

**Salem Presbytery Youth Council (PYC)**  
**Application Form**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Other Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Church: \_\_\_\_\_

*Has to be a PC (U.S.A.) Church*

Rising Grade as of September 2011 (Choose one)  
9<sup>th</sup>                      10<sup>th</sup>                      11<sup>th</sup>                      12<sup>th</sup>                      Adult

Parent(s)/Guardians(s) Names (please give first and last names):  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Tell us why you want to be a member of the Salem Presbytery Youth Council:**  
(use separate sheet if necessary)

**Tell us about yourself (hobbies, interests, sports, what do you like to do for fun, etc.):**

**Current/past Church activities/involvement:**

**\*\*Recommendations from parent/guardian, minister or elder, youth leader or DCE and Session endorsement. Please use the attached recommendation forms. These forms need to be in sealed envelopes when completed and accompanied with your application form in order to be considered by PYC. Thank you.**

**Return to: Kim Nichols  
Salem Presbytery  
P. O. Box 1763  
Clemmons, NC 27012**

**DEADLINE: May 2, 2011**

**Salem Presbytery Youth Council (PYC)**  
**Parent/Guardian Recommendation**

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Church \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Other Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Recommendation Questions:**

*(Please briefly answer these questions on a separate sheet of paper and attach to this form.)*

- 1) Do you have any reservations about this applicant's serving as a leader for Salem Presbytery's Youth Council (PYC)? If so, please describe.
- 2) What are some of the strengths and weaknesses of the applicant?
- 3) How would you characterize this applicant's dependability? For example following through on responsibilities.
- 4) Is this applicant actively and willingly participating in church activities? Please give examples.

PYC offers its members the opportunity to serve the church and their peers as they plan and implement presbytery wide youth retreats. It is hard work and makes a demand on busy schedules, but the experience is also very rewarding and faith building. PYC members will develop lots of leadership and planning skills, experience many unique events and opportunities, and make lasting friendships with other youth from around the Salem Presbytery.

An important component of an effective youth council is parents/guardians of the youth who are supportive of their responsibilities and are willing to encourage their active participation on the council. If your child is selected to serve on PYC, we need to know that it meets with your approval and that you would provide encouragement, support and occasional help in making transportation arrangements if necessary to and from events and meetings.

I am aware that \_\_\_\_\_ is applying for a position on the Salem Presbytery Youth Council (PYC) and have read the bylaws for the PYC members. I will support their participation on PYC if they are selected.

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

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**Salem Presbytery Youth Council (PYC)**  
**Youth Leader or DCE Recommendation**

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Church \_\_\_\_\_

Youth Leader or DCE \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Other Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Recommendation Questions:**

*(Please briefly answer these questions on a separate sheet of paper and attach to this form.)*

- 1) How long have you known the applicant?
- 2) Do you have any reservations about this applicant's serving as a member of PYC? If so, please describe.
- 3) In what areas, if any, does the applicant need further growth and maturity?
- 4) Do you perceive that the applicant's family will be supportive of their participation on PYC if they are selected?
- 5) Is the applicant active in the life of your congregation? In what ways?
- 6) How would this person be a good role model and an example for others?
- 7) Please rate the applicant on the following from 1=low to 5=high.  
\_\_\_\_ Dependability-follows through on responsibilities.  
\_\_\_\_ Participation in church activities  
\_\_\_\_ Participation in church youth activities

**Youth Leader or DCE Agreement**

In signing below, I affirm my responses to this recommendation form and will accept this PYC applicant's role as a representative of this church, if selected. I will strive in every way to stay in contact with this applicant, helping them to continue to grow in faith and maintain their responsibility as a representative to the PYC of Salem Presbytery.

Youth Leader or DCE signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**Salem Presbytery Youth Council (PYC)**  
**Minister or Elder Recommendation**

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Church \_\_\_\_\_

Minister or Elder Name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Other Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Recommendation Questions:**

*(Please briefly answer these questions on a separate sheet of paper and attach to this form.)*

- 8) How long have you known the applicant?
- 9) Do you have any reservations about this applicant's serving as a member of PYC? If so, please describe.
- 10) In what areas, if any, does the applicant need further growth and maturity?
- 11) Do you perceive that the applicant's family will be supportive of their participation on PYC if they are selected?
- 12) Is the applicant active in the life of your congregation? In what ways?
- 13) How would this person be a good role model and an example for others?
- 14) Please rate the applicant on the following from 1=low to 5=high.
  - \_\_\_\_ Dependability-follows through on responsibilities.
  - \_\_\_\_ Participation in church activities
  - \_\_\_\_ Participation in church youth activities

**Minister or Elder Agreement**

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Minister or Elder signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**Salem Presbytery Youth Council (PYC)**  
**Session Endorsement**

*We the session of \_\_\_\_\_ affirm \_\_\_\_\_'s application to serve on the PYC for Salem Presbytery. We will strive in every way to stay in contact with this applicant, helping them continue to grow in faith and maintain their responsibility as a representative to the PYC of Salem Presbytery, if selected.*

Clerk of Session signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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