



Community & Family Application

Please specify whether you are applying for Community or Family status.
(See page 2 for differences between Community and Family Status.)

Community: Sunday Encounter Service, 2+ hours prayer room weekly, 2+ hours monthly Helps Ministry

Family: 8+ hours prayer room weekly, 2+ hours weekly Helps Ministry, Sunday Encounter Service (optional)

Information to be completed:

- Application (To be completed by Community AND Family) p. 3-7
- Family Commitment Form (Family status only) p. 9-10
- Pastoral Recommendation (Family status only) p. 13-15

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- An **IHOP Community** member is an individual who sees IHOP Atlanta as his or her church home and spiritual family. He or she attends Sunday Encounter Services, spends time in the prayer room weekly, and serves monthly in a helps ministry department, but is not able to make a Staff or Family level commitment to the missions base at this time.
- An **IHOP Family** member is one who is not able to join IHOP as Staff, but who makes a 10-hour commitment to the missions base each week. A Family member may or may not see IHOP as his or her church home/spiritual family.

IHOP COMMUNITY REQUIREMENTS

- Vision and Values Seminar
- Community Application
- Encounter Service
- 2+ hours Prayer Room per week
- 2+ hours Helps Ministry per month

IHOP FAMILY REQUIREMENTS

- Vision and Values Seminar
- Pastoral Recommendation
- Family Application
- 8+ hours Prayer Room per week (Family Commitment Form required)
- 2+ hours Helps Ministry per week

APPLICATION PROCESS

The application process is as follows. All components must be completed/received prior to your application being processed.

1. Completed application packet
2. Recent photograph
3. Pastoral recommendation (Only if applying as Family)
4. Completion of the Vision & Values Seminar

You may turn in your completed application packet at any time to the offering box in the foyer of the main prayer room or you may mail the application packet to IHOP Atlanta at the following address:

**IHOP Atlanta Community (or Family) Application
1625 Collins Hill Rd.
Lawrenceville, GA 30043**

Upon completion of the IHOP Atlanta Vision and Values Seminar and completion of your application, you will receive confirmation by e-mail from the Community or Staffing Department that you have been received into fellowship as a part of IHOP Community or Family. At the Vision and Values Seminar, you will be introduced to a community leader who will assist you in getting connected with the IHOP Atlanta community.

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Desired Designation:

Community

Family

Date

Required

Attach
a recent photograph
of yourself here.

First Name Middle Name Last Name

Street Address

City State Zip

Home Phone Cell Phone

Email Address Birthdate Age

Marital Status: Single Married Widowed Separated Divorced

In case of an emergency, whom may we contact?

Name of Contact Relationship of Emergency Contact to Applicant

Emergency Home Phone Emergency Cell Phone or Work Phone (circle one)

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MINISTRY / GIFTINGS INFORMATION

1. When did you become a Christian?

2. Describe your church background. Please include names, denominations, and dates.

3. Please give a brief history of your previous ministry involvement.

4. What would you consider to be your gifts and talents (spiritual and natural)?

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SKILLS INFORMATION

HIGHEST LEVEL OF EDUCATION: High School AS BS/BA MS/MBA PhD Other

MAJOR / DISCIPLINE: _____

Please "X"	Gifting/Experience	Please Specify	Years of Experience
_____	Accounting / Finance	_____	_____
_____	Administrative / Clerical	_____	_____
_____	Bookstore	_____	_____
_____	Computers (Microsoft, Excel, Access)	_____	_____
_____	Construction / Maintenance	_____	_____
_____	Counseling	_____	_____
_____	Creative Writing	_____	_____
_____	Dance	_____	_____
_____	Dance / Drama / Production	_____	_____
_____	Engineering	_____	_____
_____	Event Planning / Coordinating	_____	_____
_____	First Aid / Certified EMT	_____	_____
_____	Foreign Language	_____	_____
_____	Grant Writing	_____	_____
_____	Graphic Design	_____	_____
_____	Home School Instructor	_____	_____
_____	Housekeeping/Cleaning	_____	_____
_____	Human Resources / Staffing	_____	_____
_____	I.T. (Information Technology)	_____	_____
_____	International Missions	_____	_____
_____	Internship Management/Coordination	_____	_____
_____	Journalism / Editing	_____	_____
_____	Legal	_____	_____
_____	Managerial	_____	_____
_____	Marketing / Sales	_____	_____
_____	Media	_____	_____
_____	Medical	_____	_____
_____	Nursery	_____	_____
_____	Painting / Photography	_____	_____
_____	Pastoral	_____	_____
_____	Projection / PowerPoint	_____	_____
_____	Sign Language	_____	_____
_____	Sound Technician	_____	_____
_____	Teaching - Adult learners	_____	_____
_____	Teaching - Child learners (age 1-5)	_____	_____
_____	Teaching - Child learners (age 6-12)	_____	_____
_____	Teaching - College/Career	_____	_____
_____	Tutoring	_____	_____
_____	Typing (indicate wpm)	_____	_____
_____	Web Development	_____	_____
_____	Youth ministry (age 12-18)	_____	_____
_____	Other	_____	_____

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Please acknowledge your agreement with the following by initialing each of the boxes and signing your name below.

- I have read and agree with the IHOP-Atlanta Statement of Faith.
(Please refer to the attached Statement of Faith.)

- I have read and understand the IHOP requirements and responsibilities that are expected of a member of the status I have previously designated, as laid out on page 2.

IHOP ATLANTA COMMITMENT

IHOP Atlanta is committed to be a spiritual family for all those who complete IHOP Community requirements. IHOP Atlanta's goal is to provide care, fellowship, and instruction in the context of night and day worship and prayer for everyone in the IHOP Community.

SUGGESTED ATTENDANCE

- Sunday Encounter Service (required for Community, suggested for Family)
- Tuesday All-Staff Prayer and Fasting Meeting, 4-6pm
- Global Bridegroom Fast All-Staff Prayer and Fasting Meetings – First Monday through Wednesday of every month, 4-6pm

- I understand that I will be expected to minister to the LORD in and through serving others.

- I understand that my application is pending until I complete the Visions and Values Seminar.

Signature

Date

JOINING A WORSHIP TEAM

How Do I Get Involved with IHOP Atlanta Worship Teams?

Worship is a vital part of the International House of Prayer Atlanta. Even as those in the Tabernacle of David were “trained and skilled in music for the Lord” (1 Ch 25:6-7), we want to pursue a spirit of excellence in our worship and musicianship. Therefore, we have put into place a tryout process in order to have a standard skill level within the worship teams of IHOP-Atlanta. Because we understand that the tryout process has the potential to be an emotionally vulnerable experience. Therefore, we have put much thought into making this process as un-intimidating as possible.

How Do I Schedule a Tryout for a Worship Team?

Worship team tryouts occur the 3rd Monday of every month from 4-6 p.m. During the tryout, you will have the opportunity to play and/or sing with IHOP-Atlanta staff worship leaders and musicians. In order to join a worship team, you must have a community level commitment to the IHOP-Atlanta missions base. This means that you must be committed to 2 or more hours per week in the prayer room. While there is no age requirement, we do ask that children, under the age of 14, be accompanied by a parent.

Tryouts must be scheduled in advance. Reservations may be made by e-mailing tryouts@ihop-atlanta.com. In your e-mail, please indicate the instrument(s) on which you will be trying out. If you are interested in being a singer, please indicate that you are trying out for “vocals.”

All e-mails must be confirmed by noon on the Saturday before the tryouts. If you do not receive an e-mail reply, you have not been confirmed.

What Happens After the Tryouts?

Within a week after your scheduled tryout, you will receive an e-mail informing you of your results. If you are not approved at the level you desire, you are welcome to try out again; however, if your ability is not yet at the necessary skill level to be on a team, you will be encouraged to get further training prior to trying out again.

If you are approved, you will be able to join a worship team as there is need. The IHOP-Atlanta section leaders will work with you to try to find a good fit for you according to your availability and open positions on worship teams; however, it is up to each individual worship leader to invite you to join his or her worship team.

There is no tryout for the position of worship leader. Because of the uniqueness of our model, potential worship leaders are trained as they serve as members of worship teams and are invited to lead worship as there is need.

FAMILY COMMITMENT FORM

Name _____ Phone _____

Email _____

IHOP DESIGNATION: (see suggestions below)

[] **Family:** 10 hours: 8+ hours Prayer Room, 2+ hours Helps Ministry

SUGGESTED FAMILY ATTENDANCE:

- Sunday Encounter Service (AM or PM)
- Tuesday All-Staff Prayer & Fasting meeting at 4 PM
- At least one Gatekeeper School of Ministry class a year
- Global Bridegroom Fast: First Monday through Wednesday of every month
- Monthly All-Staff Meeting: Fourth Monday of the month at 4 PM

Please clearly mark the boxes of the hours to which you are committing to be at the IHOP Missions Base. The hours you indicate will be your weekly scheduled hours at the missions base. These hours include prayer room hours and helps ministry hours.

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
12 AM							
2 AM							
4 AM							
6 AM							
8 AM							
10 AM	Encounter Service						
12 PM							
2 PM							
4 PM							
6 PM	Encounter Service						
8 PM							
10 PM							

Total Weekly Hours: _____

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STATEMENT OF FAITH

WE BELIEVE that only the sixty-six books of the Bible are the inspired, and therefore inerrant, Word of God. It is the final authority for all we believe and how we are to live. Matthew 5:18; John 10:35; 17:17; 2 Timothy 3:16-17; 2 Peter 1:20-21.

WE BELIEVE that the one true God exists eternally in three persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and that these, being one God, are equal in deity, power, and glory. We believe that God not only created the world but also now upholds, sustains, governs, and providentially directs all that exists and that He will bring all things to their proper consummation in Christ Jesus to the glory of His name. Psalm 104; Psalm 139; Matthew 10:29-31; 28:19; Acts 17:24-28; 2 Corinthians 13:14; Ephesians 1:9-12; 4:4-6; Colossians 1:16-17; Hebrews 1:1-3; Revelation 1:4-6.

WE BELIEVE that Satan, originally a great and good angel, rebelled against God, taking a multitude of angels with him. He was cast out of God's presence and is at work with his demonic hosts to establish his counter-kingdom of darkness and evil on the earth. Satan was judged and defeated at the cross of Christ and will, at the end of the age, be cast forever into the lake of fire which has been prepared for him and his angels. Matthew 12:25-29; 25:41; John 12:31; 16:11; Ephesians 6:10-20; Colossians 2:15; 2 Peter 2:4; Jude 6; Revelation 12:7-9; 20:10.

WE BELIEVE that Adam was originally created in the image of God, righteous and without sin. In consequence of his disobedience, Adam's posterity are born subject to both imputed and inherent sin, and are therefore by nature and choice the children of wrath, justly condemned in the sight of God, wholly unable to save themselves or to contribute in any way to their acceptance with God. Genesis 1-3; Psalm 51:5; Isaiah 53:5; Romans 3:9-18; 5:12-21; Ephesians 2:1-3.

WE BELIEVE that Jesus Christ is God incarnate, fully God and fully man, that He was conceived and born of a virgin, lived a sinless life, and offered himself as a penal, substitutionary sacrifice for sinners. By the blood of His cross He obtained for us eternal redemption, the forgiveness of sins, and life everlasting. He was raised bodily on the third day and ascended to the right hand of the Father, there to make intercession for the saints. Matthew 1:18-25; John 1:1-18; Romans 8:34; 1 Corinthians 15:1-28; 2 Corinthians 5:21; Galatians 3:10-14; Ephesians 1:7; Philippians 2:6-11; Colossians 1:15-23; Hebrews 7:25; 9:13-15; 10:19; 1 Peter 2:21-25; 1 John 2:1-2.

WE BELIEVE that salvation is by grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ alone. No ordinance, ritual, work, or any other activity on the part of man is required in order to be saved. This saving grace of God, through the power of the Holy Spirit, also sanctifies us by enabling us to do what is pleasing in God's sight in order that we might be progressively conformed to the image of Christ. John 1:12-13; 6:37-44; 10:25-30; Acts 16:30-31; Romans 3-4; 8:1-17,31-39; 10:8-10; Ephesians 2:8-10; Philippians 2:12-13; Titus 3:3-7; 1 John 1:7,9.

WE BELIEVE that the Lord Jesus Christ baptizes believers in the Holy Spirit, in whom also we are sealed for the day of redemption. The Holy Spirit regenerates, forever indwells, and graciously equips the Christian for godly living and service. Subsequent to conversion the Spirit desires to fill, empower, and anoint believers for ministry and witness. We also believe that signs and wonders, as well as all the gifts of the Spirit described in the New Testament, are operative today and are designed to testify to the presence of the kingdom and to empower and edify the church to fulfill its calling and mission. Matthew 3:11; John 1:12-13; 3:1-15; Acts 4:29-30; Romans 8:9; 12:3-8; 1 Corinthians 12:12-13; 2 Corinthians 1:21-22; Galatians 3:1-5; Ephesians 1:13-14; 5:18.

WE BELIEVE that water baptism and the Lord's Supper are the two ordinances of the church to be observed until the time of Christ's return. They are not a means of salvation but are channels of God's sanctifying grace and blessing to the faithful in Christ Jesus. Matthew 26:26-29; 28:19; Romans 6:3-11; 1 Corinthians 11:23-34; 1 Peter 3:21.

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STATEMENT OF FAITH - continued

WE BELIEVE that the church is God's primary instrument through which He is fulfilling His redemptive purposes in the earth. To equip the saints for the work of ministry, God has given the church apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers. We also affirm the priesthood of all believers and the importance of every Christian being joined with and actively involved in a local community of the saints. We believe that women, no less than men, are called and gifted to proclaim the gospel and do all the works of the kingdom. However, final governmental authority in the church has ideally been entrusted to men. Matthew 16:17-19; Acts 2:17-18,42; Ephesians 3:14-21; 4:11-16; 1 Timothy 2:11-15; Hebrews 10:23-25; 1 Peter 2:4-5,9-10.

WE BELIEVE that God has called the church to preach the gospel to all nations, and especially to remember the poor and to minister to their needs through sacrificial giving and practical service. This ministry is an expression of the heart of the Lord Jesus Christ and is an essential part of the kingdom of God. Isaiah 58:6-12; 61:1; Matthew 28:18-20; Luke 4:18; 21:1-4; Galatians 2:10; 1 Timothy 6:8.

WE BELIEVE in the literal second coming of Christ at the end of the age when He will return to the earth personally and visibly to consummate His kingdom. We also believe in and are praying for a great end-time harvest of souls and the emergence of a victorious church that will experience an unprecedented unity, purity, and power in the Holy Spirit. Psalms 2:7-9; 22:27-28; John 14:12; 17:20-26; Romans 11:25-32; 1 Corinthians 15:20-28,50-58; Ephesians 4:11-16; Philippians 3:20-21; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-5:11; 2 Thessalonians 1:3-12; Revelation 7:9-14.

WE BELIEVE that when the Christian dies he/she passes immediately into the blessed presence of Christ, there to enjoy conscious fellowship with the Savior until the day of the resurrection and glorious transformation of the body. The saved will then forever dwell in blissful fellowship with their great Triune God. We also believe that when the unbeliever dies he/she is consigned to hell, there to await the day of judgment when he/she shall be punished with eternal separation from the presence of God. Matthew 25:46; Luke 16:19-31; John 5:25-29; 1 Corinthians 15:35-58; 2 Corinthians 5:1-10; Philippians 1:19-26; 3:20-21; 2 Thessalonians 1:5-10; Revelation 20:11-15; 21:1-22:15.

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PASTORAL RECOMMENDATION

APPLICANT DESIGNATION:

Family Community

THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE APPLICANT:

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Street Address: _____ Apt. _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

To the Applicant: You may waive your right to see this character reference with the understanding that none of the information within will be disclosed to you. Check the box below which represents your wishes. This will in no way affect your acceptance to IHOP staff. **Please note: Failure to indicate a choice is the same as checking the "I do not waive" box.**

- Yes, I waive my right to see this character reference.
 No, I do not waive my right to see this character reference.

Note: It is the responsibility of the applicant to give / mail this pastoral recommendation to the pastor.

Name of Pastor: _____

Name of Church: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Home Phone: _____

THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE PASTOR:

To the Pastoral Reference: This recommendation form is to be completed by the applicant's closest (present or former) pastor. In the case that the applicant's father is the pastor, another staff minister may act as pastoral reference.

While it is not required or expected that any IHOP staff member consider IHOP their church family, we recognize it is possible that through their service at IHOP they may desire to make this transition. If this individual felt led to make such a transition we would ask you to consider blessing and releasing them to this unique calling. If you have any questions, you may email them to info@ihop-atlanta.com. Thank you for your involvement in this important phase of this applicant's life.

1. How long have you known the applicant?

2. How well? Very well Fairly well Casually By name/sight

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3. Please describe the applicant's level of church involvement.
(Check all that apply.)

Regular

Cooperative

Interested

Irregular

Uninvolved

Distant

4. Has the applicant served your congregation in any capacity? Yes No
If so, please give a brief description.

5. What are the strengths and spiritual gifts of the applicant according to your observation?

6. What is your assessment of the applicant's weaknesses?

7. What is the applicant's effect on his/her peers?

Positive

Neutral

Negative

Unknown

8. Are there any complex family factors which might affect the applicant's service at the International House of Prayer?

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9. Does your congregation intend to partner financially with the applicant as a missionary?

Yes No

10. My recommendation for this applicant to serve at the International House of Prayer Atlanta:

Highly recommend Recommend with reservations
 Recommend Do not recommend

Pastors Signature

Date

**Upon completion of this pastoral recommendation, please send to:
International House of Prayer Atlanta
1625 Collins Hill Rd.
Lawrenceville, GA 30043**