

Faithⁱⁿ3D

Dare. Discover. Dream.

Faith in 3D promises to be a huge event! Over 2500 teenage Baptists, Presbyterians, and Episcopalians from across the United States will spend the weekend of January 16-19, 2009 at the Coronado Springs Resort at Walt Disney World in Orlando, FL. Three denominations will come together to explore our common faith in Jesus Christ through worship, education, and community building.

In addition to the large group times of worship and celebration, teenagers will have the opportunity for in-depth study and conversation through small group sessions. That is where you come in to take center stage.

As a Small Group Leader (SGL) you will have the opportunity to engage a group of about 30 teenagers in a time of guided learning and discussion. Small Groups will meet two times throughout the weekend. Your role will be to lead the sessions, engage the teenagers in conversation, and facilitate relationship building that happens whenever two or more are gathered. In addition to these regular small group meetings, on Sunday you will serve as leaders for the Faith Around the World event. This will involve both learning and leading curriculum in the World Showcase of Epcot, paired with Disney's Youth Education Series facilitators.

Please read through the Small Group Leader Application packet carefully. We ask for a lot of information from you because we want the best leaders for our teenagers. SGLs must be at least 22 years old and an active member in a congregation of one of the participating denominations. Ideally, an SGL has a passion for reaching and teaching teenagers and has some experience in a ministry setting.

Four important pieces of information for all applicants to note:

1. All SGLs must be able to walk several miles and stand constantly for the three-hour time period of Faith Around the World. This physical ability is crucial for each Small Group Leader. Note that there is no seating available for our teaching times and to walk from one side of the lake at the World Showplace to the other is a significant distance.
2. SGLs must arrive a full day ahead of the event for training and orientation. This commitment is to be on site for these dates: January 15 thru 19, 2009.





3. If an SGL is the youth minister or primary leader of a group participating in Faith in 3D, the SGL will not be able to be the primary group leader for her/his youth group that weekend. The SGL will need to assign the primary responsibility of the youth group to another adult and may not be included as a chaperone for the requisite student/chaperone ratio.
4. Faith in 3D provides for 4 nights of housing, conference fees, pre-approved travel and a meal allowance.

Completed applications are due by September 15, 2008 and should be sent to the Passport office in one these ways:

Mail to: Faith in 3D
c/o Passport, Inc.
3421 Sierra Drive
Birmingham, AL 35216

Fax to: 205-822-1960

Email pdf to: info@faithin3d.org

The Faith in 3D Leadership Team will review each application and you will be notified by October 1, 2008.

As a Faith in 3D Small Group Leader, you will have the opportunity to interact with a wonderful collection of teenagers, GET FREE STUFF, GET FREE TICKETS, GET A KISS FROM MICKEY OR MINNIE MOUSE AND MORE!

Please prayerfully consider applying to be a Faith in 3D Small Group Leader! We are excited about this event and about young people from three faith traditions coming together for a weekend of dreaming what God can do through them in our world.



2009 Small Group Leader Application

Please print or type clearly and complete as much information as possible.

Section 1: Personal Information

Name: _____

Birthdate: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Occupation: _____ Employer: _____

Phones (with area code)

Work: _____ Home: _____ Mobile: _____

Best method of contact: Email Work Home Mobile

Denomination: PCUSA EC CBF

Name of Home Congregation/Parish: _____

Name of Home Presbytery/Diocese/State Network: _____

Highest Degree Held: _____

Special Needs: _____

Skills (check all that apply):

2nd Language: _____

Sign Language CPR Certification First Aid

Because Faith in 3D is a culturally diverse and inclusive event, a balance in leadership is desired. To honor this, please check all that apply:

Male Female Asian African American Caucasian

Hispanic Native American Other: _____

I am willing to carpool with other SGLs to the event: Yes No



Section 2: References (relevant to your work in youth ministry)

Name: _____

Relationship to Applicant: _____ Years of Acquaintance: _____

Occupation/Employer: _____ Denomination: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Email: _____

Name: _____

Relationship to Applicant: _____ Years of Acquaintance: _____

Occupation/Employer: _____ Denomination: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Email: _____

Section 3: Youth Ministry Experience

Local Church/Parish

Description of Role	Date(s)

Conferences/Retreats

Description of Role	Date(s)

Other Small Group Leadership (check all that apply):

- Faith in 3D 2006
- Presbyterian Triennium
- Episcopal Youth Event
- Connection Assembly
- Montreat Youth Conference
- Passport Youth/Kids Camp Staff
- Other _____



Section 4: Personal Commitment

Small Group Preference: Jr. High Sr. High No Preference

Please answer the following questions in one paragraph each. Attach an additional sheet if necessary:

Why do you want to lead a Faith in 3D Small Group?

Describe your relationship to Jesus Christ.



SEXUAL MISCONDUCT DISCLOSURE & CERTIFICATION

Please check one of the following:

I certify by the signature below that no civil, criminal, or ecclesiastical complaint has ever been sustained* or is pending* against me for sexual misconduct or other immoral behavior; and that I have never resigned or been terminated from a position for reasons related to sexual misconduct or other immoral behavior.

I am unable to make the above certification. I offer, instead the following attached description of the complaint, termination, or the outcome of the situation with explanatory comments.

The information in this application form is accurate to the best of my knowledge and may be verified by Passport, Inc. and the Design Team for Faith in 3D 2009. I hereby authorize Passport, Inc. and the Design Team to inquire concerning any civil or criminal records, or any judicial or ecclesiastical proceedings involving me as a defendant, related to sexual misconduct. By means of this release I also authorize any previous employer, and any law enforcement agencies or judicial authorities or ecclesiastical governing bodies to release any and all requested relevant information related to sexual misconduct or other immoral behavior to Passport, Inc. and the Design Team.

I have read this certification and release form and fully understand that information obtained may be used to deny me appointment as a leader at the Faith in 3D 2009. I also agree that I will hold harmless the employing or judicial authority or any other entity from any and all claims, liabilities, and causes of actions for the legitimate release of any information related to sexual misconduct.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

* Sustained

1. In a criminal court, "sustained" means that there has been a guilty plea, a guilty verdict or a plea bargain.
2. In a civil court, "sustained" means that there has been a judgment against the defendant.
3. In an ecclesiastical case, "sustained" means that there has been a guilty plea and censure imposed, or finding of guilt with censure imposed, by a permanent judicial commission in the sponsoring denominations or an equivalent body of another church.

* Pending

1. In a criminal court, "pending" means a criminal charge before a grand jury, in the process of being prosecuted or a case in which there is not yet a verdict.
2. In a civil court, "pending" means a case in which there has not been a decision or judgment.
3. In an ecclesiastical case, "pending" means an accusation is being investigated by a special disciplinary committee or charges have been filed but have not yet been decided by a permanent judicial commission; or an accusation or charges are in an equivalent state or process in a church other than the sponsoring denominations.



BACKGROUND RELEASE FORM & AGREEMENT

I have signed this Release Form and Agreement as an expression of my commitment to help protect children, young people, and other vulnerable persons who may participate in Faith in 3D 2009 sponsored by the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), the Episcopal Church in America and the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship and produced by Passport, Inc. Accordingly, I now request and authorize the release of the personal information described below to the 2009 Faith in 3D Staff, Design Team, Passport, Inc. or its agents:

Any records of arrests, charges, or convictions of me contained in the files of any law enforcement agency or other government entity, whether such file is local, state-wide, or national. Any information related to my previous employment, including information about my character, job performance, and any termination of employment. Any information related to disciplinary proceedings against me for sexual misconduct or other immoral behavior before any church body.

I agree to release, hold harmless, and indemnify any person or organization which discloses information as requested in this Release form and against any liability, cause of action, or claim of damage which could be brought by me or on my behalf as a result of the release of the information. I understand that the information disclosed may be considered confidential and may be used as the basis of a decision not to permit me to participate as a leader in Faith in 3D 2009.

My consent to the release of the information described above shall expire six (6) months after the date of this Release. My agreement to hold harmless any person who discloses information as requested in this Release shall not expire.

I have read this Release and Agreement and make this request to disclose information as described above.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Full Printed Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Driver's License #/State: _____ SS #: _____

Current home address (no P.O. Box): _____

Previous addresses (past 5 years): _____

