



## 2008-2009 CORE TEAM LEADER APPLICATION

*Instructions (Note: Illegible answers cannot be considered.)*

1. Read through all the questions before you begin your answers.
2. Answer all the questions.
3. Please clearly TYPE or PRINT each answer in BLACK INK. Use separate paper when necessary.
4. Very Important: When answering these questions, be yourself. There are no right or wrong answers. These questions are simply vehicles for us to learn who you are.
5. Also Very Important: Rest assured that all information will be held in strict confidence by the staff of the LIFE TEEN program.

**Here are a few important facts about being a member of the Core Team:**

- Team members must be at least one year out of high school or older.
- Team members should possess the following qualities: a personal commitment to Jesus Christ, an unconditional love for teenagers, a love for the Catholic Church, regular participation in Sunday worship, a personal prayer life, freedom from serious sin, regular reading of Scripture, and openness to using the gifts of the Holy Spirit.
- Team members must be open to training and completing all background checks and requirements set forth by the diocese.
- Team members must continue to possess the above mentioned qualities throughout the duration of their commitment. Team members are free at any time to unconditionally terminate their relationship as a Core Team member. At the same time, the ministry of LIFE TEEN retains the option to ask you to step out of this ministry if it becomes clear to us that the Lord is not calling you to this specific ministry, or if mitigating circumstances make it unwise for you to continue in this ministry.

### APPLICANT'S INFORMATION

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_

Current Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province \_\_\_\_\_ Zip/Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work phone \_\_\_\_\_ May we contact you at work? \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Gender \_\_\_\_\_  
month / day / year

**Please check all that apply to you and fill in the requested information. Leave blank those choices, which do not apply.**  
 I have applied to LIFETEEN in the past. Please list the year(s):

When I applied, I:

- was asked to wait and consider reapplying again in the future.
- was turned down.
- was accepted, but chose to decline because: \_\_\_\_\_
- withdrew my application because: \_\_\_\_\_

### EDUCATION

**Please check the one that applies to you and fill in the requested information. Leave blank those choices, which do not apply.**

- Presently, I am in college. \_\_\_\_\_ (College and class)
- I graduated from college. \_\_\_\_\_ (College)
- I graduated from high school in \_\_\_\_\_ (year).

### EMPLOYMENT

**Please document where you work.**

**A. Business name** \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Job Title \_\_\_\_\_ Your duties \_\_\_\_\_

**Please document any other work related trades or talents. (i.e. construction, public speaking, street evangelist...)**



Please document the last two volunteer positions you held. Use "A" below to indicate your most recent volunteer service.

**A. Organization's name** \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Your duties \_\_\_\_\_

Frequency of involvement (e.g. once a month) \_\_\_\_\_

Starting date: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Ending date: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
month year month year

Reason for leaving \_\_\_\_\_

**B. Organization's name** \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Your duties \_\_\_\_\_

Frequency of involvement (e.g. once a month) \_\_\_\_\_

Starting date: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Ending date: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
month year month year

Reason for leaving \_\_\_\_\_

### DIOCESAN / PARISH INVOLVEMENT

Please check all that apply to you and fill in the requested information. Leave blank those choices, which do not apply.

I have been a member of St. Isidore Church for \_\_\_\_\_ years/months.

I have worked or volunteered at \_\_\_\_\_ parish.

I have...

- taught or assisted in a religious education program in (my home parish) (another parish). *please circle one or both*
- assisted in a youth ministry/ LIFE TEEN program in my post high school years.
- served as a reader, Eucharistic minister, alter server, and/or choir member at a parish.
- served in a parish or diocese in other capacities (i.e. coordinated or assisted with the parish festival, assisted in the parish or diocesan office, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

How often do you attend mass?

- Daily
- Weekly
- Monthly
- Rarely
- Never

### AVAILABILITY

1. Please list any activities or commitments, which might prohibit you from being available on Sunday nights or weekend retreats. Please list dates and times of these commitments. \_\_\_\_\_

2. How would you feel if, after having completed the application form, interview, and/or training for the LIFE TEEN CORE Team you were not selected? \_\_\_\_\_

3. When would you be available to meet for an interview? \_\_\_\_\_

### CATHOLIC / SPIRITUAL FORMATION

1. Please check all that apply to you and fill in the requested information. Leave blank those choices, which do not apply.

- I am baptized
- I was confirmed in the Catholic Church at the age of \_\_\_\_\_
- For the past 12 months, I have met my obligation of attending Sunday liturgy and Holy Days of obligation.
- I converted to Catholicism at the age of \_\_\_\_\_ from the \_\_\_\_\_ faith.
- I attended a Catholic school in grades \_\_\_\_\_
- I attended a Catholic college/university for \_\_\_\_\_ years.
- Other than in school, I attended religious education classes in grades \_\_\_\_\_
- As a junior high or senior high student, I participated in a Catholic youth ministry program in grade \_\_\_\_\_



- Other religious formation I received while growing up included (i.e. RENEW, RCIA, a non-Catholic but Christian education, a non-Catholic but Christian youth ministry program, Campus Crusade, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

**2. You do not need to have received education in the following areas of study to be considered for a LIFE TEEN leader.**

As part of my formal Catholic education, (religion classes, CCD, RCIA, college courses, workshops, etc.) I studied:

- |   |  |                           |
|---|--|---------------------------|
| ○ Sacraments  | ○ Fundamental beliefs of the Catholic Church | ○ Chastity                |
| ○ Prayer  | ○ Holy Eucharist                             | ○ Catholic Church history |
| ○ Contemporary Issues (abortion, euthanasia, contraception) | ○ Liturgy                                    | ○ Anointing of the sick   |
| ○ Other religions:  | ○ Matrimony                                  | ○ Morality                |
| ○ Other:  |  | ○ Scripture               |

3. Have you participated in any bible studies, religious education classes, Christian fellowship groups, etc., since you have been out of high school? Please elaborate... \_\_\_\_\_

4. Are you considering, or have you considered a Religious Vocation?

- Yes
- No

**5. Please check whether you accept or do not accept each of the following teachings of the Catholic Church:**

A. Do you accept the Church's teaching on the Holy Eucharist?

*The Holy Eucharist is the real Presence (Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity) of Jesus Christ and that when one receives Holy Communion, Jesus comes into the heart to dwell.*

- Yes, I accept this teaching
- No, I do not accept this teaching

B. Do you accept the Church's teaching on contraception?

*God designed conjugal love between a husband and wife to be a beautiful, selfless, total giving of one to the other, and is open to the transmission of life. Since acts of contraception are not selfless, not a total giving of one to the other and are not open to the transmission of life, contraception, which actually means "against conception" is inherently wrong.*

- Yes, I accept this teaching
- No, I do not accept this teaching

C. Do you accept the Church's teaching on the sanctity of life?

*All life is sacred and each life from the moment of conception has a right to life, therefore abortion, or any other method of barring a new life from implanting in its mother's womb or terminating a pregnancy is inherently wrong.*

- Yes, I accept this teaching
- No, I do not accept this teaching

D. Do you accept the Church's teaching on papal infallibility?

*The Pope holds the keys of Saint Peter and Christ endowed the Church's shepherds with the charism of infallibility in matters of faith and morals. When the Church through its supreme Magisterium proposes a doctrine "for belief as being divinely revealed, and as the teaching of Christ, the doctrine must be adhered to with the obedience of faith.*

- Yes, I accept this teaching
- No, I do not accept this teaching

E. Do you accept the Church's teaching on pre-marital sex?

*God has exclusively given the gift of intercourse to a man and woman who have pledged their lives to one another in marriage as a way of fully giving oneself to the other, being fully open to the transmission of life should God so choose to bestow this blessing*

- Yes, I accept this teaching
- No, I do not accept this teaching

F. Do you accept the Church's teaching on the Immaculate Conception?



*The most Blessed Virgin Mary was, from the first moment of her conception, by a singular grace and privilege of almighty God and by virtue of the merits of Jesus Christ, Savior of the human race, preserved immune from all stain of original sin.*

- Yes, I accept this teaching
- No, I do not accept this teaching

**G. Do you accept the Church's teaching on Holy Orders?**

*Only a baptized man can validly receive sacred ordination because the Lord Jesus chose men to form the college of the twelve apostles, and the apostles did the same when they chose collaborators to succeed them in their ministry. Therefore, the Church recognizes herself to be bound by this choice made by the Lord himself, and for this reason the ordination of women is not possible.*

- Yes, I accept this teaching
- No, I do not accept this teaching

**Short Answer Questions**

1. Please complete the following sentence: I am applying to LIFETEEN at this time in my life because \_\_\_\_\_

2. Other than church related activities, what are your hobbies and interests? \_\_\_\_\_

3. Describe any educational, career, and personal short term and long term goals you have for yourself. \_\_\_\_\_

4. Complete the following sentence: I would describe my physical health as...

- below average
- average
- above average

Please elaborate... \_\_\_\_\_

8. Do you smoke?

- Don't Smoke
- Smoke Occasionally
- Smoke Regularly

9. Do you drink?

- Don't Drink
- Drink Occasionally
- Drink Regularly

10. Using the scale below, please rate (1-5) yourself in the following:

Almost always	Frequently	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
5	4	3	2	1

\_\_\_\_\_ I possess the ability to follow through with responsibilities and commitments.

\_\_\_\_\_ I possess the ability to lead teens.

\_\_\_\_\_ I possess the ability to lead small group discussions.

\_\_\_\_\_ I possess the ability to be held accountable by LIFE TEEN staff.

\_\_\_\_\_ I possess the ability to speak before crowds between 40-100 people.

\_\_\_\_\_ I possess the ability to be innovative and creative with ideas for youth events.

\_\_\_\_\_ I possess a cooperative, friendly, courteous disposition.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am comfortable with evangelization (sharing the Word of God).

11. Please check all that apply to you and fill in the requested information. Leave blank those choices, which do not apply.

- I have \_\_\_\_\_ brothers and \_\_\_\_\_ sisters.
- I am/ was married. (Please circle one)
- I have/had a child. (Please circle one)

Names of Children \_\_\_\_\_

12. Please complete the following sentences:

A. I would describe my relationship with my mother as... \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I would describe my relationship with my father as...

\_\_\_\_\_ I would describe my relationship with my brothers and sisters as...

