

Youth Ministry Institute Application



Teens For Christ

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Teens For Christ & YMI Doctrinal Statement

1. We teach the 66 books of the Bible to be the verbally and plenary inspired Word of God in the original autographs. As such, it is both infallible and inerrant and the only infallible rule of faith and practice for Christians, both individually and corporately. (Matt. 5:18; Jn. 10:35; 2 Tim. 3:16; Heb. 4:12; 2 Pet. 1:20-21).
2. We teach that there is only one God, perfect in all His attributes, eternally existing in three uncreated Persons: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, each equally deserving full worship and obedience (Deut. 6:4; Matt. 28:19; 2 Cor.13:14).
3. We teach that Jesus Christ is the second Person of the Trinity, possessing all the divine excellencies, and in these He is coequal, consubstantial, and coeternal with the other Persons of the Trinity (Jn. 10:30, 14:9). In His incarnation, the eternally existing second Person of the Trinity accepted all the essential characteristics of humanity and so became the God-Man (Phil. 2:5-8; Col. 2:9). Furthermore, we teach that our Lord Jesus Christ was virgin-born (Matt. 1:23-25), that He was God in flesh (Jn. 1:1,14), that He lived a sinless life (Heb. 4:15), that He accomplished redemption through the shedding of His blood and sacrificial death on the cross, which was voluntary, substitutionary, propitiatory, and redemptive (Jn. 10:15; Rom. 3:24-25, 5:8; 1 Pet. 2:24), that He was resurrected from the grave and is now ascended to the right hand of the Father, where He now mediates as our Advocate and High Priest (Matt. 28:6; Luke 24:38-39; Acts 2:30-31; Heb. 7:25; 1 Jn. 2:1), and that He will return and establish His kingdom on earth and will judge all mankind (Jn. 5:22-23; Acts 1:9-11; 1 Cor. 3:10-15; Rev. 20).
4. We teach that the Holy Spirit is the third Person of the Trinity, being coequal and consubstantial with the Father and the Son (Matt. 28:19; Acts 5:3-4; 1 Cor. 12:4-6; 2 Cor. 13:14). The present ministry of the Holy Spirit is to glorify Christ by regenerating, indwelling, sanctifying, instructing, empowering and sealing (Jn. 16:13-16; Rom. 8:9; Eph. 1:13, 5:18; Titus 3:5).
5. We teach that the entire human race was created in the image of God and, as such, its chief end is to glorify God and enjoy Him forever (Gen. 1:26-27; Col. 1:16). However, when Adam sinned, the corrupted nature of Adam was transmitted to all people, the Lord Jesus Christ being the only exception (Gen. 3:1-19; Rom. 5:12-19). All men are sinners by nature and by choice (Rom. 3:9-23). With no recuperative powers to enable him to recover, mankind is hopelessly lost and his salvation is thereby wholly of God's grace through the redemptive work of our Lord Jesus Christ (Eph. 2:1-3, 2:8-9). Those persons who die without saving faith in the redemption of Christ will be committed to an eternal conscious punishment in the lake of fire (Rev. 20:11-15).
6. We teach that all who place their faith in Jesus Christ are immediately placed through the Holy Spirit into one unified spiritual body, the church (1 Cor. 12:12-13), of which Christ is intimately connected as the Head (Col. 1:18). The establishment and continuity of local churches is the God-ordained method for propagating the gospel of Jesus Christ, and members of the spiritual body are directed to associate themselves together in local assemblies (Acts 20:17-18, Heb. 10:25). As such, this organization serves the church in presenting and propagating the faith once for all delivered to the saints.

Who We Are

Students who enroll and are accepted into the Youth Ministry Institute receive a unique experience in both the academic realm and in ministry. While most college students focus mainly on academics, the YMI is designed to immerse students not only in academics, but hands on ministry experience as well. The Institute seeks to help develop students personally, spiritually and emotionally while they receive ministry training through the opportunities of Teens for Christ. Academically, students will have the opportunity to earn an accredited degree with Clark Summit University Online as well as take in-house classes.

Mission

The YMI exists to glorify God by developing, equipping, and training fully committed followers of Jesus Christ for a lifetime of ministry locally and abroad.

Values

Community

We believe as the body of Christ it is vital that we live in community. The community we are called to builds one another up, challenges, corrects, and supports one another as we grow in relationships.

Scripture

We believe that all Scripture, Old Testament and New Testament, is given by inspiration of God. The Scriptures were designed for our practical instruction and therefore, they are our authority in all matters.

Dependence

We believe apart from God we can do nothing and therefore, in all things, we are utterly dependent on him. This reflects itself in an attitude of humility within relationships, work and leisure.

Is there any family situation which may interfere with your ability to participate in the YMI? (If yes, attach a statement with details): _____

Do you consume alcohol and/or mind-altering drugs on a regular basis? _____

Have you ever been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor? (If yes, please describe in full on a separate sheet of paper) _____ Yes _____ No

Do you have any physical limitations or special medical requirements that we can be aware of in order to assist you? If yes, please explain. (optional)

Have you ever had professional counseling for emotional or mental challenges? If yes, please explain. (optional) _____

Do you agree and believe in the Teens For Christ doctrinal statement? _____

Educational Experience

High School _____ Graduation Date _____
City/State _____

College/Other _____ City/State _____

Years Attended _____ Did you graduate college? _____ Degree _____

Have you ever been refused admission to, or been dismissed from any school? _____
(If yes, attach a statement with details)

Which YMI program are you interested in applying for?

_____ Answer the Call one year internship program

_____ Certificate of Youth Ministry two year program

_____ Certificate of Ministry Leadership four year program

Extracurricular Activities

Please list your extracurricular activities (the things you like to do outside of work and ministry). For example, guitar, writing poetry, paintballing, collecting items, horses, basketball, etc.

Leadership Experience

Please list and describe your role in any positions of responsibility and leadership which you have held. For example, camp counselor, youth group leader, basketball captain, shift manager at work, etc.

Employment Experience

Please indicate employment opportunities starting with the current or most recent.

Employer Name & City/State	Position Title & Duties	Start & End Date

How do you plan to pay for college? _____

How do you plan to pay for the YMI? _____

Church Relationship

Do you regularly attend church? _____ Yes _____ No How often? _____

Have you gone through the church membership process at your church? _____ Yes _____ No

Name and mailing address of present "home" church _____

Denomination of "home" church _____

How long have you been attending your home church? _____

Name of Pastor _____

Name the churches with which you have been in fellowship during the past five years and provide dates to about how long you attended each church: _____

Have you ever been involved in a religion that is not consistent with orthodox Christianity? If yes, please explain. _____

Describe your past involvement in Christian service & ministry (teaching, witnessing, preaching, missions, Sunday school, etc.). Please include dates of involvement.

Why do you desire to be a part of the YMI? What do you hope to gain from your time here?

References

The applicant is required to supply three references. A pastoral reference (pastor, youth group leader, elder), a character reference (teacher, coach, or other), and an employment reference. Indicate below the names and addresses of the individuals to whom you would like to be your references. **Relatives are not acceptable references.**

The applicant is required to give a reference form to each of the names listed below along with a stamped envelope. Then, the reference can either enclose the form in a signed envelope and hand it back to the student in order to bring it into the YMI or the reference can mail the form to the TFC Office Attn: YMI.

PASTORAL:

Name	Phone Number		
Street & Number	City	State	Zip Code
Title and Church Name			

CHARACTER:

Name	Phone Number		
Street & Number	City	State	Zip Code
Relationship			

EMPLOYER:

Name	Phone Number		
Street & Number	City	State	Zip Code
Position and Organization			

CODE OF CONDUCT

The Youth Ministry Institute recognizes the value in maintaining certain behavioral standards that enhance the atmosphere of the ministry, foster fellowship with other Christians from a variety of backgrounds and, in many instances, strengthen our testimony to the world in which we live. In this light, The Youth Ministry Institute asks its YMI students and staff to be supportive of this behavioral standard.

Will you abide by YMI policies and procedures while involved with the YMI and Teens For Christ? You can obtain a more detailed document of policies and procedures from the YMI Office. ___ Yes ___ No

The Youth Ministry Institute reserves the right to dismiss any student who, in its best judgment, does not conform either to the stated regulations governing his/her conduct or to the conduct and/or the expressed principles and policies of the ministry.

In making application to become a student of The Youth Ministry Institute, I agree with the doctrinal and teaching positions as described in this application (with my stated exceptions) and, with my signature, state: *On my honor, as a Christian, I pledge myself to abide by the regulations of the administration and staff; to protect the glorious and honorable name of Jesus Christ, and to cooperate with all members of The Youth Ministry and Teen for Christ family in maintaining a spirit of Christian fellowship.*

Applicant's Signature

Date

After reviewing the above forms, the Youth Ministry Institute will contact you in order to set up an interview regarding your application.