

SST Program

Youth With A Mission - Tyler, Texas

Do you understand what it means to truly know God?

Do you long to hear the Lord's voice daily?

Do you desire to make an impact on your world?

Do you want to know the destiny God has for your life?

Do you want to be ruined for the ordinary?

Do you want to have a summer you'll never forget?

If your answer to any of the above questions is "Yes," then join us for YWAM Tyler's missions training: SST.

SST is two weeks of getting to know God that will change your life forever. In just seven days SST will kindle the flame you already have, and then send you off to Houston, TX to spread that fire. The SST program emphasizes heart transformation and character development, not the accumulation of knowledge. It's a journey to discover the heart of God and learn His ways. In SST, knowing God personally and intimately is the bottom line. This intense, two week, spiritual "boot camp" is designed to lay a foundation in your life which will equip you to make a dynamic difference in your world!

COURSE CONTENT

The SST is divided into two phases: A seven day lecture phase followed by a seven-day outreach phase.

I. LECTURE PHASE

The first week of the SST includes the following aspects:

A. CLASSROOM CURRICULUM

You will receive powerful teaching from Christian leaders and experienced missionaries on topics such as:

1. Hearing God's voice
2. The character and ways of God
3. How to know God personally
4. Dating, sex, and love
5. Worship and spiritual warfare
6. How do I pray and get answers?
7. Who am I and how do I find my identity?

B. SMALL GROUPS

Purposes of the small groups are:

1. To build deeper relationships with one of the staff members and several other students
2. To create an opportunity for students to ask questions regarding the teaching, share what God is doing in his/her life, and receive prayer and support from the group

C. INTERCESSION GROUPS

Intercession is prayer where we put ourselves in the place of identification with existing needs, seeking the Lord's direction on how to pray, and seeking His intervention in that particular situation. During these times we mainly focus on outreach, and on needs other than our own.

D. QUIET TIMES

Time is set aside each day for you to be alone with God. It's the most important time of the day for personal growth.

E. MINISTRY PREP

In preparation for outreach in Houston, Texas, we will train you in the ministry of your choice including:

Children's Ministry/Vacation Bible School
Worship
Drama
Dance
Prison Ministry
Clowns

F. DAILY SCHEDULE

An average day during the lecture phase might look like this:

7 : 00 AM	Wake up and get ready
7 : 45	Breakfast
8 : 15	Worship
8 : 45	Quiet Time (QT)
9 : 15	QT sharing
9 : 30	Small Group discussion
10 : 15	Class
11 : 30	Intercession (prayer) groups
12 : 00 PM	Intercession sharing time
12 : 15	Lunch
1 : 30	Ministry Prep
3 : 00	Challenge Course
4 : 15	Swim in the lake
5 : 00	Dinner
6 : 00	Free time
7 : 00	Worship
7 : 30	Class
9 : 30	Get ready for bed
10 : 00	Curfew
10 : 30	Lights out

II. OUTREACH PHASE

The seven-day SST outreach is to Houston, TX. The outreach is designed to expose you to various needs of the people of this world.

Applying the principles and perspectives learned during the lecture phase, you will see how God can use you to show His love to others and extend His kingdom on earth!

You will be able to deliver the message of His life and hope that brings healing to the nations. You will share Christ's love in various ways: child evangelism, dramas, music, sharing testimonies, church ministry, and practical help for the poor and needy.

Whenever possible, teams work alongside an existing fellowship, usually referring new believers to that church. After the outreach, the team returns to our base for a time of sharing what God has done.

TUITION PAYMENT POLICY

All students are expected to pay the full tuition amount at SST registration (during the first day of the program).

AFTER SST TRAINING

SST is only the beginning of the missions training opportunities available through YWAM Tyler. The Phase 2 and Phase 3 programs that follow are a must, as well as our long-term college age training.

There are a variety of opportunities to serve as a full-time staff member with Youth With A Mission. Whether here in Tyler, or at one of over 1,100 YWAM centers around the world, we can help prepare you for what God is calling you to do.



Guidelines to Completing SST Application

Thank you for applying to YWAM Tyler's SST program. In order for us to process your application, we must receive each of the following items:

- ☐ **Application Form.** Please make sure Sections A–F are completed.
- ☐ **One Recent Photo** (wallet-size).
- ☐ **Confidential Health Form.**
- ☐ **Physician's Evaluation.** This form includes a physical, which a physician must sign, and your immunization records.
- ☐ **Release Form.**
- ☐ **One Reference Form.** Please fill out the top portion of the reference form. Give it to your pastor/youth minister/ spiritual leader, or a teacher/employer, or a mature Christian friend. Provide them with a stamped envelope addressed to:

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- ☐ **Application Fee.** A non-refundable application fee of \$50 must be sent with the application

YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED OF YOUR ACCEPTANCE ONCE ALL PORTIONS OF THE APPLICATION HAVE BEEN RECEIVED AND REVIEWED BY THE SST LEADERSHIP TEAM.

Note For Non-U.S. Residents

All payments of application and tuition fees should be made in U.S. Dollars. You may go to your bank and request an International Money Order in U.S. Dollars—the correct document will have nine (9) magnetic numbers at the bottom. If another form of payment is received we will have to send the check for processing which can take up to six weeks. In addition, a service charge will be deducted. If you are unable to obtain an International Money Order in U.S. Dollars in your country we will process your funds, but you must make up the balance of funds needed.



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photo here.

SST Application

Dates I'm applying for: _____ Group name: _____
If you are coming with one

SECTION A: Personal Information

(Please print or type) Please be sure to include the non-refundable application fee.

Name _____ Phone () _____
Last (Family) First (Given) Middle

Present Address _____
Street City State/Province Zip Country

Email _____ Gender _____ Date of Birth _____ / _____ / _____ Age: _____
Male/Female Day Spell Month Year

Parent/Guardian _____
Last (Family) First (Given) Relationship

Address _____
Street City State/Province Zip Country

Email Address _____ Phone _____

SECTION B: Church Information

Home Church _____ How long have you attended? _____

Church Address _____ Church Denomination _____

Pastor's Name _____ Church Phone () _____

SECTION C: Passport/Visa Information

Country of Citizenship _____

Name as it appears on passport _____

City and country where passport was issued _____ Passport # _____

Passport Expiry Date _____ Visa Type _____ Date Visa Issued _____
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City and country where visa was issued _____ Visa Expiry Date _____



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SECTION D: Education/Employment/Skills

Highest grade completed _____

What languages do you speak? (most fluent to least) 1. _____ 2. _____

3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____

Present Employer _____ Position _____

Other Skills _____ Years Experience _____

Musical Abilities/Other Talents _____

SECTION E: Financial Information

Do you have the total SST fees? ☐ Yes ☐ No If no, what percentage do you have? _____

From what source(s) will you receive the remainder? _____

Do you have any outstanding debts? If so, explain _____

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SECTION F: Supplemental Questions

Please prayerfully and concisely answer the following questions on a separate piece of paper. Please print or type.

- A. How long have you been a born again Christian? If applicable, describe your conversion experience and present relationship with the Lord.
- B. Describe other significant spiritual experiences you have had in your walk with the Lord.
- C. How would you describe your relationship with your family? Include how they feel about your plans to attend this YWAM program.
- D. Describe your relationship with your local church. Include areas of service and leadership.
- E. Are you presently employed or in school? Please specify.
- F. Describe your long-term goals. Has God spoken to you about your life's calling? Specify.
- G. Have you had any missions experience? If so, where and what type(s) of ministry were you involved in? Was any of it with YWAM?
- H. Have you ever been involved in a felonious crime, drug or alcohol abuse, occultic activities, petty theft, homosexual practices, or have you ever suffered from an eating disorder? Explain.
- I. What areas of your character are you presently seeking God to further develop and improve?
- J. How did you hear about the YWAM campus in Tyler, Texas? Why do you desire to attend this program?
- K. Please list any special circumstances or situations we should know about.
- L. Please list the name, address and phone number of your reference.

I certify that all information in this application is complete and accurate. If accepted by Youth With A Mission, I will abide by the spirit, rules, and schedule of the program. I understand that any and all Confidential Evaluations in my file are YWAM property, and I relinquish the right to view them or obtain information from them in any way. In accordance with biblical principles, I agree to resolve any and all disputes with Youth With A Mission, its directors or staff by means of reconciliation or mediation and waive any right to pursue action by way of litigation. I confirm that I understand that payment of required tuition fees must be made upon or before arrival. I also confirm that I am fully aware of my financial obligation, both to the Lord and to the students and staff at YWAM. I therefore commit myself to paying all personal expenses incurred during my involvement with Youth With A Mission.

Signature _____ Date _____



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Confidential Health Form

Name _____ Program applying for _____
Last (Family) First (Given) Middle

In an emergency, contact _____ Phone () _____

Medical Insurance Co. _____

Insurance # _____ Medical Insurance Co. Phone () _____

PERSONAL HISTORY

Please answer all questions. Explain any "Yes" answers in the space below.

HAVE YOU EVER HAD, OR DO YOU HAVE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING?

	Yes	No		Yes	No		Yes	No
Skin conditions	☐	☐	Shortness of breath	☐	☐	Stomach/duodenal ulcer	☐	☐
Eye trouble	☐	☐	Asthma, hay fever	☐	☐	Gall bladder problems	☐	☐
Ear trouble	☐	☐	Heart trouble	☐	☐	Jaundice	☐	☐
Head injury	☐	☐	High blood pressure	☐	☐	Hepatitis	☐	☐
Recurrent headaches	☐	☐	Low blood pressure	☐	☐	Intestinal troubles	☐	☐
Epilepsy	☐	☐	Rheumatism/arthritis	☐	☐	Recurrent diarrhea	☐	☐
Fainting spells	☐	☐	Back problems	☐	☐	Diabetes	☐	☐
Mental/nervous disorders	☐	☐	Dislocation of joints	☐	☐	Kidney disease	☐	☐
Weakness	☐	☐	Broken bones	☐	☐	Anemia	☐	☐
Paralysis	☐	☐	Eating disorders	☐	☐	Venereal disease	☐	☐
Insomnia	☐	☐	Anorexia nervosa	☐	☐	Tumor/cancer	☐	☐
Allergies	☐	☐	Bulimia	☐	☐	FEMALES ONLY		
Penicillin	☐	☐	Surgery	☐	☐	Irregular periods	☐	☐
Sulfonamides	☐	☐	Appendectomy	☐	☐	Severe cramps	☐	☐
Serum	☐	☐	Hernia repair	☐	☐	Excessive flow	☐	☐
Other (specify below)	☐	☐	Tonsillectomy	☐	☐	Are you pregnant?	☐	☐
Food (specify below)	☐	☐	Other (specify below)	☐	☐	Previous pregnancies	☐	☐

Other/Explain _____

Are you now under doctor's care for any condition? ☐ Yes ☐ No (specify) _____

Are you taking any medication at this time? ☐ Yes ☐ No (specify) _____

Do you have any physical handicaps or health conditions which require special attention? ☐ Yes ☐ No (specify) _____

Do you have a history of receiving counseling or psychiatric treatment? ☐ Yes ☐ No (specify) _____

Height _____ Weight _____ Blood Type _____

Would you rate your health condition as: ☐ Excellent ☐ Good ☐ Fair ☐ Poor

FAMILY HISTORY

Have any of your relatives ever had any of the following?

Yes	No	Relationship	Yes	No	Relationship
☐	☐	Tuberculosis	☐	☐	Arthritis
☐	☐	Diabetes	☐	☐	Stomach problems
☐	☐	Kidney disease	☐	☐	Asthma, hay fever
☐	☐	Heart disease	☐	☐	Convulsions, epilepsy
☐	☐	Hypertension	☐	☐	Cancer

Have you ever had any of the following COMMUNICABLE DISEASES?

Yes	No		Yes	No	
☐	☐	Chickenpox	☐	☐	Pertussis
☐	☐	Measles (Rubella)	☐	☐	Scarlet Fever
☐	☐	Measles (Rubeola)	☐	☐	Tuberculosis
☐	☐	Mumps	☐	☐	Other (specify) _____

Physician's Evaluation

Name of Applicant _____ Date _____ Program Applying For _____

TO THE PHYSICIAN

The above-named person has applied for service with Youth With A Mission. This program requires good health and endurance. Please fill out the portion below and make any additional comments.

Blood Pressure _____ Pulse _____

Are there any abnormalities of the following systems?

	Yes	No	Please describe
Ears, nose, throat	☐	☐	_____
Eyes	☐	☐	_____
Neurological	☐	☐	_____
Cardiovascular	☐	☐	_____
Respiratory	☐	☐	_____
Musculoskeletal	☐	☐	_____

Would he/she be able to walk 3-4 miles per day? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Comments _____

PHYSICIAN RECOMMENDATION ☐ Acceptable ☐ Not acceptable ☐ Should remain in areas with adequate medical care

☐ Acceptable with limitations (specify) _____

Physician's Signature _____ Date _____

Physician's Name (printed) _____

Full Address _____

TO THE APPLICANT

Please complete the requested information below. These vaccinations are not required for acceptance; however, it is often helpful to have this information for your outreach planning. Not all outreach locations will require vaccinations, but health agencies (Center for Disease Control, etc.) usually recommend these regardless of where you travel. Due to the varied outreach locations, other immunizations, injections, or Malaria medication may be recommended and can be obtained before outreach. Please be prepared financially to cover the cost of possible additional injections. If you have ever been vaccinated for Cholera, Typhoid, or Yellow Fever, please check the box below and bring that information with you.

I have been vaccinated for the following:

☐ Cholera ☐ Typhoid ☐ Yellow Fever

VACCINATION RECORDS

Childhood Record of Immunizations: Basic

Adult Immunizations: Boosters

	MM/DD/YY	MM/DD/YY	MM/DD/YY		MM/DD/YY	MM/DD/YY	MM/DD/YY
Tetanus							
Hepatitis A							
Hepatitis B							
Typhoid							
Polio							
Meningitis							

Release Form

Name: _____ Date: _____ School Applying To: _____



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Outreach Agreement

Because my purpose in joining Youth With A Mission is to take the gospel to the nations, I agree to submit to its leadership and policies to conduct myself in a way that brings honor to the Lord Jesus Christ. I understand that outreach destination and dates are subject to change, and that YWAM reserves the right to change or cancel outreaches in the event of a natural disaster, political crisis, and/or ministry-related difficulties. Should an outreach be cancelled, YWAM will work with me to reassign me to another outreach. YWAM is not liable in case of illness, accident, death, or unexpected travel expenses. In case of accidental death, Youth With A Mission, Tyler, Texas cannot cover the cost of burial in the country of service, nor the cost of shipping the body to another country for burial. Family members must incur all burial related expenses. Some nations, by law, require immediate entombment or cremation.

Because YWAM is registered with the Internal Revenue Service as a 501©3 non-profit organization, donations made for school fees are considered tuition and are NOT tax-deductible. However, donations made for mission's outreaches are tax-deductible and non-refundable. In order for supporters to receive a tax deduction, checks must be made payable to YWAM and NOT to a specific participant (applies only to outreach fees, not tuition fees e.g. SST, DTS, CDTS, SOE tuition). The participant's name MUST NOT appear anywhere on the check.

I understand that IRS regulation prohibit YWAM from refunding contributions it receives for outreaches. If I cannot go on my planned outreach, YWAM will subtract the cost of any previously purchased airline tickets and administrative fees and apply the balance to another YWAM outreach (for myself only) for up to one year. Donations are not transferrable and any funds received in excess of the amount needed for my outreach will be used for the ministry of Youth With A Mission Tyler, Texas. I understand that if I fail to abide by the agreement I will be asked to leave the field at my own expense. My signature below (and that of my parent or legal guardian if I am under 18) certifies my approval of this agreement and intention to comply with its contents.



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Photo/ Testimony Release

I, the above-mentioned applicant, being allowed to participate in any way in a YWAM Tyler training program, related events and activities, agree that my likeness may be photographed or videotaped and that such images may be published in an outlet used to promote the program. In addition, I agree that any testimonies regarding my experiences during the training program (excluding anything shared in confidence) may be used for the same purpose.



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Consent for Treatment

I/we hereby agree to the performance of such treatment, anesthetics, and operations as in the opinion of the attending physician is deemed necessary on the above-named person.



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Liability Release

I/we hereby release Youth With A Mission, Inc., its agents, employees, and volunteer assistants from any liability whatsoever arising out of any injury, damage, or loss, which may be sustained by said person during the course of involvement with Youth With A Mission, Inc. I/we agree to resolve any and all disputes with Youth With A Mission, YWAM Directors, or staff by means of reconciliation or mediation and waive any right to pursue action by way of litigation.



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Legal Consent for Minors

I hereby give my consent for _____ to travel outside of the United States of America with Youth With A Mission.

Signature

Applicant's Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature (for applicants under 18)

Date

Date

Relationship to applicant



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Confidential Reference

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TO THE APPLICANT

This evaluation is confidential and will not be shown to you. **Please do not use a family member as a reference.** Give this form to the person filing the reference along with a stamped envelope addressed to: **YWAM Tyler • Admissions Department • P.O. Box 3000 • Garden Valley, TX 75771.**

Name of Applicant _____ Phone () _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Country _____
Email _____ Gender _____ Age _____
Male/Female
Program applying for _____ Starting date _____ / _____ / _____
Day Spell Month Year

TO THE PERSON FILLING OUT THIS FORM

The above applicant has applied for participation in a program sponsored by Youth With A Mission in Tyler, Texas. YWAM, founded in 1960, is an international, interdenominational Christian missionary organization. Serious consideration will be given to your comments, so we greatly appreciate your careful and thoughtful completion of this form. All evaluations are kept in strict confidence and will not be shown to the applicant. Your early response (within 7 days) is most appreciated. Thank you for your assistance.

What is your relationship to the applicant? ☐ Employer ☐ Teacher ☐ Pastor ☐ Friend
☐ Past YWAM leader ☐ Other _____

How well do you know the applicant? ☐ Very well ☐ Well ☐ Casually

How long have you known the applicant? _____ years _____ months

Please check the following and comment as necessary

	SUPERIOR	ABOVE AVERAGE	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	INFERIOR
Ability to receive correction					
Self-confidence					
Ability to make decisions					
Social poise					
Concern for others					
Ability to follow					
Leadership					
Willingness to serve					
Emotional stability					
Communication skills					
Health					
Personal hygiene					

Comments _____

Mental ability	☐ Quick to comprehend	☐ Average	☐ Slow
Industry	☐ Hard worker	☐ Average	☐ Lacks persistence
Reliability	☐ Meets obligations	☐ Average	☐ Neglects obligations
Teamwork	☐ Works well with others	☐ Average	☐ Often causes friction
Flexibility	☐ Open to change	☐ Average	☐ Unyielding
Christian character	☐ Well-balanced	☐ Average	☐ Unstable
Disposition	☐ Cheerful	☐ Average	☐ Passive
Punctuality	☐ Punctual	☐ Average	☐ Often late
Financial responsibility	☐ Honors obligations	☐ Average	☐ Neglectful

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1. Which of the following would best describe the applicant's Christian experience?
☐ Mature ☐ Contagious ☐ Genuine and growing ☐ Over-emotional ☐ Superficial
Comments _____
2. With reference to his/her Christian service, is he/she ☐ Dedicated ☐ Average ☐ Casual
Comments _____
3. Does he/she display high moral standards? ☐ Yes ☐ No Explain _____

4. What do you feel are the applicant's motives in applying to this program?
☐ Christian service ☐ Desire to spread the gospel ☐ Receive help/ministry ☐ Adventure
☐ Desire to help others ☐ Escape an unpleasant home situation ☐ Travel
☐ Other (Specify) _____

5. Please comment on the applicant's family background. _____

6. What do you consider to be the applicant's strong points? (include special abilities) _____

7. Please add any other pertinent remarks (e.g. medical, psychological, drug or alcohol abuse, criminal record, eating disorders, homosexual, occultic practices, etc.) _____

8. What could YWAM do to aid in the applicant's personal development? _____

9. **(Pastors only)** Is your congregation/group standing behind the applicant with enthusiasm and prayer? _____

10. Would you recommend the applicant for acceptance to this YWAM program?
☐ Yes ☐ With some reservations (Explain) ☐ No (Explain) _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Name (please print) _____ Phone () _____

Address _____ State _____ Zip _____ Country _____

Email _____



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