

Thank you for expressing interest in one of the ministries here in the church. We know that you will be blessed by deciding to get involved in the ministry. Being in ministry is also a responsibility and a privilege that must be taken very seriously. Not only will the church begin to count on you, but so will those you are ministering on behalf of. So the first thing we ask you to do is to pray about the area that the Lord is calling you to be a part of. Being in the ministry you are representing the church and the Lord, so your lifestyle must be one that reflects the life of Jesus in the church and outside of the church. As Christians we are all leaders and it is important to lead by example. That is why it is essential that we **try** to live a life that is blameless before God and man. Nothing discredits the testimony that a believer has more than that of his/her actions. I am listing **some** of the areas that I feel are essential to have before being allowed to serve in the Ministry and why they are so important. Some areas are not totally forbidden by the Word of God, they are usually called grey areas, but they are things that can stumble you and others so we list them at the bottom as an encouragement to try to have you remove them from your life or to be sure that those areas do not become a snare to you.

You Must Have:

**Daily solitary prayer time:** Jesus daily went to pray to the father, how can we neglect what He couldn't. It is essential that we are led by the Spirit and that we are receiving guidance from God, who is the ultimate leader of this Ministry. The fruits of the Spirit must be in our lives to deal with people.

**Daily Reading:** Much along the same lines as prayer, but also, if you are to do any counseling or advice giving it should come from God's Word and not you.

**Regular Church Attendance:** In order to minister to others we must be being fed and ministered to by the Word. If you serve in an area that keeps you out of the regular service, and the study, you must attend another service and just sit and be a part of the service and hear the Word.

**faithfulness:** Jesus said, "let your yes be yes and your no, no." One essential in Ministry found in 1 Corinthians 4:2 is that one who ministers must be found faithful. The church needs to be able to count on you so if you say that are going to do something we need to believe that.

**Submission:** some tend to cringe at this word, but you may be asked to do things you aren't really all that excited about, but neither was Jesus in regards to the cross, yet He did It willingly.

Grey areas:

**Smoking, drinking, cussing, listening to secular music, or watching "R" rated movies:** these are vices that people are trying to give up, so how much harder it is if they would see leaders doing those things. God desires to use clean vessels to work through; practicing these things can hinder your spiritual walk as well as your ability to minister to others.

As I wrote earlier these are just some things I wanted to touch on to let you know what behavior would be required of you. I hope and pray that you take no offense in the length and questions of this application, but just allow it to show you how serious we take the Ministry. We also want to let you know that depending on your ministry there are usually monthly or bi-monthly mandatory meetings. Once again we thank you for your interest and pray that you are totally blessed by serving the Lord.

**CPR Ministry Application**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Marital Status \_\_\_\_\_ Believer? \_\_\_\_\_ Attends CPR? \_\_\_\_\_

If not married are you living with a boyfriend or girlfriend? \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Work# \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you attended CPR? \_\_\_\_\_ Is this your home church? \_\_\_\_\_

If less than 1 year where did you attend before? \_\_\_\_\_

What services do you regularly attend? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a felony? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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Would you mind being photographed or fingerprinted? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any experience serving in church ministry? If yes please explain where and what you did. \_\_\_\_\_

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Is there a specific ministry you desire to serve in? \_\_\_\_\_

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Please list 3 references that we may contact, preferably please list a Pastor or Elder and the church.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone# \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

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Please provide a brief testimony including the year of your spiritual re-birth: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please give a thorough explanation of who Jesus is. \_\_\_\_\_

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Do you believe that the Bible is the inspired Word of God? \_\_\_\_\_

How does a person come to a saving faith in Jesus? \_\_\_\_\_

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What gifts or strengths do you possess that will help this Ministry to grow? \_\_\_\_\_

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As a Christian what areas do you need to grow in, or what struggles do you have? \_\_\_\_\_

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The information contained in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge. I authorize any references listed to give you any information that they may have regarding my character and abilities to serve in the ministry. I release Calvary Pico Rivera, as well as any other individual, church, charity, employer, reference, or any other person, or organization from any and all liability for damages of whatever kind or nature that may at any time result to me, my heirs, or family, because of compliance or any attempts to comply with this authorization. I also waive any right that I may have to inspect references provided on my behalf. If accepted into the ministry, I understand there will be meetings that I will be asked and expected to attend throughout the year.

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_