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Application for Admissions to EPIC Commission

- Please include a \$25 application fee when submitting after May 1st
- \$500* is due two weeks after acceptance letter is received, no later than May 1st
- EPIC Commission must receive **both** a pastoral and friend/relative recommendation before a student is considered for admission. Please be diligent to follow-up on your recommendation forms.

*non-refundable deposit

Student Information

Name		Street Address		City/State/Zip	
Home Phone ()		Cell Phone ()		Work Phone ()	
Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)		Age	E-mail Address		
Social Security Number			Shirt Size	Gender <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Relational Status <input type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Dating <input type="checkbox"/> Engaged <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced
Year of HS Graduation or GED <input type="checkbox"/> 2013 <input type="checkbox"/> 2012 <input type="checkbox"/> 2011 <input type="checkbox"/> 2010 <input type="checkbox"/> 2009 <input type="checkbox"/> 2008 <input type="checkbox"/> 2007 <input type="checkbox"/> _____			Do you have children? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, please list ages: Do you have custody of children? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If no, please custody arrangement:		

Parent/Guardian Information

Name of father or male guardian:		Address, City, State & ZIP			
Daytime Phone ()		Evening Phone ()		Cell Phone ()	
E-mail				Occupation	
Has your father/male guardian accepted Christ as their savior? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			Is your father/male guardian in favor of you attending EPIC Commission? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Name of mother or female guardian:		Address, City, State & ZIP			
Daytime Phone ()		Evening Phone ()		Cell Phone ()	
E-mail				Occupation	
Has your mother/female guardian accepted Christ as their savior? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			Is your mother/female guardian in favor of you attending EPIC Commission? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		

Health Information

Please answer the following questions honestly. Responses are used for confidential informational purposes and will not solely affect your acceptance.

List any allergies _____

List any physical limitations _____

List any medications you are currently using _____

Have you ever consulted professional counseling/therapy? Yes No
If yes, please explain. _____

Have you ever used illegal drugs? Yes No
If yes, please give date of last use: _____

Have you ever used or smoked tobacco? Yes No
If yes, please give date of last use: _____

Have you ever consumed alcohol? Yes No
If yes, please give date of last use: _____

Do you have health insurance? Yes, through my parents Yes, through my own policy No

College Track | Discipleship Track

As an EPIC Commission student you are given the option to either pursue a college track or a discipleship track. In the college track you are able to take up to 12 credit hours per semester at a college of your choice. In the discipleship track you are able to either work or experience an extended apprentice experience. Both tracks must fit within the EC schedule.

What track will you be taking, the college track or discipleship track _____

If taking the COLLEGE TRACK, please answer the following questions:

Are you already a student at a college/university? Yes No

If Yes: What school? _____

What year will you be this fall? FR SO JR SR

If No: What college or university are you planning to attend this coming fall?
 Kalamazoo Valley Community College Western Michigan University
 Kalamazoo College Other _____

What major will you pursue? _____

Have you already applied to the college or university you plan to attend?
 Yes No

If you've applied, have you been accepted? Yes No

How many credit hours will you be taking in the Fall? _____ Spring? _____

Are you willing to take your college classes each term within the time slots allotted by the EC schedule?
(Tuesdays & Thursdays from 8am to 4pm or Mon, Tues, Wed. after 5pm) Yes No

Do you plan on taking 6 credit hours of college over the summer? Yes No Maybe

If taking the DISCIPLESHIP TRACK, please answer the following questions:

Will you want to work or experience an extended apprentice experience? _____

If you plan on working answer the following questions:

If you plan on working, how many hours a week do you plan to work? _____

Where will your place of employment be during EPIC Commission? _____

Are you willing to work only within the time slots allotted by the EC weekly schedule? Yes No
(Not on Mondays from 9am-3:30pm, Wednesdays from 9am-4:30pm, Thursdays from 7-10pm, Fridays from 8am-noon, or Sundays from 5-9pm)

If you would like to experience an extended apprentice experience, please answer the following questions:

Are you willing to work your extended apprentice experience 15 hours a week? Yes No
(On Tuesday and Thursdays from 8:30-4:30pm)

Economic Standing

Please note that students are responsible for their own transportation to and from all events and classes

Do you have a reliable vehicle for transportation? Yes No

Is your vehicle insured? Yes No

Are you currently employed? Yes No

Current employer _____

Position _____

Date of hire _____

Previous employer		Position
Date you left previous job	Reason for leaving previous job <input type="checkbox"/> I resigned for a new job <input type="checkbox"/> I quit <input type="checkbox"/> I was laid off <input type="checkbox"/> I was fired	
List any debts, outstanding loans or other payments you presently have and the amount for each:		
Will these debts be paid off by the start of the school year? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If no, when will they be paid off?		
How do you plan to make payments on your debts while in EPIC Commission?		
What financial payment option do you expect to use to pay for your tuition after the initial \$1500 is paid? <input type="checkbox"/> Full payment <input type="checkbox"/> 3 payments <input type="checkbox"/> 8 payments		
Who is responsible for the full payment of your tuition? <input type="checkbox"/> My parent(s)/guardian(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Myself <input type="checkbox"/> Combination		
Pricing information is included on the next page		
The cost of EPIC Commission* is \$5,999 to be paid in this fashion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$500 deposit due upon acceptance • \$1,000 due by August 28 (move-in day) • Remaining \$4,499 can be paid in one of 3 ways: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Full payment of \$4,499 due August 28 (move-in day) 2. 3 payments of \$1,524.66 due on 15th of each month: <i>October 15, January 15 & April 15. (Includes \$25 processing fee/payment)</i> 3. 8 payments of \$587.38 due on 15th of each month: <i>September 15, October 15, November 15, December 15, January 15, February 15, March 15 & April 15. (Includes \$25 processing fee/payment)</i> <p><i>*The cost of EPIC Commission includes housing, electric, EPIC School of Ministry, and EC tuition (students are also required to take 12 credit hours/semester at a local Kalamazoo college/university, but the cost of the college component is not included in the EC cost)</i></p>		
Church information		
Do you attend Valley Family Church? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	How long have you attended VFC?	
How many times a week do you attend VFC? (This would include en fuego HS services, Threshold or weekend services)		
Are you an official member of VFC? (either through your parents or own membership) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
List the different ministries that you have been or are currently involved in at VFC:		
If you do not attend VFC, what is the name of your church?		
Full address of your church (if not VFC)		
Phone number of your church (if not VFC)		
How many times a week do you attend services at your church? (if not VFC)		
Are you an official member of your church? (either through your parents or own membership) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
List the different ministries that you have been or are currently involved in at your church (if not VFC)		

Background Information

How and when did you accept Christ?

Have you been baptized by immersion in water? Yes No

Have you been filled with the Holy Spirit with the initial evidence of speaking in other tongues? Yes No
Please note this is not a requirement for acceptance.

Date you received the baptism of the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking in other tongues: _____

Briefly state how you know you are filled with the Holy Spirit:

In the time since your initial salvation experience, has there been a period when you did not live for the Lord: Yes No

If Yes, please explain briefly and indicate the approximate date of your decision to fully commit your life to the Lord.

Have you ever been arrested and or/convicted of a crime? Yes No

Do you have any history of, or ever been accused of, any form of child abuse or sexual assault? Yes No

Do you have any history of drug and/or alcohol abuse? Yes No

Do you have or have you had any involvement with pornography? Yes No
If Yes, please explain to what extent AND the last date of involvement:

Are you currently living with a boyfriend/girlfriend/fiancé? Yes No

Have you ever been a patient (committed or voluntary) in a mental hospital or sanitarium? Yes No
(If Yes, specify when, where, why, name of doctor, and complete address of hospital or clinic in space below).

Are you currently or have you ever been involved with homosexuality/lesbianism? Yes No

If Yes give date(s): From _____ to _____.

Is there anything from your past that could hurt the ministry of VFC? Yes No

Please explain any "Yes" answers in the space below:

Please fill out the Background Check form located on the next page.



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BACKGROUND CHECK RELEASE FORM

For liability reasons, as well as the well-being of our staff and congregation, we perform an annual background check on all staff members and all persons wishing to serve in any area of Volunteer Ministry at Valley Family Church. ***This information will be kept strictly confidential.***

I, _____, hereby authorize Valley Family Church and/or its agents to make an independent investigation of my background, references, character, past employment, education, adult criminal or police records, and motor vehicle records including those maintained by both public and private organizations and all public records for the purpose of confirming the information contained on my Application and/or obtaining other information which may be material to my qualifications for employment/service now and, if applicable, during the tenure of my service with Valley Family Church.

I release Valley Family Church and its agents and any person or entity, which provides information pursuant to this authorization, from any and all liabilities, claims or law suits in regards to the information obtained from any and all of the above referenced sources used. The following is my true and complete legal name and all information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge:

Full Name: _____

Maiden Name (and/or other names used): _____

Social Security Number: _____ **Date of Birth:** _____

Present Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

How Long at Present Address? _____ **Number of years lived in Michigan:** _____

Drivers License Number: _____ **State of Issue:** _____

Please list all states and counties of residence since turning age 18: _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

We understand that prior to your life in Christ, you may have been involved in activities that you are not proud of. Remember that we are now new creatures in Christ; the old is gone and the new has come. While this form is an important part of our administration process, we want you to know that this information will be kept in strict confidence.

Statement of Faith

Please check "Yes" or "No" next to each "I Believe..." statement

- Yes No **1. I Believe....** THE SCRIPTURES - the Bible is the inspired, inerrant, infallible Word of God and the product of God-appointed men who spoke and wrote as they were moved upon by the Holy Spirit. The New Covenant, as recorded in the New Testament, we accept as our infallible guide in matters pertaining to conduct. (2 Timothy 3:16, 1 Thessalonians 2:13, 2 Peter 1:21)
- Yes No **2. I Believe....** THE GODHEAD - God is One, but manifested in three persons - the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, being co-equal. God the Father is greater than all. The Son Jesus, is the Word made flesh, the only begotten son of the Father and He has existed with the Father from the beginning. The Holy Spirit proceeds forth from both the Father and the Son and is our Helper, Comforter, Strengthener, Advocate, Intercessor, Counselor, Standby. (Philippians 2:6, John 14:28, John 16:28, John 1:14, John 1:1, John 1:18, John 15:26)
- Yes No **3. I Believe....** MAN'S FALL AND REDEMPTION - Man is a created being; made in the likeness and image of God. Through Adam's transgression and fall, sin came into the world, and death was the result. Therefore, man is spiritually dead and separated from God. Jesus Christ, the Son of God, was sent to give His life and shed His blood to redeem and restore man back to God by providing us with salvation. Salvation is the gift of God to man, separate from works and the law, and it is by grace, through faith in Jesus Christ that we are saved. Jesus is the way, the truth and the life and no one comes to the Father but by Him. (Romans 5:14, Romans 3:10, Romans 3:23, 1 John 3:8, Ephesians 2:8, John 14:6)
- Yes No **4. I Believe....** BORN OF THE SPIRIT - Man's first step toward salvation is godly sorrow that works repentance. In order to be saved and receive eternal life, Jesus said every person must be born again. The New Birth is necessary to all men, and when experienced, produces eternal life. For God so loved the world, He gave His only begotten Son that whoever believes in Him would not perish, but have everlasting life. (2 Corinthians 7:10, 1 John 5:12, John 3:3-5, John 3:16)
- Yes No **5. I Believe....** BEING FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT - Every believer should be "born of" the Spirit and subsequently "filled with" the Holy Spirit. This is also known as: the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, receiving the Spirit or being filled with the Spirit. This is a gift from God as promised by the Lord Jesus Christ to all believers and is received by faith, subsequent to the New Birth. Being filled with the Spirit gives a believer power to be a witness for Christ, and is the entry point for the supernatural, victorious life. The Bible teaches that this experience is received by faith and is often evidenced by the accompanying supernatural gifts of the Spirit, including speaking in tongues. (Matt. 3:11, John 14:16,17, Acts 1:8, 2:4,38, 19:1-7, Eph 5:18)
- Yes No **6. I Believe....** WATER BAPTISM - Jesus commanded all believers to go public with their faith through water baptism, by immersion. Water baptism is a public declaration of the internal work of God in the heart and life of a believer. This is a symbol of the Christian's identification with Christ in His death, burial, and resurrection. (Matthew 28:19, Romans 6:4, Colossians 2:12, Acts 8:36-39)
- Yes No **7. I Believe....** SANCTIFICATION - The true Christian life is evidenced by the godly fruit of the Spirit that is developed and produced in the life of a believer. This process of sanctification leads to a genuine, holy, Christ-like life and is a definite, yet progressive work of grace. This process begins at the time of the new birth and continues throughout our Christian life. (Hebrews 12:14, 1 Thessalonians 5:23, 2 Peter 3:18, 2 Corinthians 3:18, Philippians 3:12-14, 1 Corinthians 1:30)
- Yes No **8. I Believe....** DIVINE HEALING - We believe that Jesus desires the abundant life for all believers who walk in the light of His Word. This includes many blessings - spirit, soul and body. God promises to forgive all our sins and to heal all our diseases. Therefore, we believe that health and healing for the mental, emotional and physical ills of the human mind and body is available by the power of God. The Bible teaches us several pathways by which to access God's divine help and healing power and this includes: the prayer of faith, the laying on of hands, being led by the Spirit and/or by the supernatural gifts of the Spirit. Healing has been provided for in the atonement of Christ, and is the privilege of every member of the Church today. (John 10:10, Ps ` 103:3, Mark 16:18, James 5:14-25, 1 Peter 2:24, Matthew 8:17, Isaiah 53:4-5)
- Yes No **9. I Believe....** THE RETURN OF OUR LORD - We believe in the physical, bodily return of the Lord Jesus Christ. We believe His coming is imminent. When He comes, the dead in Christ will rise first, then we who are alive will be caught up together with them in the clouds (what we refer to as the Rapture), to meet the Lord in the air. After this rapture event, we believe the Tribulation, a period of 7 years, will take place on earth. Following the Tribulation, Jesus shall return to the Earth as King of kings, the Lord of lords. Believers will return with Him will reign with Christ on earth for a thousand years during what is known as the Millennial Reign of Christ. (Acts 1:11, 1 Thessalonians 4:16,17, Revelation 20:6)
- Yes No **10. I Believe....** HELL AND ETERNAL RETRIBUTION - We believe that a person who physically dies without accepting and confessing Jesus Christ as Lord is hopelessly and eternally lost. This person will spend eternity in hell and the Lake of Fire, and therefore, has no further opportunity of hearing the Gospel and repenting. The Lake of Fire is literal. The terms "eternal" and "everlasting" used in describing the duration of punishment in the Lake of Fire carry the same thought and meaning of endless existence as used in denoting the duration of joy and ecstasy of believers in the presence of God. (Hebrews 9:27, Revelation 19:20)
- Yes No **11. I Believe....** WOMEN IN MINISTRY - God uses both men and women in ministry. We are passionate about a church with both men and women in leadership. We believe Jesus has called both men and women to be preachers and teachers of the Gospel (Acts 2:17-18; John 20:17).

References

Reference #1

First & last name

What is their relationship to you?

Phone number

How long have you known them?

Reference #2

First & last name

What is their relationship to you?

Phone number

How long have you known them?

Reference #3

First & last name

What is their relationship to you?

Phone number

How long have you known them?

Short Answer Questions

Please answer these questions in a short essay of 200-300 words

What are some key qualities you feel you must have to be a spiritual leader?

What do you plan to do after EPIC Commission?

How did you hear about EPIC Commission?

If someone told you about EPIC Commission, what is their name?

Why do you desire to attend EPIC Commission?

What would you like to gain personally as a result of attending EPIC Commission?

Return this application to:
Valley Family Church
Attn: EPIC Commission
2500 Vincent Avenue, Kalamazoo, MI 49024