

APPLICATION FOR NOMINATION AS YOUTH ADVISORY DELEGATE

TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

219th General Assembly, July 3-10, 2010, Minneapolis, MN

North Puget Sound Presbytery's Nominating Committee is asking sessions to consider submitting names to be considered for election as a Youth Advisory Delegate (YAD) to the 219th General Assembly, July 3-10, 2010, in Minneapolis, MN.

What does a YAD do? Youth Advisory Delegates may speak on the floor of General Assembly, serve on committees of the Assembly with full voice and vote, and vote in an advisory capacity on the floor of the Assembly. The YAD will be expected to relate his/her Assembly experience to the Presbytery, and to groups and churches within the Presbytery, schedule permitting.

Who can be a YAD? Any young person, age 17-23, who is a member of a Presbyterian Church (USA) within the bounds of North Puget Sound Presbytery may apply. It is expected that the YAD will attend the entire Assembly.

What does it cost? Costs, including travel, housing and meals are covered by General Assembly. Any "spending money" will be the responsibility of the YAD.

How does a YAD get selected?

We are inviting every pastor and Session to assist us in this process by inviting young person to complete this application form and return it by December 31, 2009 to:

Attn: Rev. Ann Lewis - YAD Nominating Committee
North Puget Sound Presbytery Office
1010 E. Casino Road
Everett, WA 98203

The Nominating Committee will interview prospective YADs in person or by phone during the last two weeks of January, 2009 so that a nominee may be presented to the February Presbytery Meeting.

What kind of youth make a good YAD?

The Office of the General Assembly has developed the following guidelines for nominating committees to use when selecting a youth advisory delegate nominee:

- The youth advisory delegate should be mature in both faith and character, since the demands of the General Assembly require responsible decision-making. (Reference checks will be made with a pastor or other local congregation leader to confirm this.)
- The potential youth advisory delegate should be active in their local congregation and presbytery or campus youth ministry.
- It is important that they be able to attend all of GA meeting (confirm coordination with school calendar before applying.)

It is hoped that these guidelines will assist pastors and sessions as they seek to recommend potential YADs to the Nominating Committee.

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Please type or print neatly

Name _____ Date of Birth ____ / ____ / ____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home phone _____ Cell phone _____

e-mail address _____

Home Church _____

(must be a confirmed member)

Confirmation Year _____

Current School Name (if applicable) _____

What year in high school or college? _____

Current (if applicable) or desired occupation _____

Have you confirmed your availability to attend the July 3-10, 2010 General Assembly, by checking school closure dates, camp dates, summer work dates, so that if you are elected, you will definitely be able to attend?

Barring emergencies, are there any known possible factors that might interfere with your participation?

Do you have current medical insurance? (yes/no) _____

Provider: _____

Insurance Number: _____

- The potential YAD should have medical insurance. Insurance bought through school systems often ends at the end of the school year.
- The potential YAD and their parents should be informed that the presbytery staff person in attendance at General Assembly will be called upon to deal with emergencies

Parent(s) Name(s) _____

_____ (parent signature) if under 18

Endorsements:

Pastor's signature

Date

Clerk of Session

(Indicating Session endorsement)

Date

2009 Youth Advisory Delegate Application Continued

Please answer the following questions on a separate paper, using as much space as needed to express yourself as clearly as possible.

- 1) What do you think the future holds for the Church?
- 2) What are the major issues that face the world today?
- 3) How should the Church respond to these issues?
- 4) Why do you want to be a Youth Advisory Delegate.
- 5) How have you served Christ in your church, community, and the world?

By signing this application, I commit myself, if elected, to being a full participant in the General Assembly, which I understand will include a hectic pace and long hours. I also pledge to participate in training prior to the 219th General Assembly, which, if necessary, can be by phone, and IF I AM AVAILABLE to report at the September 24, 2010 Presbytery meeting and actively contribute to the training of the Commissioners for the 220th General Assembly (2012).

Applicant

Date

NOTE: APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE PRESBYTERY OFFICE BY DECEMBER 31, 2009.