GREEN COUNTRY TEEN CHALLENGE APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

Your Application will be kept Confidential

CHEC	EKLIST: Make check marks as you of	complete each step.		
	Fill out Application Complet			
	Attach a Recent Photograph.	,		
	Complete and Notarize Coun	seling Release		
	Sign and Witness Student, Co		erapy Agreemen	ts
	Complete Required Blood W			
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	Total Monthly Tuition William C. Everitt Scholarship	\$2400.00		
		<u>- 200.00</u>		
	Balance (total you will owe monthly	() \$ 500.00		
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1.	Name (First, Middle, Last)			
	Other names or Aliases ever used_			
2.	Present Address	/Cit	y, State, Zip	
	Phone Cell I	Phone	Email	
3.	Social Security #	Drivers License #		State
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4.	Birthdate/Age_	Gender at birth_	Weight	Height
5.	Hair ColorEye Color	Birthmarks or other	· Distinguishing	Marks
6.	Race: White Black	Asian or Pacific Islan	der	
	Hispanic American	n maianOther		
7.	Are you an American Citizen? Yes	s Native Nat	turalizedN	0
	Explain			
	Visa for	Expir	ration Date	
8.	Previous Address	/Cit	y, State, Zip	

	o Teen Challenge	•	Phone	
10. Emergenc	y Contact:		elationship	
Address		/Ci	ty, State, Zip	
Home Pho	ne	Work Phone	Cell Phone	
11. Health Ins	urance Policy #	Company_		
Address			Phone	
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Cocaine						
Cocaine Hallucinogenic						
Cocaine Hallucinogenic Opium						
Cocaine Hallucinogenic Opium Glue/Inhalants (huffing)						
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1. Spouse or fo	ormer Spou	se's full	name			
Address			City	State	Zip	
2. Please give d	late Marrie	d		_ Remarried		
3. How many	times have y	you been	married?			
4. If Separated	dor Di	ivorced_	please give d	late		
Reason for I	break up					
What is rela	ationship lik	ke now?				
5. Do you have	e a Boyfrien	nd?	Girlfriend?	Fiancée?		
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. Do you have any	v denendení	ts? Yes	No.			
6. Do you have any	Birth		Other	Child		•
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When did you	last live at ho	me?	
Are you adopt	ted? Yes	No	
If you were ra	ised by anyon	e other than	your own parents, briefly explain:
. Are your pare	nts Christians	s? Father?	Yes No How Long?
		Mother?	Yes No How Long?
. Parents Marit	al Status		
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12.	. Have you been abused as	an adult? H	low?		
		I	By Whom?		
13.	. Do you think that you ha	ve the potential for	abusing o	thers? Yes	No
	Why?				
14.	. To your knowledge, has a	anyone in your fam	ily commi	tted incest? Y	/es No
	Who?	When			
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	LTH HISTORY	7 7			.
1.	Rate you General Health	: Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
2.	Do you have any commun	nicable diseases? _	Wh	nat?	
3.	Do you have any medical	problems?W	/hat?		
4.	Are you presently receivi	ing medical care? _	Whe	re?	
	Are you presently taking			• ,	
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0.	Have you been hospitaliz				
	If Yes, explain				

9.	Any Physical Ailments or Handicaps? (bad back, Epilepsy, Etc.) Yes No_
	Would these inhibit normal manual labor? Yes No
	If yes, explain
10.	Do you have any difficulties hearing? Yes No If yes, Explain
11.	Date of your last Eye Exam Results: Excellent Good
	Fair Poor Eye Glasses/Contacts prescribed
	Explain present eye problems
12.	Are you wearing Prescription Glasses or Contacts now? Yes No
13.	Date of your last Dental Exam Results
	Current dental problems
14.	List any Allergies
15.	List drugs you are allergic or sensitive to
16.	Any other past or present illness (es) not listed:
17.	Do you have Epilepsy? Yes No Type
18.	Have you ever had a blood transfusion? YesNo
NT	AL HEALTH HISTORY

3.	Do you have to	rouble sleepin	g? YesNo	
4.	Have you ever	had a severe	emotional upset? YesN	No Explain:
5.	·		tendencies? Yes No	-
	-	_	osychiatric care? Yes No)
7.	Have you ever	had psychoth	nerapy? Yes No	
8.	Have you rece	ived counselir	ng for an emotional disorder?	Yes No
9.	Have you ever	been hospital	lized for an emotional disorde	er? Yes No
YOU	ANSWERED	YES TO QUE	ESTIONS 6 THROUGH 9 FII	LL IN INFO BELOW
Date	For What	Where	Doctor's Name Address, Phone	Response: Excellent Good,Fair,Poor,Not
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. Are	you on probatio	n? Yes	No	_		
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SPIRITUAL

1.	Do you believe in God? Yes No Uncertain
2.	Have you ever committed your life to God? Yes No
	DatePlace
3.	What were the circumstances that led to this?
4.	How many times have you backslidden?
5.	How often do you attend church? Never Sometimes Regularly
	Denominational preference
6.	Are you a member of any church or religion? YesNo
	Which one?
7.	Have there been any recent changes in your religious life? Yes No
	If yes, explain:
8.	Did you attend church as a child? Yes No
	What Denomination?How often
9.	How old were you when you stopped attending church?
	Why did you stop attending?
10.	. How often do you pray? Never Occasionally Often
11.	. Are you saved? Yes No Not sure what you mean
12.	How often do you read the Bible? Never Occasionally Often
13.	Do you read books of other religions instead of the Bible?
	Never Occasionally Often
	Please list

Astrology	ESP	Tarot Card Reading
Numerology	Magic	Crystal Ball Gazing
Horoscopes	Mediums	Cult/Occult Practices
Palmistry	Voodoo	Fortune Telling
Levitation	Table Tipping	Handwriting Analysis
Witchcraft	Séances	Dungeons & Dragons
Theosophy	Ouija Boards	Out-of-body travel
Necromancy	Idol Worship	Hypnotism
Metaphysics	Spiritualism	Other
If other, explain:		
16. Have you been involved in any of (Indicate yes or no on each)	the following?	
(Indicate yes of no on each)		
Jehovah's Witnesses	Holistic Health	Unity
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Li	vestock - General Mechanical - Auto Mechanics - Sewing - Auto Body Work
Pr	inting - Masonry - Nursing - Child Care - Teaching - Computer
Ot	her (Please Specify)
<u>EMPL</u>	OYMENT HISTORY
1.	Name of last Employer
	AddressPhone
2.	Reason for Leaving
3.	Other Jobs held in the last Year
4.	Reason for Leaving
	What is the main problem, as you see it? (Why are you here?)
2.	What have you done about it?
3.	What are your greatest needs, in order or priority?
4.	Have you ever been in a Teen Challenge program before? YesNo Can't Remember
	If was Whan? Whara?

If yes, how Man	y \	Vere they Religious or N	Non-Religious
Program Name	Date	City/State	Reason for Leaving
Why do you wis	h to be admit	ted to this Teen Challen	ge program?
			r life through this program?
What are you ex	pecting (belie	eving) God to do in you	r life through this program?
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SEXUAL LIFE	
1. HeterosexualHomosexual	BisexualTranssexual
2. How recently involved?	
3. Have you ever engaged in homosexual	activities? Yes No
4. How recently?	
5. Have you ever been involved with port	
If yes, to what degree?	
OPELONAL	
<u>OPTIONAL</u>	
I authorize Teen Challenge to use my photogr	aph and name in promotional materials.
Signature	Date
Witness	
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PHOTOGRAPH	
Attach a recent photograph of	
yourself here.	
Reminder: Without this your application will <u>not</u> be considered.	
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STATEMENT BY PERSON SEEKING COUNSELING

1.	I,	, state that I am seeking				
	counseling at Teen Cha	enge of Oklahoma.				
2.	2. I understand that the advisors, staff and volunteers of Teen Challenge are not professional counselors and are not licensed or certified by any State. These people are committee Christians who will share their honest opinions, advice, and counsel based on principles of the Bible.					
3.	3. I understand that I may seek help from a state-certified or licensed psychologist, psychiatrist, or other mental health professional at any time, on my own. Teen Challenge shall have no duty to refer me to such licensed professionals, and shall have no financial or other responsibility for such services.					
4.	confidentiality of all my confidential communication including my family me duty to notify or inform	Challenge of Oklahoma has a policy of maintaining the private communications between my advisor and me. Generally, such tions will not be disclosed to third-persons outside Teen Challenge nbers, unless required by law. This means that Teen Challenge has no my family members about any problems discussed in counseling. If my ge does make such disclosures as they believe are in my best interest, I ach disclosures.				
5.	not take any legal action Challenge, their agents Challenge, their agents	opportunity to obtain this counseling, I promise that I will in the future for anything said, done or omitted by my advisor, Teen or family members, during this counseling program. I agree to hold Tee and family members, harmless for any legal claims of negligence or h a person could assert related to the Teen Challenge counseling	n			
6.		years old, and am able to give my consent to this counseling essions after the date below.				
This 1	Form Must Be Signed an	Notarized Before your Application can be Processed!				
Signat	ture	Date				
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Count	ty of	State of				

PROGRAM RULES AGREEMENT

This Student Agreement must accompany your application. If it does not or it is not signed and witnessed, your application Will Not be processed.

- 1. I have read the rules and promise to abide by all of them, whether I agree with them or not.
- 2. I will dedicate the next 13 months (minimum) to completing the Teen Challenge program.
- 3. I release to Teen Challenge the right to search, read and withhold my mail in the manner explained in the rules.
- 4. I release to Teen Challenge the right to do a room search without warning. (Note: This is not done routinely, but only at times of definite cause.)
- 5. I release the right to Teen Challenge to make a thorough search of my person and belongings on the day of my admission and at any time during my stay at Teen Challenge.
- 6. I understand that withdrawal from drugs, alcohol, and cigarettes will be done "cold turkey" aided only by prayer. (If this is not agreeable, withdrawal must be done prior to entrance.)
- 7. I understand that Teen Challenge will not be held responsible for any of my personal property left, lost or stolen while I am in the Teen Challenge program. When leaving Teen Challenge, I understand that all my personal property must be taken with me. I acknowledge that if any personal property is left behind, I am responsible to pick it up within 24-hours and I give Teen Challenge permission to donate any items after that 24-hour period ends. NO ITEMS WILL BE STORED OR MAILED AT A LATER TIME.
- 8. I release Teen Challenge from all financial or legal responsibilities in case of accident, injury, illness or other misfortune.
- 9. I understand that I will not receive payment for the work I do while in the Teen Challenge program. I also understand that the purpose of this work is to aid in my character development.
- 10. I release the right to Teen Challenge to withhold any of my belongings that they deem necessary.
- 11. I agree to submit to the authority of all staff members.
- 12. I acknowledge that everything I have stated in this application is accurate to the best of my knowledge, and I understand that any dishonest answers may result in termination from the program.

Signature	Date
Witness	Date

TEEN CHALLENGE OF OKLAHOMA CHRISTIAN CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION AGREEMENT

In consideration of the following terms and provisions, and other valuable consideration the receipt of which I acknowledge, the undersigned parties hereby agree as follows:

They accept the Bible as the inspired word of God. They believe that God desires that they resolved their dispute with one another within the Church and that they be reconciled in their relationships in accordance with the principles stated in 1 Corinthians 6:1-8, Matthew 5:23-24, and Matthew 18:15-20.

Accordingly, the undersigned parties hereby agree that, if any dispute or controversy arises between them and is not resolved in private meetings between the parties pursuant to Matthew 5:23-24 and 18:15, then the dispute or controversy will be settled by biblically based mediation and, if necessary, legally binding arbitration, in accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Christian Conciliation (Rules) of the Institute for Christian Conciliation, a division of Peacemaker Ministries (rules available at www.HisPeace.org). The undersigned parties agree that these methods shall be the sole remedy for any dispute or controversy between them and, to the full extent permitted by applicable law, expressly waive their right to file a lawsuit in any civil court against one another for such disputes, except to enforce arbitration decision, or to enforce this dispute resolution agreement. Any mediated settlement agreement, or arbitrated decision hereunder shall be final and binding, and fully enforceable according to its terms in any court of competent jurisdiction.

Signature		Date
Spouse Signature		 Date
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Witness:	_	
Address	-	
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WORK THERAPY/VOCATIONS/LIFE SKILLS PROGRAM

The world-wide mission of Teen Challenge is to evangelize people who have life-controlling problems and initiate the discipleship process to the point where the student can function as a Christian in society applying spiritually motivated Biblical principles to relationships in the family, the local church, chosen vocation, and the community; and to help people become mentally sound, emotionally balanced, socially adjusted, physically well, and spiritually alive.

At Teen Challenge of Oklahoma, one significant means of fulfilling that mission is our Work Therapy/Vocations/Life Skills Program, which is a series of short-term, supervised work assignments that students perform during their recovery time at the Center. During the course of this Program, Teen Challenge staff members interact with students in the process of reforming and maturing their character, overcoming sinful addictive patterns of behavior, and adopting a productive livelihood. The principal benefits derived by students are not compensation and in-kind benefits, but (1) awareness of sin and the need for regeneration, repentance, forgiveness, recovery, (2) freedom from reliance on controlled substances, (3) learning the value of and respect for authority, (4) developing habit patterns of regular schedule, work responsibility, and performance accountability that all are foundational to being a productive and responsible citizen. Although the work assignments may provide Teen Challenge of Oklahoma with some offsetting revenue, any contributions or other funds received from beneficiaries of the work assignments are used exclusively to help cover the cost of staffing and operating the WORK THERAPY/VOCATIONS/LIFE SKILLS PROGRAM and delivering other rehabilitating services to students.

Biblical Basis for WORK THERAPY/VOCATIONS/LIFE SKILLS PROGRAM

Teen Challenge of Oklahoma's WORK THERAPY/VOCATIONS/LIFE SKILLS PROGRAM derives its inspiration from our belief in the Holy Scriptures, which views work as one of the central purposes for human existence. In the beginning, God worked, and placed man, who was created in His image, on the earth to "fill the earth and subdue it" (Genesis 1:28). Work was a principal means of reflecting God's image even before the fall by applying labor, skill, and creativity to make productive and fruitful the latent resources of the earth. After the fall, work did not become bad, only more challenging and difficult (Genesis 3:17-19). God designed work to be redemptive, allowing us to enter the joy of colaboring with Him (1 Thessalonians 3:2). Work is the dominant enterprise of healthiest people in sound societies. Through the illumination and renewing of the mind by the Scriptures and the Holy Spirit, communion with God, the encouragement of fellow Christians, and God's grace, one may capture a vision of work as the blessing that God originally intended for man.

The Bible is filled with exhortations and illustrations concerning work.

[1] Diligent, hard work is associated with prosperity (Proverbs 10:4; 14:23), serving people in high rank (Proverbs 22:29), satisfaction in life, (Ecclesiastes 2:24) and reaping eternal rewards (Colossians 3:23-24).

The apostle Paul writes in his letters of the example he and others set working with their own hands to provide for themselves and those who labored with them (I Corinthians 4:12). He encourages his readers to not be dependent on anyone, but, if possible, to work with their hands to provide for their

own needs (Titus 3:14). Above all, Paul exhorts his readers to do everything as though God was the supervisor (Colossians 3:23).

Hard work is the fruit of a repentant lifestyle (Ephesians 4:28) and wins the respect of the local community (I Thessalonians 4:11-12). Where one has led a less than wholesome lifestyle involving anti-social behavior, there is further moral imperative to "make up for" the wrongs done by providing for oneself, and to have enough to give to those in need, through hard work (Ephesians 4:28).

One of the primary objectives of the Teen Challenge program is to encourage students to live in repentance from a self-destructive lifestyle. Participating in work assignments, therefore, is one means by which students may practice and develop the godly habit of a repentant lifestyle prior to their return to society.

In contrast, laziness is associated with poverty (Proverbs 10:4), destructiveness, (Proverbs 18:9), and sinfulness (2 Thessalonians 3:6-8). One is considered worse than an unbeliever if he does not work hard and provide for his dependents. (1 Timothy 3:1, 4, 5; 5:8) Christians must avoid fellowship with "one who is idle." (2 Thessalonians 3:6) If an individual "does not work, he shouldn't eat." (2 Thessalonians 3:10)

Practical Application and Experience

The experience of Teen Challenge confirms these Biblical pronouncements, as we have found that work assignments often help surface unbiblical attitudes towards work, authority, and God, and occasionally, racism, dishonesty, and disorganization, and reveal (at least in part) why students may have misused alcohol and/or other substances to cope with their failures. In exposing and addressing sinful attitudes, work assignments also provide Teen Challenge staff the opportunity to teach students the benefits and blessings of mature Christian character, in making the best of the same circumstances and honoring God in the process.

Work assignments also prepare students to live a productive life after they complete the Teen Challenge program. Students learn specific principles regarding a healthy work ethic such as:

- 1. Punctuality
- 2. Cheerfulness and willingness regarding work
- 3. Submission to authority
- 4. Collegiality and collaboration with fellow co-workers
- 5. Completing tasks and experiencing the satisfaction of work well done
- 6. Dealing with and overcoming failure
- 7. Taking initiative and seeking greater responsibility
- 8. Understanding the correlation between job production and future wages

9. Desiring greater knowledge and skills within one's line of work/vocation

Accomplishing Our Mission

In summary, the WORK THERAPY/VOCATIONS/LIFE SKILLS PROGRAM permits Teen Challenge staff members to discern and disciple the character and behavior of our students. The Program also trains and equips our students to apply first-hand the lessons they are learning from staff members, as they seek to undertake a new drug-free, mentally sound, emotionally balanced, socially adjusted, physically well, and spiritually alive lifestyle upon their graduation from Teen Challenge of Oklahoma.

Scriptures On Work

Proverbs 10:4 Lazy hands make a man poor, but diligent hands bring wealth.

Proverbs 18:19 One who is slack in his work, is brother to one who destroys.

Proverbs 14:23 All hard work brings a profit, but mere talk leads only to poverty.

Proverbs 22:29 Do you see a man skilled in his work? He will serve before kings; he will not serve before obscure men.

Proverbs 24:30 I went past the field of the sluggard, past the vineyard of the man who lacks judgment; 31 thorns had come up everywhere, the ground was covered with weeds, and the stone wall was in ruins. 32 I applied my heart to what I observed and learned a lesson from what I saw: 33 A little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to rest--34 and poverty will come on you like a bandit and scarcity like an armed man.

Ecclesiastes 2:24 A man can do nothing better than to eat and drink and find satisfaction in his work. This too, I see, is from the hand of God,

I Corinthians 4:12 We work hard with our own hands. When we are cursed, we bless; when we are persecuted, we endure it; 13 when we are slandered, we answer kindly. Up to this moment we have become the scum of the earth, the refuse of the world.

II Corinthians 6:4 Rather, as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: in great endurance; in troubles, hardships and distresses; 5 in beatings, imprisonments and riots; in hard work, sleepless nights and hunger; 6 in purity, understanding, patience and kindness; in the Holy Spirit and in sincere love; 7 in truthful speech and in the power of God; with weapons of righteousness in the right hand and in the left; 8 through glory and dishonor, bad report and good report; genuine, yet regarded as impostors; 9 known, yet regarded as unknown; dying, and yet we live on; beaten, and yet not killed; 10 sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; poor, yet making many rich; having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

Ephesians 4:28 He who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with his own hands, that he may have something to share with those in need.

Colossians 3:23 Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, 24 since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.

1Thessalonians 4:11 Make it your ambition to lead a quiet life, to mind your own business and to work with your hands, just as we told you, 12 so that your daily life may win the respect of outsiders and so that you will not be dependent on anybody.

2Thessalonians 3:6 In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, we command you, brothers, to keep away from every brother who is idle and does not live according to the teaching you received from us. 7

For you yourselves know how you ought to follow our example. We were not idle when we were with you, 8 nor did we eat anyone's food without paying for it. On the contrary, we worked night and day, laboring and toiling so that we would not be a burden to any of you. 9 We did this, not because we do not have the right to such help, but in order to make ourselves a model for you to follow. 10 For even when we were with you, we gave you this rule: "If a man will not work, he shall not eat."

Titus 3:14 Our people must learn to devote themselves to doing what is good, in order that they may provide for daily necessities and not live unproductive lives.

Statement of Newly Admitted Student Regarding Work Assignments

I acknowledge that I have read the Teen Challenge of Oklahoma statement regarding the necessity of work assignments as part of my overall recovery program at [TC Center] and fully agree with Teen Challenge of Oklahoma's statement regarding the importance of my work assignments in helping to build in me the Biblical values of a good work ethic and the character of a responsible, upright individual. I understand that I will be performing my work assignments not as an employee of Teen Challenge of Oklahoma, but solely for my benefit, to further my spiritual growth and maturity, character development, recovery from controlled substances, and readiness to go back into the work place. I do not expect any compensation or in-kind benefits, for the performance of any work assignment. My performance of a work assignment is not a condition of my receipt of room and board from Teen Challenge of Oklahoma. If I fail to perform my work assignments, Teen Challenge of Oklahoma may revoke my status and privileges as a student, not because the performance of work assignments is consideration for my receipt of such status and privileges, but because my participation in the Work Therapy/Vocations/Life Skills Program is vital to my recovery and my overall participation in the Teen Challenge of Oklahoma student program.

As evidence of my understanding regarding the purpose of the work assignments, I agree that:

- (1) I will not execute any agreement with the entity that will be providing immediate supervision over my work assignment;
- (2) I will not to file any claim or take any action individually or with others for recovery of wages in conjunction with my work assignment;
- (3) I am not applying for a position for employment, and if admitted, I understand I will not be receiving any compensation or in—kind benefits in exchange for the performance of any work assignments.

Signature of Applicant
Name:(print)
Date:
Signature of Witness
Witness: (print)
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