

Y.O.U. SERVICE RALLY: March 7-8, 2015

At Unity San Diego in San Diego, CA

For Unity Congregants in grades 9th – 12th

“The Ripple Effect”

Registration Check List for Parents & Sponsors

Parents/Sponsors:

- Complete and return to your Youth Director by (date)_____:
 - ◇ Church Authorization and Liability Form (2 pages)
 - ◇ SW Region Y.O.U. Group Agreements (or Adult Agreements for Sponsors if not on file as of Aug 2014)
 - ◇ Medical release form (if not on file as of Aug. 2014, or if update needed).
 - ◇ Scholarship application, if needed. *No more than \$15 will be awarded.*
Go to www.swunityyouth.org for application.
- Please inform your Youth Director/Minister if you will be paying with credit card (\$2 processing fee applies for each registration).
 - If paying by credit card and scholarship was received, please email Stacy at stacyunityteens@gmail.com. Otherwise, you can pay on our website at:
- If paying by check, please turn your registration fee (\$40) into your Youth Director/Minister by:
 - ◇ Date:_____
 - ◇ Registration fee (minus fundraising and/or scholarship) due: _____
- Once your church has turned in all completed paperwork, you will be given an online registration link from your Youth Director/Minister.

Complete registration online by February 25th: It is very important that each participant is registered online by this date. Retreat information will be sent to those entered in the online registration system via email. Please be sure that you enter a correct email address. All retreat printed materials reflect how the information is typed into the online registration form. After February 25th, dietary requests cannot be guaranteed, inclusion on the roster is not guaranteed, nor is assignment to a family group or cabin upon arrival, if online registration is not completed. Thank you for your attention to this matter!

Note: payment is expected for anyone registered on the group summary &/or online as of Feb 25th– host organizations and supplies purchased are based on this number. Any cancellations after Feb. 25th will be able to apply \$10 to another regional event in 2015.

****FYI:** New regional youth & family ministry website: www.swunityyouth.org. Find all forms, calendars and more on this site throughout the year!

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CHURCH AUTHORIZATION FORM

Name of Participant: _____

Name of Unity Church Attending: _____

Emergency Contact Name, relationship to participant: _____

Emergency Contact Phone Number: _____

Parent/Guardian Email: _____

Y.O.U.: Who will be your on-site Adult Leader? _____

PARENT AGREEMENTS: Required for all Y.O.U.'ers (including if 18):

My child:

- 1) Is actively involved in a Unity Church in the SW Region.
- 2) Independently follows directions and engages in group activities.
- 3) Demonstrates the ability to follow group agreements.
- 4) Is dedicated to their spiritual growth and learning, and respectful of others to do the same.
- 5) Will arrive on time (Saturday, Mar 7th, between 9:45 – 10:15 am) and will stay throughout the scheduled event (Sunday, Mar 8th, until 10:30 am). I understand that I am responsible for my child's transportation to/from the event.

**** I understand that my child must be able to transition easily between activities, contribute to discussions, participate in group activities, and be independent in care, as the SW Region staff does not have 1:1 staff or special needs training available. If teen is taking medication that interferes with participation in scheduled activities, or has recently had significant life events, I understand that this retreat may not be a good match at this time, and I will discuss this issue with my youth director and Regional Consultant before moving forward with registration.**

Signature of Parent

Date

CHURCH AUTHORIZATION: Required for ALL participants:

I certify that this participant:

1) Is actively involved in our teen ministry. *Recommended attendance is 5 classes between **Dec. 21 – Feb. 15**. Please list # of classes they have attended during this time. If less than 5, please give reasons why you feel this participant should attend:* _____

2) Demonstrates an understanding of, and complete adherence to, all event agreements & regional policies.

3) Is approved and recommended by this ministry to attend this event as a youth participant or adult sponsor. This ministry agrees to work with Teen Consultant if any follow-up is needed regarding behavior(s), agreements, and/or issues that arise at this event.

Signature of Minister/Spiritual Leader/Youth Director

Date

***About Payment & Cancellations:** payment is expected for anyone registered by Feb 25th. Any no-shows or cancellations after this date may apply \$10 to a future 2015 regional event.

I have read and understand the payment & cancellation policy: _____ (Initial of participant or parent if under 18)

LIABILITY AND OTHER RELEASES
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LIABILITY RELEASE: As the named participant, below, (or legal guardian if participant is under age 18), I confirm that I am participating in this event of my own free will and have the appropriate permission to participate in and travel to/from this Youth Ministry activity. I knowingly and voluntarily assume all risks and dangers inherent and incidental to this event. I confirm that a separate Medical/Liability Release ('Release') is being submitted as part of the registration documents for this event, that the information on the Release is current and, should you accept me (my child) as a participant, that **I agree to all terms outlined in that Release document**, including indemnifying and holding harmless the group leaders, or any other representative of the Church, or the Church itself, or the Southwest Region of the Association of Unity Churches from all liability arising from participation in or attendance at this function. I understand and agree to the eligibility, cancellation and refund terms outlined in the registration materials. **I also agree to uphold all applicable Group Event Agreements or Adult Guidelines (adults), and to arrange/pay for immediate transportation home due to inappropriate or risky behavior or other situations.**

I understand, and give authorization to participate in, optional activities that may risk injury (service project related, etc.), holding Unity and group leaders harmless and waiving any claim to our insurance coverage if injured.

PHOTOGRAPHY/ROSTER RELEASE: I hereby grant to the Southwest Unity Region and its representatives permission to use photographs and videotaped images from this event in which the above minor (or myself, if over age 18) appears in any manner whatsoever such as, but not limited to: publication, display, advertising, social media, presentations, etc. I also consent to publication of personal contact information on the roster of participants.

Financial Guarantee: I guarantee prompt payment of registration fees, and for any fees or expenses incurred on my (my child's) behalf which may not be covered by registration fees (lost or broken items, etc.).

Print Participant's Name (please print)

X _____

Participant's Signature *(all participants must sign!)* **Date**

X _____

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian **Date**

Print Name of Parent/Legal Guardian

Southwest Y.O.U. Group Agreements 2014-2015



By choosing to attend this SW Y.O.U. event, I agree to do my part to help create a fulfilling spiritual experience for all. I understand my choices not only affect my own experience, but others' in the group as well. My commitment is to support an environment that creates opportunities for spiritual self-discovery, and maintains physical & emotional safety for all.

I understand that certain behaviors which may be appropriate elsewhere are not appropriate during this event. In addition to SW Region policies and applicable laws, I willingly agree to:

1. Respect all present, and take reasonable care of the facility and myself.
2. Look for the highest good in all people and situations, and find ways I can both give and receive to make this event a unique and meaningful experience. I will show loving support and gratitude for all facilitators, speakers, and staff. I will not be part of character assassinations, pranks, put-downs or judgments of others or myself. Nor will I offend or degrade others with my language, jokes or music.
3. Be open to, and fully present for, the experience. I will attend required activities on time, give my focus during activities, and stay in designated areas, unless authorized for special leave by Event Staff. I understand that, unless I have secured prior Event Coordinator approval otherwise, I am committing to arrive by the designated time for check-in for this event, and to stay through the posted closing time. From my arrival until closing of the event, I will not operate, or ride in, a vehicle except with Event Coordinator approval.
4. If I have difficulty focusing during any activity, I agree not to disrupt the experience of others, and can quietly seek a sponsor for personal attention.
5. Restrict use of cell phones, Ipods/MP3 players and other personal electronic equipment to personal time (*unless otherwise authorized by a sponsor due to an emergency*). Electronic games and multimedia devices are not to be used during the event, but may be approved by sponsor for use during travel.
6. Create a safe space for authentic sharing and reflection about one's experiences on their unfolding spiritual path, while eliminating pressure to participate in illegal activities. I will not use this event or my SW Y.O.U. connections to promote, encourage, facilitate, conceal or arrange participation in illegal activities – including but not limited to use or possession of alcohol, tobacco, illegal drugs or other restricted substances. If I may have difficulty abstaining from restricted activities or substances, I understand it is my responsibility to discuss support needs with my chapter sponsor and Event Staff.
7. Maintain a positive, spiritual intention in all of my personal relationships. I will not engage in sexual activity, unwanted physical contact, or public displays of affection which cause others present to feel uncomfortable. If I am in a relationship with another YOU'er, I agree to put our relationship "on hold" during this weekend. I will engage in friendships only while at this event.

I understand that these agreements are necessary for the group's highest experience, and agree I have a responsibility for protecting the highest interests of sponsors and our churches. I understand my willingness and ability to uphold these agreements are required to participate in YOU activities. If I choose not to uphold them during an event, I understand my participation at this/future YOU activities will be restricted, any event-related fees forfeited, and I can be sent home early at parent expense.

Y.O.U.'er: x

(Rev. 9/2014)

Agreements start once you begin travel with your group, and end after you have returned home or been picked up by parent/guardian.