

## **Yokefellow Prison Ministry of North Carolina Volunteer Application Packet**

Thank you for your interest in volunteering with Yokefellow Prison Ministry of N.C., Inc. We appreciate your interest and look forward to learning more about you.

All volunteers with Yokefellow Prison Ministry are required to submit a completed volunteer application packet to the Yokefellow Prison Ministry office before they will be approved to volunteer with a local Yokefellow group. The volunteer application packet includes the following documents:

- **Volunteer Application Form** – Completed, signed, and dated by the applicant and submitted to the Yokefellow Prison Ministry office
- **Letter of Good Standing** – Completed, signed, and dated by the applicant's pastor (applicant must have been active with a local church for at least six months) and submitted directly to the Yokefellow Prison Ministry office on church letterhead
- **Two Letters of Recommendation** – Completed, signed, and dated by two non-family members and submitted directly to the Yokefellow Prison Ministry office

The Volunteer Application Form, Letter of Good Standing, and Letters of Recommendation should be submitted to the Yokefellow Prison Ministry office using one of the following methods:

- **Email:** yokefellownc.statedeveloper@gmail.com
- **Fax:** 336-288-0623
- **Mail:** P.O. Box 38964, Greensboro, NC 27438

Please note that volunteer applicants will also need to complete a background check through the prison where they are seeking to serve. After your volunteer application is approved, you will receive instructions for completing this background check. The type of information you will be required to provide may include your Social Security number, driver's license, U.S. citizenship status, height, weight, race, and/or criminal history. This background check is required by the prison, so this will need to be completed before you can volunteer in the prison, even if you have already completed Yokefellow's application process.

Call (336) 740-0392 with questions about the volunteer application process. To learn more about the ministry, visit our website at <http://www.yokefellowprisonministry.org>.

Thank you again for your interest!

## Yokefellow Prison Ministry of North Carolina Volunteer Application Form

This form should be completed, signed, and dated by the **applicant** and then submitted to the Yokefellow Prison Ministry office using one of the following methods:

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### Basic Information

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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(City) (State) (Zip Code)

Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Male: \_\_\_\_\_ Female: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any medical conditions or disabilities that may restrict your volunteer services? If yes, please specify. \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been incarcerated? If yes, how long ago? \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Information:

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

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### Volunteer Interest

Why are you interested in volunteering with a Christian prison ministry? \_\_\_\_\_

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Which prison(s) are you interested in volunteering with? \_\_\_\_\_

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Have you ever volunteered with a prison ministry or do you have other related experience? If yes, share details. \_\_\_\_\_

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Yokefellow Prison Ministry of N.C., Inc. is a Christian interdenominational and interracial prison ministry. Do you have any concerns about volunteering for a ministry with this focus? If yes, please share your concerns. \_\_\_\_\_

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To be approved as a volunteer, applicants must complete training for Yokefellow Prison Ministry of N.C., Inc. as well as for the local prison. To complete the Yokefellow Prison Ministry training, applicants may choose to attend one of the live training sessions offered in different parts of the state throughout the year or to complete the training online. To be approved to volunteer in a local prison, the applicant must follow the instructions provided by prison personnel, which include submitting to a background check and completing the training provided by the prison. Applicants will be unable to volunteer for Yokefellow Prison Ministry until both trainings are completed.

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I have read and understand the information provided in this volunteer application form and agree that I will not attempt to volunteer in a local prison for Yokefellow until I have completed all training requirements for Yokefellow Prison Ministry of N.C., Inc. and the local prison. I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that all statements in this volunteer application form are true, correct, complete, and made in good faith.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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

## **Yokefellow Prison Ministry of North Carolina Letter of Good Standing**

### **For the Applicant**

Because Yokefellow Prison Ministry of N.C., Inc. is a Christian ministry, volunteers are required to be in good standing with a local church for at least six months before applying to volunteer. Call (336) 740-0392 with questions about this policy.

Complete the following information and then give this completed form to the pastor of your local church for submission to Yokefellow.

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

Church Name: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been active in this local church? \_\_\_\_\_

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### **For the Pastor**

The above-named applicant has applied to volunteer with Yokefellow Prison Ministry of N.C., Inc., which is a Christian interdenominational and interracial prison ministry. To learn more about this ministry, please visit the website at [yokefellowprisonministry.org](http://yokefellowprisonministry.org).

Because Yokefellow is a Christian ministry, volunteers are required to be active and in good standing with a local church for at least six months. Please write a letter of good standing on behalf of the above-named applicant on your church letterhead. In this letter, address how long the applicant has been active in your local church, whether you believe the applicant would be a good fit for a prison ministry, and why you believe this. Sign and date the letter and then submit the letter and this form directly to the Yokefellow Prison Ministry office using one of the following methods:

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Call (336) 740-0392 with questions about completing and submitting a letter of good standing.

**Your letter of good standing will be kept confidential.** Because the applicant will be interacting with inmates, Yokefellow needs to ensure that the applicant is a good fit for this ministry. Please be candid to assist Yokefellow in making this assessment. Thank you for taking the time to complete a letter of good standing on behalf of the applicant.

## Yokefellow Prison Ministry of North Carolina Letter of Recommendation

### For the Applicant

Yokefellow Prison Ministry of N.C., Inc. requires two letters of recommendation from non-family members before an applicant may be approved to volunteer in a prison. References must have known you for at least six months. Call (336) 740-0392 with questions about this policy.

Complete the following information and then give this completed form to two references for submission to Yokefellow.

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

Reference's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known each other? \_\_\_\_\_

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### For the Reference

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Because Yokefellow is a prison ministry, volunteers are required to submit two letters of recommendation from non-family members who have known them for at least six months. Please write a letter of recommendation on behalf of the above-named applicant and address how long you have known the applicant, whether you believe the applicant would be a good fit for a prison ministry, and why you believe this. Sign and date the letter and then submit the letter and this form directly to the Yokefellow Prison Ministry office using one of the following methods:

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Call (336) 740-0392 with questions about completing and submitting your letter.

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Thank you for taking the time to complete a letter of recommendation on behalf of the applicant.