

HAPPENING COMMUNITY COVENANT:

As a Happening Team Member, I understand it is my job to create an environment that points others to Christ. I commit to representing and honoring Christ in my conversations, actions, thoughts, attitudes.

To help create a Christian team environment, I commit to the following standards of behavior:

- I will refrain from smoking, the use of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol, and inappropriate sexual behavior.
- I will respect all property and facilities.
- I will attend all scheduled activities throughout the weekend.
- I will not ride in or operate any motor vehicle for the duration of Happening events without specific permission from the Lay Director.
- I will not use any electronic devices, including cell phones, laptops and mp3 players during scheduled activities.
- I will respect the leaders and what they ask me to do.

I commit to fulfilling the expectations of a team member:

- I will “continue in the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers” by regular participation in my local congregation.
- I understand the first team training is mandatory, and I will attend.
- I will attend the second team meeting, and will talk to the Lay Director about exemptions if needed.
- I will write Caritas to candidates and team.

Applicant’s Signature

NOTE TO PARENTS:

A parent or guardian of the applicant must sign this form acknowledging their child’s responsibility toward the Happening team, which include the following:

- (1) Every team member is responsible for attending ALL team meetings. Absence from any meeting will result in dismissal from team. Individuals are responsible for their own transportation.
- (2) Every team member must help clean up after the closing Eucharist on Sunday. Team members have no further responsibilities after clean up. Any other activities, such as dinner, are not part of the weekend, nor the responsibility of the Happening. **You will be home late on Sunday.**
- (3) Team members are responsible for their own belongings on the weekend.

Signing on the reverse means you have read and understand your child’s commitment to Happening Team.

HAPPENING

Atlanta

TEAM

More than just a retreat, Happening is a powerful encounter in which young people minister to young people, bringing Jesus joyfully alive in an enthusiastic community of disciples.

2011-2012 Happening Dates:

Happening #56—Nov. 18-20
Team Application Deadline: Sep 17
Team Training: Oct 28-29th, 6pm-1pm

Happening #57—Feb 24-26
Team Application Deadline: Jan 1
Team Training: Feb. 3-4, 6pm-1pm



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Questions?

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Happening Team

Happening is a renewal weekend sponsored by the Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta, using the gifts of young people and adults from many parishes and missions. It is guided by the Happening Steering Committee (H.S.C.), and is led by a Lay Director and a Spiritual Director. The weekend is led by teenagers for teenagers. The *Team*, which facilitates the weekend experience, consists of young people and adults who are actively involved in their local Episcopal congregations.

How to Register

All registration for Happening is now online. You can register at one of two websites:

The Happening Website at
www.happeningatl.org

OR

The Diocesan Youth Website at
www.episcopalatlantayouth.org

At either site, click on Registration. There will be a link to "**Team Registration**"

You will need:

1. Health Insurance Info
2. Your Priest/Youth Leader's name & email
3. To sign and send in the permission form on this brochure.
4. To think about the answers to the following questions:

How has your spiritual journey led you to apply for team? What will you contribute to candidates to make this a spirit-filled weekend? Do you feel called to serve on a particular part of team? Do you feel called to give a talk or be in a skit?

If you have any questions or problems with registration, please email the Happening Lay Director, Sally Ulrey at
stmattsyouth@bellsouth.net

What is Happening Team?

The Happening Team facilitates the weekend experience and accomplishes Happening's purpose *to present the Gospel of Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior to youth in an environment expressed in the traditions of the Episcopal Church which fosters and nourishes growth in Jesus Christ.*

Expectations of Team Members

Applicants to Happening Team must be committed to accomplishing this purpose at Happening first and foremost. To that end, Team Members will uphold the Community Covenant, and will represent Christ at all times and in all places, including online communities like facebook.

Team members are also expected to attend Team Meetings:

- (1) Overnight Team Training, approx. 3 weeks before Happening, Fri @ ~6:00pm to Sat @ ~1:00pm
- (2) Thursday before Happening at 8:00 pm at Camp Mikell. If given permission to come later, MUST arrive by 3:30 on Friday for Team Eucharist.

Requirements to Work Team

Team members:

- (1) Regular participation in local congregation & recommendation from priest/youth leader
- (2) Must apply online **by the deadline**
- (3) Must attend the first Mandatory Team Training **in its entirety.**
- (4) Must **obtain permission** from the Lay Director if it is necessary because of school to miss the second Team Meeting.
- (5) Must stay the **entire weekend** through clean up.

Important Note

Applying for team does NOT guarantee you a place on team. While we can't accept every team applicant, we do prayerfully consider each application received by the deadline.

Cost

The cost for the weekend is \$100. Please bring a check made out to the Diocese of Atlanta with you to the first Mandatory Team Meeting.

Happening Team Member's Name: _____

PERMISSION, MEDICAL, LIABILITY & MEDIA RELEASE:

As parent (or guardian) of the above named child, I give my permission for my child to attend Happening Team, and I have read and understand what that responsibility entails.

As parent (or guardian) of the above named child, I attest that he/she is in good health and has no physical, mental, or emotional reason that would prohibit him/her from participating in Happening at Camp Mikell. I understand that every precaution has been taken to assure the good health and safety of each participant. Therefore, I waive any liability of the Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta or staff representing it for personal injury or death while attending Happening. I give my permission to the Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta and its staff, including the Lay Director or nurse to hospitalize, secure proper treatment for, and to order injection, anesthesia or surgery for my child as named above, and to have my child medically treated by a licensed physician, nurse, or hospital staff during the time period described. I also understand that the Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta does not provide medical insurance for expenses of these treatments. Therefore, all expenses would be the responsibility of the family of the child requiring treatment.

I hereby give my consent to all photographs, audio recordings, academic work, and/or video recordings taken of me or my minor child by The Diocese of Atlanta or their designee. I understand that any such photographs, audio recordings, academic work, and/or video recordings become the property of The Diocese of Atlanta and may be used by the parish, diocese, or others with their consent, for educational, instructional, or promotional purposes determined by the Diocesan Youth Coordinator and/or other leaders of Diocesan Youth Programs in broadcast and media formats now existing or created in the future, including print and audiovisual presentations

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Registration is not complete without this form. Please sign and send in to :

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