



**CALVARY CHAPEL**  
MINISTRY APPLICATION

# **SERVANT REQUIREMENTS**

## **Church Attendance**

Attended Calvary Chapel for 6 months

## **Spiritual Requirements**

Accepted Christ as your personal Savior

Baptized

Accept & Agree with Calvary Chapel Hixson's Statement of Faith

# STATEMENT OF FAITH

## DOCTRINAL

1. We believe in what is termed "The Apostles' Creed" as embodying all the fundamental doctrines of orthodox evangelical Christianity.
2. We believe there is one living and true God, eternally existing in three persons; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, equal in power and glory; that this triune God created all, upholds all, and governs all.
3. We believe in God, the Father, an infinite, personal Spirit, perfect in holiness, wisdom, power, and love; that He concerns Himself mercifully in the affairs of men; that He hears and answers prayer; and that He saves from sin and death all who come to Him through Jesus Christ.
4. We believe in Jesus Christ, God's only begotten Son, conceived by the Holy Spirit. We believe in His virgin birth, sinless life, miracles, and teachings; His substitutionary atoning death; bodily resurrection; ascension into heaven; perpetual intercession for His people; and personal, visible return to earth. We believe that He is one and the same as God. He was fully human and fully God.
5. We believe in the Holy Spirit, who came forth from the Father and Son to convict the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment and to regenerate, sanctify, and empower in ministry all who believe in Christ. We believe the Holy Spirit indwells every believer in Jesus Christ and that He is an abiding Helper, Teacher, and Guide. We believe that Jesus Christ baptizes the seeking believer with the Holy Spirit and power for service, either at the time of or subsequent to regeneration, which is a separate work from the indwelling Spirit for salvation. We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit and in the exercise of all biblical gifts of the Spirit as reflected through the fruit of that same Spirit.
6. We believe that all the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, fully inspired and without error in the original manuscripts, and that they are the infallible rule of faith and practice.
7. We believe all people are by nature separated from God and responsible for their own sin, but that salvation, redemption, and forgiveness are freely offered to all by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. When a person repents of sin and accepts Jesus Christ as his/her personal Lord and Savior, trusting Him to save, that person is immediately born again and sealed by the Holy Spirit, all of his/her sins are forgiven, and that person becomes a child of God, destined to spend eternity with the Lord.
8. We await the pre-tribulation rapture of the church, and we believe in the literal Second Coming of Christ with His saints to rule the earth, which will be personal and visible. This motivates us to holy living, heartfelt worship, committed service, diligent study of God's Word, regular fellowship, participation in adult baptism by immersion and Holy Communion.
9. We believe in the universal Church, in the living spiritual body, of which Christ is the head and all regenerated persons are members.
10. We believe the Lord Jesus Christ committed two ordinances to the Church: 1) baptism, and 2) the Lord's Supper. We believe in baptism by immersion and communion, both of which are open to all believers in Jesus Christ.
11. We believe in the laying on of hands for the sending out of pastors and missionaries, and in conjunction with the anointing of oil by the elders for the healing of the sick.

## **PRACTICAL**

- 14.** We believe the only true basis of Christian fellowship is Christ's (agape) love, which is greater than differences we possess, and without which we have no right to claim ourselves Christians.
- 15.** We believe worship of God should be spiritual; therefore, we remain flexible and yielded to the leading of the Holy Spirit to direct our worship.
- 16.** We believe worship of God should be inspirational; therefore, we give great place to music in our worship.
- 17.** We believe worship of God should be intelligent; therefore, our services are designed with great emphasis upon the teaching of the Word of God that He might instruct us on how He should be worshiped. We seek to teach the Word of God in such a way that its message can be applied to the individual's life, leading that person to a greater maturity in Christ. We teach both expositionally and topically.
- 18.** We believe worship of God should be fruitful; therefore, we look for His love in our lives as the supreme manifestation that we have been truly worshiping Him.
- 19.** We believe that the church government should be simplistic rather than a complex bureaucracy, and we depend on the Holy Spirit to lead, rather than on fleshly promotion.
- 20.** We believe that the Bible clearly delineates that spiritual gifts are for the edification of the body and that they are to be exercised in love. We believe that love is more important than the most spectacular gifts, and without love, all exercise of spiritual gifts is worthless. In our services, we focus on a personal relationship with God through worship, prayer, and the teaching of the Word of God. We do not practice speaking in tongues during worship or while a Bible study is in progress because we do not believe that the Holy Spirit would interrupt Himself. God is not the author of confusion. These gifts are encouraged in more intimate settings, e.g. afterglow services and small groups where their benefit can accomplish the purpose for which they have been given - the edification of the body of Christ.

# MINISTRY APPLICATION FORM

Please read Calvary Chapel's Statement of Faith carefully.

Do you agree with it without reservation? \_\_\_\_\_

## Please print clearly

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt No.: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ May you receive personal calls at your place at work? \_\_\_\_\_

Trade or profession: \_\_\_\_\_ Place of employment \_\_\_\_\_ Years There? \_\_\_\_\_

Marital Status: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Name (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Children: \_\_\_\_\_ Names and Ages (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Where would you like to serve? \_\_\_\_\_

When are you available to serve? \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you walked with the Lord? \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you fellowshiped at Calvary Chapel? \_\_\_\_\_

How often do you attend church service? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been water baptized? \_\_\_\_\_ When? \_\_\_\_\_ Where? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you currently serve as a volunteer in any areas? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, where? \_\_\_\_\_

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



# CONSENT AND WAIVER FORM

In consideration of my role with **Calvary Chapel, Inc., it's affiliates, integrated auxiliaries and supporting organizations, hereinafter "Calvary Chapel"** and recognizing the importance of my character being above reproach, **I HEREBY CONSENT TO THE FOLLOWING:**

- 1) Complete in full a Calvary Chapel Consent and Waiver Form
- 2) Complete in full a Calvary Chapel Ministry Application Form
- 3) Allowing Calvary Chapel to screen me through the Tennessee Department of Law Enforcement or any other state, county, municipal agency or private firm for the purpose of accessing and reviewing Tennessee and national criminal history records as well as any other historical or background records pertaining to me.
- 4) Allowing Calvary Chapel to verify the information and to contact any personal references listed on the Background Information Form.
- 5) Allowing Calvary Chapel to verify current and prior employment.
- 6) Provide Calvary Chapel with a photocopy of my current state driver's license, official state identification card or valid passport.
- 7) Make myself available for a personal interview by a pastor or overseer of Calvary Chapel.

**I HEREBY WAIVE, RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS FROM LIABILITY** all persons, organizations, and other entities which provide references or information to Calvary Chapel pertaining to me or my background.

**I HEREBY FURTHER WAIVE, RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS FROM LIABILITY** Calvary Chapel, it's staff, employees, volunteers, and agents with regard to any decision that it makes on my application for involvement with Calvary Chapel based on the information I provide or that is obtained through the criminal history and background screening process.

**I CONSENT** to a copy of this Consent and Waiver Form together with the Background Information Form being furnished to any reference that I have provided to Calvary Chapel and to any other person, organization or entity that Calvary Chapel deems necessary in connection with its investigation of my background, character or qualifications.

PRINT NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

# REFERENCE/BACKGROUND INFO

**Personal Reference (pastor or Christian mentor):**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. # \_\_\_\_\_

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

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Known for \_\_\_\_\_ years

**Please attach a photocopy of Driver's License:**

**Please answer the following with a Yes or No:**

Have you ever been found guilty of a crime? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been accused or charged with a crime or incident involving a minor? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been charged with a crime or misconduct at your workplace? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever struggled with any sin involving a minor? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been accused of improper conduct by an employer or as a volunteer for any reason? \_\_\_\_\_

Is there any other information regarding your past that is relevant to your involvement with Calvary Chapel, including children, youth, or ministry in general we should know? \_\_\_\_\_

If you answered Yes to any of the questions above, please provide a written explanation on a separate sheet of paper and attach it to this form. Please be prepared to discuss your answers with a Pastor or overseer. By signing below I agree to immediately inform Calvary Chapel of any subsequent information, including any accusations, convictions or other occurrences that relate to the areas of inquiry set forth above.

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