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Trainee Application 2010:

The West Side Church Trainee Program is a summer internship for college aged Christians who are seeking a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ and experience working with children and youth. You'll be working in a Christian community that will be full of accountability, prayer, worship, fellowship, training, and ministry. The 2010 Trainee Program runs from **June 11 through August 20**. This is an intensive, team-oriented, relational experience where you will have a chance to acquire ministry skills and put them into action. You will have program responsibilities 5–6 days per week, likely including one week at a Christian camp in the Washington Cascades.

Purpose of Trainee Ministry:

Trainee Ministry

...to bring enthusiastic, creative ministry to the children, youth, and adults of the church and develop disciples who will make a difference for Christ wherever they go.

The Mission

Invest in a few for the benefit of many. Develop servant leaders for the body of Christ through an intensive program of Biblical instruction and participation in community, training, and practical ministry experience.

The Vision

The trainee will grow in Christ-likeness and develop as a Christian leader and a disciple who brings honor and glory to God. The result will be that every part of West Side Church will be touched by Christ as He works in the lives of the trainees and those in the congregation mobilized to support the trainees. God's work in and through the trainees will continue far beyond the boundaries of West Side Church, effecting future congregations, work places, families, and nations for Christ. The body of Christ will be positively affected for eternity.

Instructions:

Please complete this application form and submit by email: trainees@westside1.org. If necessary, you can print the form and fill it out to mail or fax using the contact information above. Also arrange for two reference letters to be submitted by email, fax or post. One of your references must be a pastor or spiritual leader who is familiar with you.

The application and references must be received by West Side Church by **March 31, 2010**, to receive full consideration. Candidates will be interviewed and final decisions will be made by mid-April.

Applicant Information:

Full Name:

Date of Birth:

Address:

Street Address:

Apartment/Unit #:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Country:

Contact Information:

Home Phone:

Cell Phone:

Text? (Y/N)

E-Mail Address:

Marital Status:

Present Job:

Church:

Church of Membership:

Date of Baptism:

Church Address:

Denomination:

Pastor:

Church Currently Attending:

Education:

High School:

Address:

Date of Graduation:

GPA:

Extracurricular Activities:

Universtiy:

Address:

Standing (Fresh, Soph, Jun, Sen, Grad) Degree and or Major:

Projected Date of Graduation:

Postgraduate Plans:

Work or Ministry Experience:

Organization	Dates of Service	Responsibilities

Interest Level

West Side offers summer internships in three different ministry areas. Please indicate your level of interest in the ministry age groups below (1-3, where 1 indicates highest level of interest).

Children _____ Middle School _____ High School _____

Experience Level

Using the same rating system as above, please indicate your experience level with the following age groups.

Children _____ Middle School _____ High School _____

Questions That Help Us Know You:

Please attach your answers to the following questions on a separate piece of paper. We encourage you to do your utmost to craft your answers in plain language. Though we understand that it is difficult to find adequate words to describe the spiritual life, the use of Christian clichés can keep hidden from us what you actually mean, making it difficult to tell that you are a strong candidate. Thank you for trusting us with your honest answers to these questions.

1. What interests you in being a trainee? How did you hear about this program?
2. Please share about your Christian walk that has brought you to this point.
3. Give a brief statement about your theology; that is, what you believe about God, the Bible, Jesus Christ, etc.
4. Please share about your strengths, gifts, and areas in which you feel you could grow.
5. What are you passionate about? (hobbies, activities, or other interests)
6. What is the greatest relational challenge you have faced in the last year? How did you respond?
7. Share about your leadership experiences.
8. Are there any special events or circumstances that would keep you from your full involvement in this ministry?

References:

Please list the two people with whom you have arranged for reference letter submissions.

Full Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

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Address: _____ Phone: _____

Signature of Commitment

I certify that my answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

If this application leads to acceptance in this ministry, I understand that false or misleading information in my application or interview may result in my release.

Please carefully read the Lifestyle Statement below
and sign if you are willing to commit to it.

Lifestyle Statement

Because of the high visibility of trainee's personal lives, and our desire to live our lives according to the teachings of Scripture, we require all summer trainees to be pursuing Jesus for transformation in their attitudes, actions, and lifestyle.

A summer trainee at West Side will need to display a heart that desires to be more like Jesus, and actions that are consistent with this desire. The staff and trainee committee of West Side asks that its summer trainees not participate in the following behaviors: use of pornographic materials, drug or tobacco use of any kind, alcohol use, and sexually immoral behaviors. We expect all summer trainees to desire to become more and more like Jesus in the way they think, talk, and act. If you desire to pursue this kind of lifestyle, and agree to submit to a community who are striving to do the same, then please sign your name below.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor or felony? (Yes/No)

If YES, explain: _____

Appointment offers are contingent upon completion of WASHINGTON STATE PATROL REQUEST FOR CRIMINAL HISTORY INFORMATION, CHILD/ADULT ABUSE INFORMATION ACT, RCW 43.43.830 THROUGH 43.43.845. Candidates selected for appointment offers will be required to provide information in support of this background check.