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# MINISTRY APPLICATION

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If you are seeking to be involved serving at Calvary Chapel it is vital that you carefully read and understand the following:

## **CALVARY CHAPEL DOCTRINAL STATEMENT AND STYLE OF MINISTRY**

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Calvary Chapel has been formed as a fellowship of believers in the Lordship of Jesus Christ. Our supreme desire is to know Christ and to be conformed into His image by the power of the Holy Spirit.

We are not a denominational church, nor are we opposed to denominations as such, only their over-emphasis of the doctrinal differences that have led to the division of the Body of Christ. We believe that the only true basis of Christian fellowship is His (Agape) love, which is greater than any differences we possess and without which we have no right to claim ourselves Christians.

In order to identify Calvary Chapel as conservative in theology and evangelical, we set forth this general statement of fundamental beliefs:

1. We believe there is one God, eternally existing in three persons: the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. (Genesis 1:1; Matthew 28:19)

\*That He created the Universe by His spoken word in six literal days for His glory. (Genesis 1; Exodus 20:11; Romans 11:36)

2. We believe in the deity of Jesus Christ (John 10:30; Revelation 1:8)

\* His Virgin Birth (Luke 1:34-35)

\* His sinless life (2 Corinthians 5:21; Hebrews 7:26)

\* His vicarious and atoning death (1 Corinthians 15:3; Hebrews 2:9)

\* His resurrection (1 Corinthians 15:4; Luke 24)

\* His ascension to the right hand of the Father (Acts 1:9)

\* His return to earth in glory and power (Matthew 24:30; Revelation 19:11-13)

3. We believe in the present ministry of the person of the Holy Spirit (John 14:15,16)

\*He dwells within a follower of Christ and enables him/her to live the Christian life (Ephesians 1:13,14)

\*His giving of Gifts to the church to complete His purposes (1 Corinthians 12)

4. We believe a follower of Christ has had a conversion of the heart (Jeremiah 31:33)  
  
\*We have assurance of salvation by faith in Jesus Christ (Ephesians 2:8)
5. We believe the Bible to be the inerrant God-breathed Word of God (2 Timothy 3:15-17)  
  
\*From which we derive all things of faith and practice (2Peter 1:3)
6. We believe the music we play and songs we sing in Church are for God (Romans 11:36; Psalm 150; Psalm 147:7)
7. We believe in the resurrection of the saved and the lost; those who are saved by faith in the finished work of Christ to resurrection of life, and those who are not unto the resurrection of damnation (John 5:28,29)
8. We believe the Church's primary mission is to display the Glory of God (Ephesians 3:21)  
  
\*That the Church has a mission to carry out as His loving example and voice of His truth (Matthew 28:19; 2 Corinthians 5:20)

## **MINISTRY GUIDELINES**

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Before you consider serving here at Calvary Chapel Finger Lakes, we ask that you would be prepared to commit to the following guidelines. These principles help us display a consistent standard of doctrine and lifestyle to the Body of Christ.

- I. You must be born again. (John 3:3) If you are uncertain about what this means, please contact us. It will be our privilege to show you, in the Scriptures, what Jesus meant when He said this.
- II. You must be in agreement with our Doctrinal Statement and our Style of Ministry. Please read those statements carefully to see if they represent your beliefs. Again, we will gladly explain anything that is unclear to you.
- III. You must consider Calvary Chapel Finger Lakes your home church for you and your family. Additionally, some of the ministries here require that you fellowship with us at least six months before serving.
- IV. In addition to your times of ministry it is important that you consistently attend a Sunday morning service and at least one other weekly service during which you can worship and be taught.

- V. Serving God's flock entails denying ourselves certain freedoms in order to be Christ-like examples to His church. You must refrain from drinking alcohol, smoking, immodest dress and such. These may not be sin issues, but by mortifying them we are better able to demonstrate to others victory over the flesh and a holy walk in the Spirit.
- VI. The Bible asks, "Can two walk together, except they be agreed?" (Amos 3:3). Therefore, in order to preserve the function and integrity of the Church as a local body of Christ and to provide a Biblical role model to the Church members and the community, it is imperative that all persons volunteering in any capacity, should abide by and agree to the Statement of Marriage of one man (biological) and one woman (biological). Also, that any form of sexual immorality such as adultery, fornication, homosexuality, bisexual conduct, bestiality, incest, pornography or any attempt to change one's gender or disagreement with one's biological gender is sinful and offensive to God. Being effective for Christ is far easier if we are likeminded in our beliefs and practices. This is why we ask those who want to serve with us to compare their views with ours before attempting to minister together. Your signature below will indicate that you agree with the beliefs and guidelines stated above.
- VII. Failure to live by Biblical principles will result in removal from any position of serving at Calvary Chapel of the Finger Lakes.

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*Date*

# CALVARY CHAPEL OF THE FINGER LAKES

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## APPLICATION FOR MINISTRY

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Instructions:

- ▶ Carefully read our Doctrinal Statement and our Style of Ministry document
- ▶ Read and sign our Guidelines Form.
- ▶ Carefully read and fill out this application.
- ▶ Return the completed forms to the church office.
- ▶ Pray asking God to direct you and that you might readily accept His will.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

If you can be contacted at work, please give us your place of employment and phone number:

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Please list references (people who are involved at Calvary Chapel who know you).

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been a Christian? \_\_\_\_\_

Briefly explain your conversion experience:

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How long have you been attending Calvary Chapel of the Finger Lakes? \_\_\_\_\_

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

What churches did you attend prior to Calvary Chapel of the Finger Lakes?

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Have you been involved serving in any other ministries? If so, what ministries?

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What area of ministry are you inquiring about? \_\_\_\_\_

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Please explain why you would like to be involved in this ministry. \_\_\_\_\_

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What abilities and gifts do you feel the Lord wants you to use? \_\_\_\_\_

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Please describe any training, experience or education you have which might apply to serving here. (These things are not necessarily required but may be helpful in some areas.)

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When are you available to serve? Please note if there are days or times when you are not available. \_\_\_\_\_

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Is your spouse in agreement with your commitment to serve at this time? \_\_\_\_\_

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about yourself or your interest in helping at Calvary Chapel?

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE NOTE: Your potential involvement in the ministry of Calvary Chapel will depend on the approval of our pastor and staff. We pray often that God continues to bestow gifts and stir up His people to take their proper place in His body, just as we depend on the Holy Spirit to bear witness in the hearts of the leadership as to when, where and how a person should serve among us. We will be praying for you, and, you will be contacted after the application has been reviewed.