

## Application for General Convention Official Youth Presence 2009

- All applicants must:
- \* have permission to travel to and from the meetings on their own;
  - \* be able come to Atlanta, Georgia for the training from **Thursday, April 16 – Sunday, April 19, 2009**
  - \* be able to be present at General Convention in Anaheim, CA from **Sunday, July 5 – Friday, July 17, 2009**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Diocese \_\_\_\_\_ Province \_\_\_\_\_

Parish/Congregation \_\_\_\_\_ Active Member \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

Age \_\_\_ Grade completed by summer of 2009 \_\_\_ Gender - male \_\_\_ female \_\_\_

Racial/Ethnic Identity (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Please answer these questions on a separate sheet of paper with your name marked on the top right hand corner and attach your answers to this form. *(The purpose of these questions is to help us get to know you better. If you need help in answering the questions, please feel free to ask your Youth Minister or your Provincial Coordinator. In addition to these questions, if you feel that a song, a poem, piece of art or recording of yourself speaking can help express who you are, you are welcome to do so.)*

1. Briefly describe your faith journey.
2. What ministries have you been involved with on a local, diocesan, provincial, or national level?
3. What are some gifts that you bring to your church community?
4. What are the issues facing the church today that interest you and what do you see as the church's role in addressing these issues?
5. Please write a paragraph about why you would like to attend General Convention.
6. Upon your return you will be expected to share your experience from General Convention with your parish, diocese and province. How will you do this?

I recommend that this person apply to be a youth delegate for General Convention.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Diocesan Youth Ministries Coordinator/ Diocesan Staff Member

In order to be considered for the Official Youth Presence at General Convention 2009 a completed form must be returned to their Provincial Youth Ministries Coordinator by **September 15, 2008.**

## **General Convention Official Youth Presence 2009**

Dates: \* Pre-Convention Training, Atlanta, Georgia, **April 16 – April 19, 2009**  
\* General Convention, Anaheim, CA, **July 5 – July 17, 2009**

### **Criteria for Young People (there will be two selected from each Province)**

- Need to have completed 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grade by Spring of 2009 and have not started college
- Responsible individuals with good time management skills and are able to follow instructions
- Be able to live within community norms and expectations
- Be able to live and interact in a diverse community
- Have a local support system --- family and/or church
- Be able to travel unaccompanied

### **Helpful (but not mandatory)**

- Experience beyond parish
- Previous participation in Legislative process, including:
  - Understanding of Robert's Rules of Order
  - Understanding group process and the ability to discern and live with unresolved issues

### **Instructions to dioceses for submitting applications**

This is an open process. Dioceses who choose to participate are encouraged to submit a minimum of 2 applications. Please remember that we desire that the General Convention Official Youth Presence 2009 reflect the overall demography of our total population....gender, ethnicity, socio-economic, etc. Serving as the "General Convention Official Youth Presence" is an intense and exciting experience. It involves long hours, learning, listening, sharing thoughts and ideas and seeking God's guidance while living in a unique community of 18 young people, 9 Provincial Youth Ministries Coordinators and several Staff Officers from the Episcopal Church Center in New York.

Once again we want to remind you to return completed applications no later than **September 15, 2008** to your Provincial Youth Ministries Coordinator (list on the back of this page)

**All applicants will be notified by JANUARY 1, 2009**

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