

# Are You Called by God . . .

Or are you just a volunteer?

*Excerpted from "The Heart of the Artist" by Rory Noland*

There is a great difference between someone who is "just volunteering" and someone who serves because he or she feels called into God's service.

A **volunteer** looks on rehearsal as one more commitment he's obligated to fulfill.

**One called of God** looks upon rehearsal as another opportunity to be used of God.

A **volunteer** looks upon any constructive criticism with indignation.

**One called of God** is grateful for feedback because he wants to be the best he can be.

A **volunteer** puts in minimum effort.

**One called of God** puts in maximum effort.

A **volunteer** complains about all the various things that are bothering him.

**One called of God** leads a personal campaign to improve that, which needs improvement.

A **volunteer** feels threatened by the talents of others.

**One called of God** feels secure in God's direction of his life.

A **volunteer** does no outside practicing or preparation – after all he's just a volunteer.

**One called of God** comes to rehearsal and performances "prayed up" and as prepared as possible.

A **volunteer** wants to quit at the first sign of adversity or discouragement.

**One called of God** digs in and perseveres.

A **volunteer** is oblivious to the needs of his ministry.

**One called of God** identifies and prays over the needs of his ministry.

A **volunteer** harbors jealousy of others.

**One called of God** praises God for distributing gifts and talents as He chooses.

A **volunteer** shrinks back from resolving relational conflict.

**One called of God** seeks to resolve all relational conflict to preserve the unity of the team.

A **volunteer's** main source of fulfillment is his talents and abilities.

**One called of God** knows that fulfillment comes in being used of God.

A **volunteer** can't handle being put in situations where he's going to be stretched.

**One called of God** responds to God's call with humble dependence on Him.



**SMOKEY POINT**  
COMMUNITY CHURCH

## Smokey Point Community Church Worship/Audio Volunteer Application

Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

Are You a Christian? Yes / No

If yes, please tell briefly how you came to know and follow Jesus.

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Have you been baptized? Yes / No When? \_\_\_\_\_

Where? \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you attended Smokey Point Community Church? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you completed the membership process? Yes / No

If no, are you willing to become a member? Yes / No

Do you attend a Life Group? Yes / No

If yes, which one? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you? Single / Married / Divorced

Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Is your spouse a Christian? Yes / No

Is your spouse supportive of you being involved? Yes / No

Does your spouse attend Smokey Point Community Church? Yes / No

Are you employed? Yes / No

Have any of the following items been a part of your past (illegal drugs, treatment for drug and alcohol abuse, been arrested, accused of child abuse)? Yes / No

If yes, explain \_\_\_\_\_

Is there anything in your life that may take away from the credibility of the worship/audio ministry at Smokey Point? Yes / No

If yes, explain \_\_\_\_\_

Vocalists MUST send an online audition video to [izzygleason7@gmail.com](mailto:izzygleason7@gmail.com)

Video can be mp3, YouTube format. It does not need to be quality and most can be done from any iPhone.

Musical Area of interest (vocal part you sing and/or instrument(s) you play) \_\_\_\_\_

Audio area of interest (soundboard, sermon recording, ProPresenter/slides)

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Circle the level that best describes your ability:

Beginner

Intermediate

Advanced

Mastery

Please give a brief description of your musical/audio background, training and experience (including private lessons):

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Please rate the following on a scale of 1 – 5 with five being the best:

Sight Reading Ability \_\_\_\_\_

Improvisational Skills \_\_\_\_\_

Ability to learn your part from a recording \_\_\_\_\_

Ability to learn your part from written music \_\_\_\_\_

What do you see as your primary strength as a musician?

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What do you see as your weaknesses?

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Note For Audio: there is more to mixing than just making sure levels don't peak. Audio engineering is an art. Our Mission is to bring people to a state of worship through an experience. Knowing when, where and how to use effects to achieve this is crucial.

Please rate the following on a scale of 1-5 with five being the best:

Mixing ability \_\_\_\_\_

Recording ability \_\_\_\_\_

EQ ability \_\_\_\_\_

Using effects \_\_\_\_\_

Why would you like to be a part of the worship/audio ministry at SPCC?

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Worship/Audio Ministry Expectations:

- A love for Jesus and a commitment to a growing relationship with Him.
- A lifestyle of personal integrity that is reflected on and off stage.
- Membership at SPCC is strongly encouraged. A minimum of six mos. regular attendance is needed before you may serve on the team.
- Supportive of church and ministry leadership.
- Attendance at rehearsals (on the weeks that you are scheduled to participate).
- Participation in gatherings/times of training of the worship ministry participants.
- Commitment to excellence (demonstrated by being on time, prepared, flexible, and giving your best for rehearsals and services).
- Fulfill your scheduled commitments and/or arrange for a sub.
- Timely communication with the worship ministry office (responding to emails, phone calls, etc.).
- Uplifting attitude when dealing with others.
- Commitment to at least one year of participation.

As best I know how, I will commit my mind, my heart and my will to be used by God through serving in the worship ministry at Smokey Point Community Church. I understand and agree with these expectations and am willing to be held accountable to the commitment I am making. I know failure to follow through could require temporary or permanent dismissal from my involvement.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# References

Note: One or more of the following references may be contacted.

## **Smokey Point Community Church Ministry / Pastor Contact:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

## **Additional Pastoral Reference: (optional)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Church \_\_\_\_\_

City/State \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

## **Personal References:**

### *Reference One:*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### *Reference Two:*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**DISCLOSURE and AUTHORIZATION – BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION**

In connection with my application for employment or to serve as a volunteer with **Smokey Point Community Church** ("Client"), I understand that a "consumer report" and/or "investigative consumer report", as defined by the Fair Credit Reporting Act (15 U.S.C. § 1681), will be requested by Client for employment or volunteer purposes, whichever is applicable, from Protect My Ministry, Inc., ("Protect My Ministry"), a consumer reporting agency as defined by the Fair Credit Reporting Act. These reports may include information as to my character, general reputation, personal characteristics or mode of living, whichever are applicable. They may involve interviews with sources such as my neighbors, friends or associates. The report may also contain information about me relating to my criminal history, credit history, driving and/or motor vehicle records, social security number verification, verification of education or employment history, worker's compensation (only after a conditional job offer) or other background checks. Such reports may be obtained at any time after receipt of this Disclosure and Authorization and if I am hired or serve as a volunteer, whichever is applicable, throughout the course of my employment or volunteer service, as permitted by law and unless revoked by me in writing. Client also reserves the right to share my report with any third-party with whom I will be placed to work or volunteer with as a representative of Client. I understand that I have the right, upon written request made within a reasonable amount time after the receipt of this notice, to request disclosure of the nature and scope of any investigative consumer report to Protect My Ministry, Inc., 14499 N. Dale Mabry Hwy., Suite 201 South, Tampa, FL 33618 or 1-800-319-5581. For information about Protect My Ministry's privacy practices, see [www.protectmyministry.com](http://www.protectmyministry.com).

**Acknowledgement and Authorization**

By signing below, I authorize Client or its authorized agents to obtain or prepare consumer reports or investigative consumer reports about me. I acknowledge receipt of a copy of *A Summary of Your Rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act* and certify that I have read this Disclosure and Authorization as well as the summary explaining my rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act.

**Residents of Washington State only:**

Under state law you have a right to request a copy of the Washington Fair Credit Reporting Act's disclosure to consumers (RCW 19.182.070) and a copy of your report by contacting Protect My Ministry directly.

\_\_\_\_\_ TODAY'S DATE \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

LAST NAME \_\_\_\_\_ FIRST NAME \_\_\_\_\_ MIDDLE NAME/INITIAL \_\_\_\_\_

HOME ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

SSN \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

For identification purposes only, please provide FULL DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Please List Other Names Used / Maiden Name \_\_\_\_\_

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