

## 2012 ELCA National Youth Gathering Citizens With The Saints

The theme, *citizens with the saints*, is drawn from the second lesson for Sunday, July 22, 2012 (Ephesians 2:14–20), paraphrased here:

*Jesus is our peace. In his life and death on the cross, Jesus broke down the dividing walls so that we are no longer strangers and outsiders, but we are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God. The foundation of God's house was built of apostles and prophets, and Jesus, the cornerstone, holds it all together.*

The theme also blends the rich faith history, diverse cultures and arts of New Orleans with the communion of saints that is present whenever and wherever God's people gather!

### **Eligibility:**

Any teenager going into ninth, tenth, eleventh or twelfth grade or having just graduated from high school at the time of the Gathering is eligible to register as part of a congregational group. All registrants should be members or guests of ELCA congregations.

### **Dates to Remember:**

October 9, 2011 - \$150 Non-refundable Registration fee due (make check payable to Apostles Lutheran)

October 9, 2011 - Gathering Registration opens at 2:00 PM

May 26, 2012 - \$165 Remainder of Registration fee due

July 18-22, 2012 National Youth Gathering begins

**Websites:**

<http://www.elca.org/elca/youth-gathering.aspx>

**Facebook:**

ELCA Youth Gathering

**You Tube:**

[http://www.youtube.com/results?search\\_query=elca+youth+gathering+2012&aq=0&aql=t&oq=elca+youth](http://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=elca+youth+gathering+2012&aq=0&aql=t&oq=elca+youth)

**Twitter:**

<http://twitter.com/#!/elcagathering>

# **ELCA 2012 Youth Gathering July 18-22, 2012 – New Orleans, LA Guidelines**

All parents and youth will sign the Youth Gathering Guidelines form to show that they have read and understand what is written here.

Youth are also asked to read and sign the conduct form to show that they are aware of the expectations of behavior expected of Apostles youth as they represent their congregation.

## **FUNDRAISING:**

- All students planning to attend and their parents are expected to share in fundraising.
- A log of hours worked at fundraisers will be kept by the Gathering leaders. This log will be used to fairly distribute the funds raised when it is time to go to the Gathering.
- It is good stewardship for youth to tithe 10% of profits from each fundraiser as we raise money. The Gathering youth will decide where the money will go, including the opportunities to give at the Gathering.
- Fundraisers to be in good taste and respectful of people coming to and leaving worship.
- All funds are deposited into an Apostles designated fund for the Youth Gathering. All funds remain at church to be deposited after it is counted. Money is never taken home by any adult to be counted later.

## **MONEY GUIDELINES:**

Council will be asked to include allowance for chaperones in the 2012 budget. Budget for chaperones to reflect airfare, hotel, shuttle from airport, and balance of registration. Chaperones will pay for their food and souvenirs and any additional fun outings that are planned. By the time we set the budget for 2012, we will have an idea of how many chaperones will be needed so we can estimate amount to put in budget.

We will try to raise as much money as we can. However, if there are many youth going, they may have to pay part of their way. **No student or parent is to assume or be told that all of the expenses (plane, hotel, registration, shuttle, food) will be paid in full.**

**CHAPERONES:**

Chaperones will be selected after we know the number of youth attending the Gathering. The Gathering requests at least one chaperone per five youth and at least one chaperone for males and one for females.

**2012 NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING**  
**July 18-22, 2012**

Please print clearly and complete the following:

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Email Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone Number** \_\_\_\_\_

**Do You Text:** \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that youth attending the National Gathering may or may not be able to raise all funds needed to cover their expenses. There is no promise that all funds for plane fare, hotel, registration and airport shuttle can be raised. The number attending will determine the percentage of covered costs. Therefore, families need to plan in advance to save funds for costs that might be incurred.

Youth and chaperones cover their own cost for souvenirs, food, theme parks or other fun additional events group may attend. All youth are expected to take part in fundraising. If they do not take part, they are to pay the entire cost of the trip themselves. Students coming in mid-way or at the end will pay accordingly.

I have read the above information.

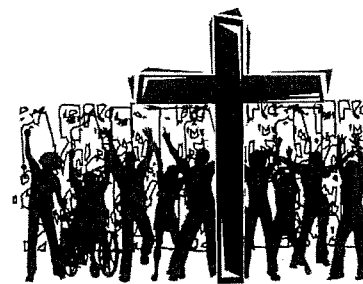
**Parent Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

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

**2012 ELCA Youth Gathering**  
**Youth Participant Registration Information Form**

*This form is to assist leaders in collecting the information which will be required to complete the online registration for the youth participants in their group. All fields are required.*

**Do not send this form to the ELCA Youth Gathering Office.**  
**It is for your own information only!**



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**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

In Fall 2012, I will be:  entering grade 9  entering grade 10  entering grade 11  entering grade 12  
 a 2012 high school graduate

Female  Male

Age at Gathering: \_\_\_\_\_

T-shirt size:  S  M  L  XL  XXL  XXXL  4XL

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, state, zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Day phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Evening phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please include area codes with all phone numbers.*

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

Name of emergency contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency day phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency evening phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please include area codes with all phone numbers.*

**ETHNICITY**

Alaskan or Native American  Arab or Middle Eastern  Asian or Pacific Islander  African Descent

Latino/a  Caucasian/White  Multiracial

I am registering for MYLE  I am registering for DAYLE

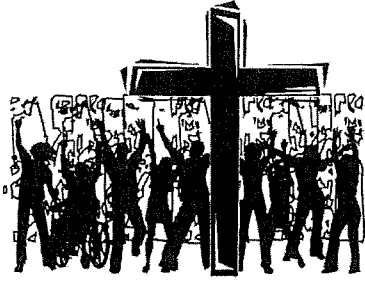
This is my first ELCA Youth Gathering

I have limited mobility

I must limit my exposure to the sun or heat

I have additional limitations or disabilities (please describe):

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## **2012 ELCA Youth Gathering** **Youth Agreement and Release of Liability**

***This Agreement and Release of Liability  
must be read and agreed to by both the  
YOUTH PARTICIPANT and a PARENT OR GUARDIAN.***

**Print, sign and bring  
this form with you to New Orleans**

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### **PART 1: Agreement and release of liability – YOUTH**

By signing this form I allow the release of my name as part of an information database for ELCA-related entities, and that photographs and videos produced by the 2012 ELCA Youth Gathering that contain or bear my image become the property of the ELCA and can be used for ELCA-related purposes and publicity.

I hereby confirm that I have voluntarily chosen to participate in the 2012 ELCA Youth Gathering, including but not limited to the Multicultural Youth Leadership Event and the Definately-Abled Youth Leadership Event, planned and arranged by the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) for July 16-22, 2012 in New Orleans, LA. I am aware that the 2012 ELCA Youth Gathering presents risks of personal injury, property loss, or damage to participants. I expressly and voluntarily assume all such risks that may result from my participation in the 2012 ELCA Youth Gathering.

I hereby release and will indemnify the ELCA, its agents, affiliates, and successors from all liability for injury, death, or other loss or damage resulting from my participation in the 2012 ELCA Youth Gathering. I have read this agreement and release and fully understand its contents. I agree to it of my own free will.

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*Youth signature and date*

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*Printed name*

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### **PART 2: Agreement and release of liability – PARENT/GUARDIAN**

As legal guardian of the minor who signed Part 1 of this Agreement and Release of Liability, I hereby assent to the foregoing agreement on my own behalf and on behalf of the minor and her or his heirs and assigns. I further accept unto myself all responsibility and all liability for any injury, death, or other loss or damage that occurs to me and/or to the minor as a result of the minor's participation in the 2012 ELCA Youth Gathering.

I release the ELCA and will indemnify and hold harmless the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, its agents, affiliates, and successors from all claims, judgments, and costs, including attorney's fees, incurred in connection with any action that may be brought as a result of the minor's participation in the 2012 ELCA Youth Gathering.

#### **Notice of Insurance Coverage**

The 2012 ELCA Youth Gathering provides limited insurance coverage on all participants and staff. Each person will be covered from July 16 to July 22, 2012. The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America carries travel/accident insurance coverage on each churchwide event, which includes a \$50,000 death and dismemberment benefit and a \$10,000 accident medical expense benefit. You must rely on your own health insurance for other health issues.

I have read the *Agreement and Release of Liability* and *Notice of Insurance Coverage*. I understand and agree to the terms:

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*Parent/Guardian signature and date*

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*Printed name*