



Adult Application for Leadership in Student Ministries

(All forms are due August 1st)

today's date: _____
name: _____
address: _____
home phone: _____ cell phone: _____
occupation: _____
e-mail address: _____@_____
date of birth (m/d): _____

Personal and Spiritual History

(These should be thoughtfully answered on a separate sheet of paper.)

1. Write a brief testimony about your walk as a Christian.
2. How would you describe your relationship with Christ now?
3. Have you ever been involved in a D-Group (or small group) and how has it shaped your relationship with Christ?
4. What life commitments do you have that could conflict with leading a group on Wednesday evenings? (MS Applicants only)
 - How might these other activities conflict with your commitment as a DGL?
 - How do you plan on dealing with the time conflicts when they arise?
5. What type of student do you think you would minister to the best (e.g. athletic, wild, quiet, musical, etc.)
6. What is your view on age restricted substances? (i.e. tobacco & alcohol)
7. Is there any behavior in your life (past or present) that may call in to question your integrity as a leader?

If you would prefer to have a discussion on this subject with a student minister, check here.
8. How long have you attended CUMC? ____ Are you a member? yes no
9. What are two of your strengths you feel will help you be a good DGL?
10. What are two weaknesses you'd like to work on?



Adult Applicant: Recommendation for Leadership in Student Ministries

Applicant: _____

This form is to be completed by another adult who knows you well and can assess your spiritual walk. It can be a current D-Group Leader, Minister (NOT Student Ministry staff), Small Group Leader or other peer who knows you well. We ask that you not use any relative.

Referent:

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

How long have you known the applicant? _____

*** Please fill out and mail to the CUMC Student Ministry at the following address:**

CUMC Student Ministry
6000 Old Canton Rd.
Jackson, MS 39211
Attn: Rhonda Berry

Describe your relationship with the applicant:

Please check the response which you feel best describes the applicant:

	Excellent	Above Avg	Average	Below Avg	No Evaluation
1. Cooperation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Dependability	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Emotional Stability	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Intelligence	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Leadership	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Initiative	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Social Maturity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Moral Integrity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Christian Maturity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

What are the applicant's strengths & weaknesses?

What gifts or skills does the applicant have that would benefit D-Groups/Student Ministries?

In what ways does the applicant live out the mission statement of Christ UMC:

A community experiencing the transforming grace of Jesus Christ

**Are there any issues that need to be addressed with the applicant before he/she becomes a DGL?
Explain.**

Is there any reason this applicant should not be a D-Group Leader?

Please make any additional comments on the reverse of this form.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

D-Group Leadership Covenant – Adults

CUMC Student Ministry
2010-2011 Ministry Year

After observation of the ministry, time I have spent in prayer, and discussing with my family the commitment involved with being in leadership with students, I choose to commit to the following:

Servant-Leadership: Lifestyle of Biblical Faith/Trust

- Life of Faith/Trust: I confess that Jesus is Lord, and trust Him for life. Also, as a servant-leader, I commit to learning what it means to trust Jesus with my life more fully.
- Life of Growth: As a servant-leader I commit to seeking to grow in my trust and love of Jesus through public (worship service) and personal worship (prayer, Bible reading, journaling, etc.) and involvement in an accountability, community, growth group and/or Sunday School class for my own age group.
- Life of Consistency: As a servant-leader I commit to grow in my consistency of life so that the students that are in my group see the same leader at church and in public.
- Life of Sacrifice: I understand that part of growing in faith and consistency as a servant-leader is learning to live a life of sacrifice, and in our culture this means sacrificing some things that people assume are normal. As a Christian leader of teenagers in our culture I understand that if I choose to drink alcohol, I need to do so wisely, not in excess, being aware of time, place and perception (1 Timothy 3:1-3).
- Life of Purity: I understand that part of growing in faith and consistency as a servant-leader is learning to live a life of purity. As a servant-leader I commit to learning boundaries and to loving accountability so that I may grow in sexual purity and integrity. I will make every effort to avoid being alone with students of either gender and will notify a student minister if I find myself in this situation.
- Life of Transparency: I understand that part of growing in faith and consistency is being transparent, or open. As a servant-leader I commit to being mentored in leadership and will be open to loving accountability and, if needed, loving discipline.
- Life of Accountability: I understand that if I make decisions that are not consistent with a Christian leader, the Student ministry will address my behavior and if necessary, ask me to step down from leadership.

Servant-Leadership: Time Commitments

- I understand the mission statement of CUMC and the relational philosophy of the Student Ministry, and I am committed to shepherding the youth or children that God brings to me, both during program times and during the week.
- I am making a servant-leadership commitment for at least the full school year with the understanding that a vast majority of D-Groups stay together through High School.
- I will attend periodic Servant-Leadership meetings & prayer time, and will communicate with the appropriate staff member if I have legitimate work or family conflict.

Servant-Leadership: Middle School D-Group Leaders

- I commit to, in addition to shepherding my D-Group, mentoring the Student D-Group leader I am given. Part of this shepherding is having a line of communication with the SM Staff about your Student leader's ongoing qualifications for Christian leadership.
- Because I am making a significant commitment and my presence is important, I agree to be consistent and timely on Wednesday nights. I understand that participation in Middle School Worship and Bible Study is expected as my role as a D-Group Leader. I also agree to communicate with the appropriate Student Ministry staff member if I will be absent.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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Background Investigation Consent Form

I, (Print name) _____ do authorize _____
United Methodist Church to make an investigation of my background, references, character, past
employment, criminal records and where applicable, my motor vehicle records for the purpose of
confirming the information contained on my application or volunteer form. I understand this authorization
extends to the obtaining of information which may be material to my qualifications for employment or as a
volunteer.

I release (name of church) _____ and Trak-1 Technologies from any and all
liabilities, claim or lawsuits in regards to the information obtained from any and all of the above referenced
sources used.

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION:

Full Name _____

Phone Number _____

Maiden Name or Other Names Used _____

Present Street Address _____

City/ State/ Zip Code _____

Length of time at present address _____

Former street address _____

City/ State/ Zip Code _____

Length of time at former address _____

Date of Birth _____/_____/_____

Social Security Number _____ - _____ - _____

Driver's License Number _____ State of Issue _____

By signing below, I do acknowledge the material contained above to be true and correct to the best of my
knowledge.

Signature and Date

Printed Name and Date