

MASTER GUIDE

Requirements

I. Pre-Requisites

- A. Be at least 16 years of age.
- B. Be a baptized member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.
- C. Complete a basic staff training course in one of the following:
 1. Adventurer ministries
 2. Pathfinder ministries
 3. Youth Emergency Service
 4. Teen/young adult ministries

II. Spiritual Development

- A. Read the book *Steps to Christ*.
- B. Complete the devotional guide Encounter Series I, *Christ the Way*.
- C. Keep a devotional journal for at least four weeks, summarizing what you read each day.
- D. Demonstrate your knowledge of the 27 Fundamental Beliefs by completing one of the following:
 1. Write a paper explaining each belief.
 2. Give an oral presentation on each belief.
 3. Give a series of Bible studies covering each belief.
 4. Conduct a seminar, teaching each belief.
- E. Enhance your knowledge of church heritage by:
 1. Reading *The Pathfinder Story* by John Hancock.
 2. Earning the Adventist Church Heritage Award.
 3. Reading a book about church heritage, such as:
 - a. *Anticipating the Advent*, by George Knight (a brief history of Seventh-day Adventists)
 - b. *Tell It to the World*, by Mervyn Maxwell (the story of Seventh-day Adventists)
 - c. *Light Bearers to the Remnant* (denominational history college textbook)Books are available from the ABC store or AdventSource.

III. Skills Development

- A. Supervise participant(s) through either the Adventurer class curriculum **OR** the AY class curriculum.
- B. Have or earn the following AY honors:
 1. Christian Storytelling
 2. Camping Skills I

- C. Earn two additional AY honors not previously earned.
- D. Hold a current American Red Cross First Aid and Safety certificate or its equivalent.
- E. Attend and complete a two-hour seminar in each of the following areas:
 - 1. Leadership skills
 - 2. Communication skills
 - 3. Creativity and resource development
 - 4. Children and youth evangelism

IV. Child Development

- A. Read the book *Education*.
- B. Read either the book *Child Guidance* **OR** the book *Messages to Young People*
- C. Read a book **OR** attend a three-hour seminar dealing with child development about the age group of your ministry.

V. Leadership Development

- A. Read the book *Leadership is an Art* by Max dePreez (available at AdventSource), **OR** a current leadership book of your choice.
- B. Demonstrate your leadership by doing all of the following:
 - 1. Develop and conduct three worships
 - 2. Participate with your local church children's/youth group in a conference-sponsored event
 - 3. Teach three Adventurer awards **OR** two AY honors
 - 4. Assist in planning and leading an Adventurer, Pathfinder, or Sabbath School field trip
 - 5. Be an active Adventurer, Pathfinder, YES Corps, or AY Society staff member for at least one year, and attend 75% of the staff meetings
- C. Write goals which you would like to accomplish in your ministry.
- D. Identify three current roles in your life, one of which is spiritually oriented, and list three goals for each.

VI. Fitness Lifestyle Development

Participate in a personal physical fitness plan for a minimum of three months, and evaluate and show improvement (recommended: *The Aerobics Program for Total Well-Being,* by Kenneth Cooper).