



Worship Arts Application Packet

Dear Applicant,

This application packet is for those interested in serving in the Worship Ministry at Bethel Church, and exists for the purpose of establishing our vision, commitment, and expectations for Worship Arts, as well as the expectations for those individuals seeking to be involved.

THE APPLICATION PROCESS--

STEP 1: APPLY

Please carefully read through this packet (paying special attention to our expectations) and thoroughly fill out all the requested information. Once everything has been completed, please sign and return this packet to the mailbox of the Worship Arts Director (Patrick Kelly) located in the main office.

STEP 2: REVIEW/PROCESSING

After your application has been submitted and thoroughly reviewed, the Worship Arts Director will contact you. Any additional questions or comments will be processed together with you at that time (either by phone or in person).

STEP 3: PRACTICE/INTERVIEW

Pending application acceptance, you will be given access to any materials needed to prepare for our interview process. Once prepared, you will be requested to attend a Wednesday evening rehearsal with the Bethel Worship Team, where you will have an informal opportunity to meet and rehearse with the team. Following rehearsal, you may also be asked to stay longer for a more focused and individual assessment/interview. In most cases, individuals will be asked to come to more than one rehearsal.

STEP 4: ACCEPTANCE

If you have met the necessary requirements stated in our application packet, and have had a successful interview, then you will be contacted (upon the approval of the Worship Arts Director) and informed that you are on the team. Once adequately prepared, you will be scheduled for Sunday morning services.

THE WORSHIP ARTS MINISTRY AT BETHEL CHURCH--

The Worship Arts Ministry at Bethel Church exists to bring God glory through music and the arts. We believe that worship is the purpose for which we exist and that God is the only being worthy of our praise. Because of this, we devote ourselves toward meeting together regularly in corporate worship, "singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs" (Colossians 3:16).

WORSHIP TEAM EXPECTATIONS--

○ *Team members should model devotion to Christ both on and off the platform*

Worship is a lifestyle (Rom. 12:1), not a Sunday morning set. As a worship team we glorify Christ and lead His church in corporate praise, but this privilege means that others will be more conscious of our lives and actions both on and off of the platform. We need to model a Christ-centered lifestyle to others on a daily basis; this includes the pursuit of Spiritual growth, service to others, and confession and repentance for when necessary (for the purpose of restoration).

○ *Team members should pursue authentic community life together*

As leaders, it's important to remember how vital community is. We were not meant to live in isolation, but instead as many members of the same body we are to serve and live together under the headship of Christ. The same is true with the Worship Arts ministry, which functions best when every member works together and strives for unity. The Worship team at Bethel Church is also encouraged to engage in regular church attendance (even when they are not scheduled), small groups, and other opportunities to participate in community life together.

○ *Team members should model humility and a submissive attitude toward authority*

Worship is ultimately not about us, but God's glory. Therefore, it is essential for us to lay aside our egos and preferences in order to embrace our role as humble servants, perfectly modeled to us by Christ (Phil. 2:6-11). It is also important to recognize the need for submission to those whom God has placed over us in leadership (Rom. 13:1-2).

○ *Team members should strive for musical excellence*

In the Bible, those responsible for leading worship before the Lord were skillful (1 Chron. 25:7). Therefore, as worship leaders, we too should strive for musical excellence each and every week (Ps. 33:3). This means that members of the worship team are expected to practice at home, be prepared and ready to rehearse on Wednesday evenings, and participate to the best of their ability on Sunday mornings to the glory of God.

○ *Team members must exercise consistent personal responsibility*

Being a member of the worship team at Bethel Church comes with added responsibility. Therefore, we expect everyone involved to consistently be on time, to be good stewards of the equipment that God has provided to us, to help with set up and tear down when needed, to communicate scheduling conflicts in a timely manner, to dress appropriately (in a way that does not distract people from focusing on Christ), etc.

Failure to meet these expectations may result in dismissal from participation by the Worship Arts Director. Reinstatement is possible, however, pending the appropriate rectification of unmet expectations (e.g. changes are made, sins are confessed and repented of, etc).

○ **Musical Background:**

What is your primary instrument/position? _____

Do you play any secondary instruments? _____

How long have you been playing/singing? _____

Do you have any formal training? How long? _____

Have you had any experience playing/singing in front of an audience? If so, describe:

Can you play from chord charts? Y / N Sheet music? Y / N

○ **Practicalities:**

Do you own your own instrument/equipment? Y / N

Do you have a plan to buy or borrow if not? Y / N

Will you be available to rehearse on Wednesday nights on a regular basis? Y / N

Do you have consistent and reliable transportation? Y / N

- ***Do you have any questions/thoughts concerning this application, the expectations, or anything else relating to Worship Arts ministry at Bethel Church?***

NAME (PLEASE PRINT): _____

EMAIL: _____ PHONE: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

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