



# Happening #58 Participant Application

November 6-8, 2009

St. Paul Episcopal Church, Kingsport, TN

To be returned NO LATER THAN October 16, 2009

NAME		NICKNAME	GENDER
ADDRESS		CITY	STATE ZIP
PHONE	EMAIL	YEAR IN SCHOOL	
DATE OF BIRTH	HOME PARISH	DENOMINATION (if other than Episcopal)	
NAME(S) OF PARENT(S)/GUARDIAN(S)			T-SHIRT SIZE

**Signature of priest or minister (required)**

I am aware of and fully support this young person's participation in the Happening program in the Diocese of East TN.

NAME(print)	SIGNATURE	DATE
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Alternate Parent/Guardian Address :

NAME		
ADDRESS		
CITY	STATE	ZIP
PHONE		

In case of emergency, please contact:

NAME		
RELATIONSHIP		
ADDRESS		
CITY	STATE	ZIP
PHONE		

Please list any dietary or medical concerns below (include if vegetarian):

Medical Insurance Information (please attach a photocopy of FRONT AND BACK of insurance card)

NAME OF INSURED
CARRIER
POLICY NUMBER

## COMMUNITY COVENANT

### To be signed by ALL participants

It is not acceptable for participants of diocesan youth events, at ANY time, to:

- drink, possess, or be under the influence of alcoholic beverages;
- possess or be under the influence of illegal drugs;
- smoke, use, or possess tobacco;
- show disrespect (including use of coarse language or jokes that may offend) to fellow participants, event staff, property of others, or property of the event site;
- engage in any inappropriate sexual conduct, contact, or behavior;
- possess or use weapons of ANY sort;
- commit acts of theft or violence;
- leave the established boundaries without permission of the event coordinators;
- fail to obey the established event schedule;
- or fail to remain with the group during activities.

I have read the community Covenant, and I agree to abide by it throughout the entire event. I understand that failure to adhere to this covenant may result in my being dismissed from the event, and registration fees will not be refunded. I understand that watches and cell phones will not be allowed at this event.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name (print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## RELEASE OF LIABILITY

### To be signed by parent/guardian:

I give permission for my child, \_\_\_\_\_ to attend Happening at St. Paul Episcopal Church in Kingsport, TN, November 6-8, 2009. I authorize the adult event coordinator(s), if necessary, to seek emergency medical help to be administered by a licensed physician. I accept the standard liability insurance as provided by the diocese and I release the Diocese of East Tennessee from all liability beyond this coverage. I have read the "Community Covenant" and understand that a particular standard of behavior is asked of all participants, and that my child, by signing the covenant, has agreed to abide by that standard. I understand that any violation of this Community Covenant may warrant disciplinary action by the event staff, and may include expulsion from the event site. I will abide by the decision of the event staff should my child violate the Community Covenant, and understand that I will be responsible for transportation.

I release the Episcopal Diocese of East Tennessee to record my child's likeness, via still photograph, video, or audio recording, to be used for the sole purpose of promoting youth ministry in print, video, and on the Internet. I waive all rights for compensation.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of participant (print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/guardian (print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/guardian signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## **What Is Happening?**

**HAPPENING** is a weekend presented by teenagers for teenagers. The weekend is spent in a relaxed, fun, informal, loving environment sharing your faith in a Christian atmosphere. A young person who acts as "rector" leads the weekend with the help of clergy and a staff of mostly young people. The weekend is open to youth in grades 10, 11, and 12.

**HAPPENING** encourages teenagers to relate the foundations and message of the Christian faith to their world. A **HAPPENING** weekend is just a beginning. The idea is to get closer to God during the three-day program and continue to grow in the Christian way of life. **HAPPENING** encourages participation in the local parish.

The format of the weekend includes talks and discussions on the basic elements of Christian life and its application to daily living. The sacraments of the church also play an integral part throughout the weekend. This weekend is sponsored by the Episcopal Church and we will be celebrating some of the sacraments according to the Episcopal Book of Common Prayer. We encourage people to live fuller Christian lives in their respective denominations.

## **What do I bring?**

The Happening weekend begins on Friday at 8:00 PM sharp (registration opens at 7:00) and ends on Sunday at 5:00 PM. Please bring clothes for the weekend, toiletries and a towel (showers available), musical instruments (if you like), sleeping bag and pillows/padding, and an open mind!

Please **DO NOT BRING** homework, pets, items prohibited by the Community Covenant, portable music/video/game devices, preconceived notions.

Your application **MUST BE** completed and returned **NO LATER THAN October 16, 2009**. You will receive a letter of confirmation that includes other necessary information for the Happening weekend. Total cost for the Happening weekend is \$55, and a non-refundable deposit of \$15 must accompany the application. Balance is due at the beginning of the event. Make checks payable to Youth Action Council, and mail checks and applications to:

**Episcopal Diocese of East Tennessee  
ATTN: Happening #56  
814 Episcopal School Way  
Knoxville, TN 37932**

If you have questions, please contact Alex Haralson at (865) 966-2110 x19, or by emailing [aharalson@etdiocese.net](mailto:aharalson@etdiocese.net).

Please keep this page for your own information. Money should never be a reason to miss a youth event. Scholarships are available.