



# Life Teen Summer Staff Youth Ministry Missionary Internship

## Your Mission:

Answer the calling of Christ to serving sr. high & jr. high teenagers and leading them closer to Christ.

## Your Internship:

Receive over 400 hours of practical youth ministry training and experience in the following areas:

- Spiritual formation and accountability
- Liturgy planning and preparation
- Relational youth ministry training and experience
- Deepen your understanding of the Catholic faith
- Youth protection training
- Creation / completion of games and teachings
- Practice in public speaking
- Small group training and implementation
- Learn coordination of multiple projects
- Build skills in time management
- Collaborative team-building
- Coordination of outreach and service
- Experience structured and sacramental daily prayer life
- Minister along side 20 other young adults with the same goals and mission and build friendships that will last a lifetime.

## Your Reward:

An experience that will change the way that you live your life and open you up to the reality that Jesus Christ is calling you and using you RIGHT NOW to build up His kingdom on earth.

## Missionary Sponsor Program

We understand that as a college student you need to provide for yourself during the summertime, so we are prepared to help you be successful. Since this is a mission trip, you need to fully treat it as one. Part of your mission will be finding sponsors who will support you spiritually with prayers and financially with donations. In any mission, you need to find people who will commit to offer prayers for you everyday through daily Mass, a rosary, a chaplet, a holy hour or whatever source they can offer. In return you will bring them and their families with you in prayer.

Once you find those committed to prayer then you will find those that will support you financially. You will need to find financial supporters that will tithe small and large amounts so you can reach your goal of \$700 raised. These supporters need to be outside of your immediate family. Life Teen will help you by providing letter templates and donation cards that you can send your extended family, friends, parishes, etc. in order to bring others into your mission and the mission of Life Teen. Life Teen will also match the amount that you raise from your supporters up to \$700. Whatever you raise in addition to the matching funds from Life Teen will be given to you at the end of your mission. For example, if you raise \$700, Life Teen will match that \$700 and give you a check for \$1400 at the end of your mission. We know that this is not as much as you might make, but the experience of the mission and the training from the internship will provide a great avenue for the Lord to continue to work for the rest of your life.

## Life Teen Summer Staff Application Process

Complete Application and background check.

**Step 1:** Direct, produce, and record a video (DVD only) that shows what you are all about. Show your school, your friends, your ministry, your life, your family, your faith...EVERYTHING. Your autobiography needs to be 3-5 minutes, no longer. Label the outside of your video with your full name and make 2 copies.

**Step 2:** Collect 3 individual letters of recommendation. These need to come from someone outside your immediate family. (i.e. Youth minister, priest, deacon, teacher, employer, etc.)

**Step 3:** Mail the application, background check, 2 copies of your video, and the three letters of recommendation to:

Life Teen Summer Staff  
Camp Covecrest  
25 Falls Dr.  
Tiger, GA 30576

An email will be sent to you stating that we have received your entire application. (If you do not receive an email within 2 weeks of mailing your application, give us a call.) You will then be contacted and interviewed over the phone by a member of the summer staff selection committee. After the phone interview, we will contact you with a letter stating your status for the summer. Identify where you will receive mail prior to March 15. We will have our summer teams chosen by March 15, 2009.

If you have any questions regarding the application process, please contact Christina McShane at cmeshane@lifeteen.com or 706-782-5961.

Upon acceptance you will be responsible for all travel arrangements to and from the nearest airport location of the camp (Atlanta or Phoenix) that you will serve. Your commitment will be from the first date listed on your session to the last date. You will remain with the camp team for the entire session. As a team we will be going on excursions, so any spending money will be at your discretion. Life Teen will provide meals, housing, linens, and transportation with the session time.



# Life Teen Summer Staff Application

## APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY JANUARY 30, 2009

Type or print clearly. Submit this application with your video & letters of recommendation.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Birth date:** m \_\_\_\_ d \_\_\_\_ y \_\_\_\_\_

**Facebook or Myspace:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**T-Shirt Size:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address, City, State, Zip:** (Where you get mail until March 15, 2008)  
 (If you are receiving mail other than in the US, write the address as it appears in mail form.) \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ (Please provide best number to reach you at)

**Driver's License: State/Country:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please number according to your preferred mission. (Mark 1<sup>st</sup> with your first choice, 2<sup>nd</sup> with your second, and 3<sup>rd</sup> with your third.)

\_\_\_\_\_ (6 weeks) Mission Field #1: Camp Covecrest, Tiger, GA. This session will begin on Sunday, May 17 and end on Sunday, June 28, 2009.

\_\_\_\_\_ (5 weeks) Mission Field #2: Camp Covecrest, Tiger, GA. This session will begin on Sunday, June 28 and end on Monday, August 3, 2009.

\_\_\_\_\_ (5 weeks) Mission Field #3: Camp Tepeyac, Prescott, AZ. This session will begin on Sunday June 28 and end on Monday, August 3, 2009.

**Please complete the following on an additional page.**

- What parish do you call home?
- Describe your knowledge/involvement of the Life Teen ministry.
- How did you hear about Life Teen summer staff?
- Describe any previous camp experience.
- Why do you want to be a part of Summer Staff?
- Describe your faith.
- Do you have limitations that may prevent you from any rigorous activities? Explain.
- Identify the following in which you are qualified on next page. Explain.

1. Play an instrument
2. Sing
3. Audio/Video
4. Photography
5. Website maintenance/design
6. Medical Staff
7. Liturgy Prep.

Lastly, please write a 500 word essay describing why you believe that Christ is calling you to minister as a Life Teen summer staff member. Please include what you feel your strengths and weaknesses will be in carrying out this mission.

Being a part of Life Teen is both a gift and a responsibility. We are grateful to you for your willingness to volunteer your time and gifts. **Please initial each of the statements below.**

\_\_\_\_\_ I declare that all statements contained in this application are true and that any misrepresentation or omission is cause for rejection of my application or dismissal from my ministry involvement.

\_\_\_\_\_ I hereby authorize Life Teen to conduct a personal and professional background check for the purpose of my applications at Life Teen Camps. Life Teen may contact any references, past and current employers, church, youth organizations, agencies where volunteer service has been completed, and any individual or organization which might be relevant to my desired position. I hereby release all of the above stated persons from any and all liability for all damages that might occur during the Life Teen contact with the individuals for purposes of employment or volunteer services.

\_\_\_\_\_ I also hereby give complete permission to Life Teen to conduct a criminal background check, arrest records check, abuse registry check, and driving record check for the purpose of my employment or volunteer services.

\_\_\_\_\_ I waive any right that I may have to inspect any information provided about me by the persons previously mentioned. I have also read and understand the above stated information within this release and am signing below of my own free will.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that a criminal background check will be conducted prior to and during my service. I authorize investigations or all statements contained in the application.

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree to observe all the Life Teen guidelines and policies for the program for which I am applying.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that Life Teen has a ZERO TOLERANCE FOR ABUSE and takes all allegation of abuse seriously. I further understand that Life Teen cooperates fully with the authorities to investigate all cases of alleged abuse. Abuse of minors or vulnerable adults is grounds for immediate dismissal and possible criminal charges.

\_\_\_\_\_ I declare that I have not perpetrated physical abuse, sexual abuse, emotional abuse, or neglect against a minor or a vulnerable adult and that I have never been accused of these acts.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that I can withdraw from the application process at any time.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand and agree that false statements and/or omissions regarding past conduct and/or present situation may be grounds for denial of the application to provide employment and/or volunteer services and that refusal to inform Life Teen of the contents of a sealed criminal record will result in the automatic denial of the application.

\_\_\_\_\_ My signature indicates that I have read and understand the above.  
**Do not sign until you have read and initialed the above statements.**

Your Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
 Life Teen Staff Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_