



TEACHER/EMPLOYER REFERENCE FORM

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To the applicant: Please print your name and address on the lines below, and give this reference to a teacher or employer who knows you well (preferably 6 months or longer). If your teacher/employer is also a family member, please give the reference to a mentor, cell group leader, youth group leader, or specialty teacher (such as a coach, music teacher, etc.) instead.

Name of applicant

_____ Last First Middle Initial

Address

_____ Street Address City State Zip Code

Phone Number () _____ **E-mail Address** _____

To the person writing this reference:

The above-named individual is applying for participation in Converge, a 4 month internship with an emphasis on prayer and missions. The program consists of extensive time in our Prayer Room, growing in the ministry of prayer, extensive teaching, a practical training work assignment on campus, living in a Christian community in which personal mentoring and discipleship are integrated, and outreach options. In view of the nature of this program, we would greatly appreciate your careful and thoughtful consideration to the following evaluation of the applicant. *All references are held in strict confidence and will not be shown to the applicant.*

Your Name _____ **Relationship to Applicant** _____

Your Address _____
Street Address City State Zip Code

Daytime Phone Number () _____ **E-mail Address** _____

How long have you known the applicant? _____ months _____ years **In what capacity?** _____

Please check all of the following reasons that you feel may be motivational in the applicant's desire to attend _____:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Is a new Christian, desiring discipleship | <input type="checkbox"/> Wants to grow in relationship with God |
| <input type="checkbox"/> To escape an unpleasant home situation | <input type="checkbox"/> Seeking the Lord for direction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Failure in past endeavors/needs a new start | <input type="checkbox"/> Desire to serve the Lord in missions/evangelism |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of other options | <input type="checkbox"/> Desire to develop giftings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wants to learn more about prayer and worship | <input type="checkbox"/> Desire to help others |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hopes to find support in dealing with profound personal/emotional needs | <input type="checkbox"/> Desire to please parents/pastor |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown |

To your knowledge has the applicant had a history of, or is currently experiencing any of the following:

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Substance abuse ___alcohol ___drugs | <input type="checkbox"/> Chronic Depression |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal conviction/Parole | <input type="checkbox"/> Psychiatric Treatment/Counseling |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Debilitative Anxiety | <input type="checkbox"/> Eating Disorders |

Please indicate the approximate dates of any item you marked above: _____

Please comment on any of the above items that you have marked:

Is the applicant financially responsible? ___Yes ___ No **If "No" please explain:**

Please comment on the applicant's home/family life

Please mark any of the following descriptions that you observe to be true of the applicant.

1. Physical Fitness

- Frequently incapacitated
- Somewhat below average
- Healthy
- Very fit
- Obsessive about fitness and diet

2. Social Skills

- Avoided by others
- Tolerated by others
- Liked by others
- Well-liked by others
- Very popular/sought after by others

3. Intelligence

- Learns and thinks slowly
- Somewhat below average
- Average
- Alert; has a good mind
- Extraordinary; exceptional mental ability

4. Response to Difficulties

- Easily angered/impulsive
- Suffers from frequent bouts of depression
- Defensive/territorial
- Tendency to withdraw
- Easily discouraged
- Responds constructively
- Overcomes with ease and grace

5. Teamwork

- Frequently causes friction
- Great difficulties in working under authority
- Insists on having his/her own way
- Usually cooperative
- Respects the views and ideas of others
- Thrives in team situations

6. Emotional Responsiveness

- Oblivious to the needs of others
- Self-centered/immature
- Inconsistent, but makes an effort to meet other's needs
- Understanding and thoughtful
- Consistently loving toward others

7. Willingness to Serve

- Refuses to serve
- Reluctant to serve
- Willing, but on his/her own terms
- Willing, but sometimes struggles with follow-through
- Eager to serve
- Eager to serve in any capacity/selfless

8. Achievement

- Does not commit to any tasks
- Starts tasks but doesn't finish them
- Undependable/not trustworthy
- Does only what is assigned
- Eager to improve/self-motivated
- Proactive/enthusiastic/creative/motivates others

9. Leadership Potential

- Completely dependent on the leadership of others
- Tries, but lacks ability
- Lacks self-confidence, but has potential
- Natural leader/regularly surfaces in leadership positions
- Driving/commands the submission of others

10. Christian Experience

- Uncertain/not evident
- Superficial
- Overly emotional
- Legalistic
- Genuine, but immature
- Evident and growing
- Mature/solid
- Contagious

If you were working on a project with a team of people for an extended period of time would you elect to include the applicant on your team? Please explain:

What is your overall evaluation of the applicant's suitability for this program?

- I do not recommend the applicant
- I recommend the applicant with reservations
- I recommend the applicant
- I highly recommend the applicant

Please comment:

Is there anything else that you would like us to know as we evaluate the applicant's request for admission?

Your signature: _____ Date: _____