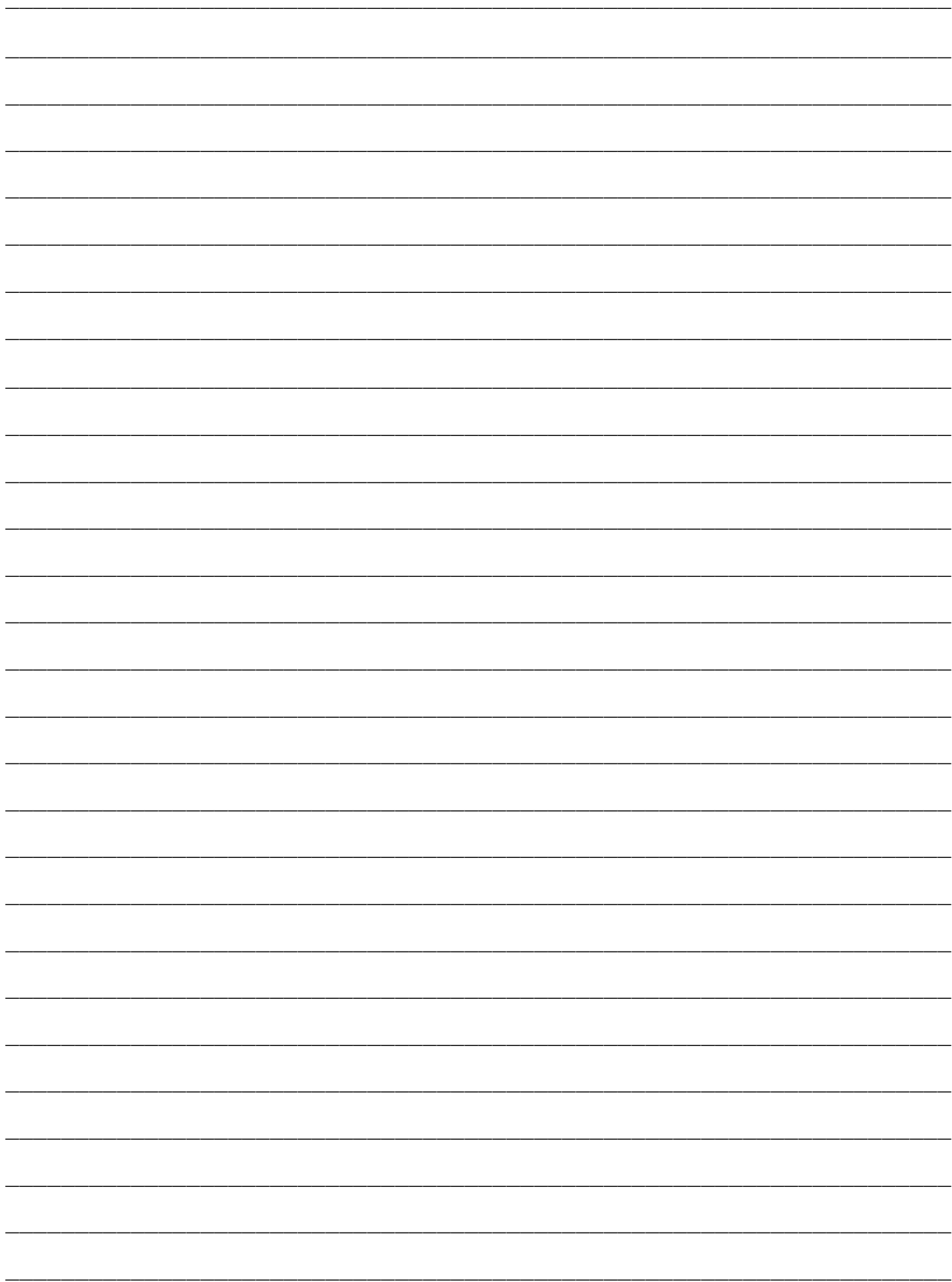
Grace EPC

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Essentials Held by the Evangelical Presbyterian Church

All Scripture is self-attesting and being Truth, requires our unreserved submission in all areas of life. The infallible Word of God, the sixty-six books of the Old and New Testaments, is a complete unified witness to God's redemptive acts culminating in the incarnation of the Living Word, the Lord Jesus Christ. The Bible, uniquely and fully inspired by the Holy Spirit is the supreme and final authority on all matters on which it speaks.

On this sure foundation we affirm these additional Essentials of our faith:

1. We believe in one God, the sovereign Creator and Sustainer of all things, infinitely perfect and eternally existing in three Persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. To Him be all honor, glory and praise forever!
2. Jesus Christ, the Living Word, became flesh through His miraculous conception by the Holy Spirit and His virgin birth. He who is true God became true man united in one Person forever. He died on the cross a sacrifice for our sins according to the Scriptures. On the third day He arose bodily from the dead, ascended into heaven, where, at the right hand of the Majesty on High, He now is our High Priest and Mediator.
3. The Holy Spirit has come to glorify Christ and to apply the saving work of Christ to our hearts, He gives new life to us, empowers and imparts gifts to us for service. He instructs and guides us into all truth, and seals us for the day of redemption.
4. Being estranged from God and condemned by our sinfulness, our salvation is wholly dependent upon the work of God's free grace. God credits His righteousness to those who put their faith in Christ alone for their salvation, thereby justifies them in His sight. Only such as are born of the Holy Spirit and receive Jesus Christ become children of God and heirs of eternal life.
5. The true church is composed of all persons who through saving faith in Jesus Christ and the sanctifying work of the Holy Spirit are united together in the body of Christ. The Church finds her visible, yet imperfect, expression in local congregations where the Word of God is preached in its purity and the sacraments are administered in their integrity; where scriptural discipline is practiced, and where loving fellowship is maintained. For her perfecting, she awaits the return of her Lord.
6. Jesus Christ will come again to earth - personally, visibly, and bodily - to judge the living and the dead, and to consummate history and the eternal plan of God. "Even so, come, Lord Jesus." (Rev. 22:20)
7. The Lord Jesus commands all believers to proclaim the Gospel throughout the world and to make disciples of all nations. Obedience to the Great Commission requires total commitment to "Him who loves us and gave Himself for us." He calls us to a life of self-denying love and service. "For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them." (Eph.2:10)

These Essentials are set forth in greater detail in the Westminster Confession of Faith.

(*for more information about the core beliefs of the EPC visit: www.epc.org/faqs/index.html)

Signature _____