

APPLICATION FOR CHILDREN'S/YOUTH MINISTRY (CONFIDENTIAL)

This is part of the application process to be completed by all applicants for any position (volunteer or compensated) involving the supervision or custody of minors. The purpose of this part of the process is to further ensure a safe and secure environment for those children and youth entrusted by God to the ministries of SMCC and who use our facilities. We must ask you some personal questions, which are unfortunately essential in today's world. Your responses will be kept confidential within the pastoral staff and commission related to the recruiting process. (If your responses exceed the space provided, please use the back side of each sheet.)

Today's Date: _____ Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

Name _____

Present Address _____

Marital Status Social Security # _____

Member of SMCC? Yes _____ No _____ If no, where? _____

What type of children's/youth ministry do you prefer? _____

What do you bring to the children's/youth ministry with which you wish to work? (spiritual, skills, experience, training, etc.) _____

On what date are you available? _____

Maximum length of your commitment _____

Your honest responses to the following questions will help assure our church family, parents, and children of the finest staff and care we can provide. Your affirmative response, if necessary, does not automatically disqualify you from the joy of service, but will help us better know how to work with you and support you in service should you be placed.

1. Have you any physical handicaps or conditions preventing you from performing the activities related to children's/youth work? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, please explain:

2. Have you ever been convicted or accused of any domestic violence, child abuse, child molestation, or any other crime related to children or youth? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, please explain:

3. I authorize the church to obtain a state-provided criminal records check if it is thought to be important, so long as the results are kept confidential. Yes _____ No _____

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I have read the attached procedures for working with minors at SMCC and pledge to support them as I minister. Yes _____ No _____

List other churches you have attended regularly during the past seven years. (If no churches, please list any schools and organizations where you have worked with children or youth.)

Church Name	1. _____	2. _____
Street Address	_____	_____
City/State/Zip	_____	_____
Years Attended	_____	_____
Type of children's or youth ministry you did:		
	_____	_____
	_____	_____
	_____	_____
	_____	_____

List at least two personal references who are not former co-workers or relatives.

Name	1. _____	2. _____
Street Address	_____	_____
City/State/Zip	_____	_____
Years Attended	_____	_____

Personal Commitment

The information contained in this personal reference form is correct to the best of my knowledge. *I authorize any references or churches listed in this application to give you any information (including opinions) that they may have regarding my character and fitness for children's/youth work.* I release all such references from any liability for furnishing such evaluations to you, provided they do so in good faith and without malice. I waive any right that I may have to inspect references provided on my behalf.

Should my application be accepted, I agree to be bound by the bylaws and policies of Sierra Madre Congregational Church, and to refrain from unscriptural conduct in the performance of my services on behalf of the church. Sierra Madre Congregational Church commits to supporting you in your appointment with affirming supervision and ongoing training, as together we serve Jesus Christ and share in His love with our children and youth.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

Witness _____ Date _____
(Departmental minister)

(Bylaws and policies of Sierra Madre Congregational Church are available in the business office.)