



2023-2024 Application

FIRST NAME:

LAST NAME:

EMAIL ADDRESS:

PHONE NUMBER:

DATE OF BIRTH:

ADDRESS:

CITIZENSHIP:

NATIONALITY:

The information you provide on this application is confidential and only seen by those necessary for the application and interview process, please answer truthfully. If you are uncomfortable with answering some questions, please leave them blank, and we may ask them during your interview.

Please provide contact information for your references. We will contact them via email/phone to complete a reference for you.

SPIRITUAL LEADER

This should be someone who has a level of authority in your life. For example, Pastor, Youth Pastor, Employer, Supervisor, Teacher, or Coach.

The reference(s) we contact on your behalf should know you well and must meet these requirements:

- Have known you for at least 9 months
- Not be related to you by birth or marriage
- Not be someone you are dating

First Name:

Last Name:

Email Address:

Relationship to you:

Length of Relationship:

Contact Phone:

PERSONAL REFERENCE

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Last Name:

Email Address:

Relationship to you:

Length of Relationship:

Contact Phone:

(PLEASE CIRCLE 'YES' or 'NO')

Are you related to ANY of these references by birth or marriage? Yes / No

Are you in a dating relationship with ANY of these references? Yes / No

What is your highest level of education? _____

What was your main field of study? _____

In the past, have you attended another ministry school, seminary college, or
discipleship training school? (If Yes, please list below) Yes / No

FINANCES

In an effort to give an early payment discount, students can pay for tuition in full upfront. Finances and payment options will be discussed during your interview.

EMPLOYMENT

Are you currently employed? Yes / No

Current Position: _____

How long have you worked at your current job? _____

FAMILY

Current Marital Status: _____

Have you ever been separated or divorced? Yes / No

Please provide an explanation of each marriage and separation and/or divorce.

Do you have any children? Yes / No

Do you have a relative who will be attending ESSM at the same time? Yes / No

What are the names of all family members applying to ESSM with you?

PHYSICAL/MENTAL HEALTH

Do you have any current physical or mental health diagnoses?

(If yes, please list and describe below) Yes / No

Have you received treatment for diagnosed or undiagnosed physical, emotional or mental health conditions in the last 12 months?

(If yes, please list them)

Yes / No

Please list any medications used for the above conditions and when they were last used. *(If you take/have taken any medication and are not comfortable recording it on your application, please make a note of this here and we will ask you about it in the interview.)*

Do you have any physical, emotional, or mental accommodations you may need while attending ESSM? *(i.e. any self-diagnosed conditions, anxiety, phobias, etc)*

(If yes, please explain)

Yes / No

Have you exhibited any self-harm behaviors or habitual problems within the last 24 months? *(i.e. eating disorder, cutting, suicidal ideation, suicidal attempts, compulsive lying, etc.)*

(If yes, please explain)

Yes / No

EMERGENCY CONTACT

Please enter your next of kin or nominated emergency contact.

First Name:

Last Name:

Email Address:

Relationship to you:

Physical Address:

Contact Phone:

REVIVALIST LIFESTYLE

"A revivalist is a believer who is focused and passionate, willing to pay the price to live in community, with purity and Holy Ghost power".

We are asking you to "pay the price" of transparency and trust as you answer the following personal questions. With no intent to highlight sin, as we know believers are forgiven and are new creations in Christ. It is helpful for you to seriously consider the expectations in order to assess if you will thrive at ESSM. We have a core value of being absolutely transparent and to protect that, what you share is confidential and only seen by those necessary for the application and interview process.

The freedom of the ESSM environment functions best at a high level of self-control and works best when this sort of self-management is already being demonstrated before you come as we are not a recovery or a discipleship school. If you are still trying to figure out your commitment to Christ or to personal holiness and wholeness, we are not the school for you. If this is the case, God has a different assignment for you at this stage of your life, and we encourage your journey in another program.

Please read the following excerpt from our "Revivalist Lifestyle" statement (attached at the end of this packet) concerning our expectations to determine if you should continue in your application to ESSM.

If you are in agreement with our expectations, then continue to fill out the application below. We have found that honest answers to these questions are mutually helpful in deciding if ESSM is a fit for you at this time and leads to a more effective application interview. Having had setbacks or struggles in these areas does not automatically disqualify you from being accepted as a student. But it does help qualify decisions.

I verify I have read and agree to follow the principles in the ESSM Revivalist Lifestyle during my time at ESSM. *

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Have you used tobacco within the last 12 months?
(Including chewing tobacco, cigarettes, cigars, pipes, or vape) Yes / No

Have you excessively consumed or abused alcoholic beverages within the last 12 months? (Drunk, buzzed, passed out, or using it to numb or escape) Yes / No

Have you used marijuana or illegal drugs in the last two years? Yes / No

Are you using or have you used pornography in the last 12 months? Yes / No

If unmarried, are you sexually active now, or have been in the last 12 months? Yes / No

If married, have you been sexually active with anyone other than your spouse in the last two years? Yes / No

Do you question your gender identity? (i.e. you have wondered if your gender identity is different from your birth biological identity.) Yes / No

Do you have same-sex attraction? Yes / No

Have you engaged in same-sex behavior in the last two years? Yes / No

Do you have a criminal conviction for violent crimes or a sexual offense (registered sex offender) if so, what is the charge? Yes / No

Have you ever been involved in the occult, witchcraft, or cults? Yes / No

SPIRITUAL HISTORY

What is your main Church or Religious (denominational) background?

Do you have a home church that you attend regularly? Yes / No

How long have you attended your church? (Include your involvement)

Church Name:

Have you recently left another church?

Yes / No

Was it a good transition, are there unresolved issues?

ESSM & YOU

How did you hear about ESSM?

Briefly explain why you want to attend ESSM.

What are you passionate about?

Have you been exposed to any teaching material or resources from Bethel Church of Redding? *(i.e. teaching by Bill Johnson, Kris Vallotton, or other Bethel leaders)*

Yes / No

If yes, please list them:

Do you play any instruments, or have you been involved in Worship?

We'd love to hear about how you got saved!

Tell us how old you were when you met the Lord and what He's done in your life:

REVIVALIST LIFESTYLE

“A revivalist is a believer who is focused and passionate, willing to pay any price to live in community, purity, and power, transforming lives and cultures because they are loved by God and love Him. Our mission at ESSM is to develop the revivalist within you.”

LEARNING FROM THE OUTSIDE IN

We aim to establish a healthy lifestyle and culture within you. The following is a practical expression of choices and behaviors that flow from your core mission of becoming a revivalist. We have found them very helpful in creating an atmosphere that advances the Kingdom. These are the characteristics of a revivalist:

Believer

We expect you to grow in the truth, come to love it, deeply enjoy its value to save and transform, and ultimately, to radically live it.

Focused

Peter McWilliams truthfully states, “You can have anything you want, but you can’t have everything you want.” Focus is key in accomplishing all that God has called you to become.

Passion

When we are passionate about something, our whole being is engaged. As you love Him with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength, you will tap into His passion for yourself, His Church, and the lost.

Willing to Pay Any Price

ESSM is not just a “Sunday through Wednesday” school. Rather it’s a nine-month training center, and it costs far more than money to attend here. We are dedicated to raising up the ones who are willing to pay this price.

Community

We are not our own; we have been bought with a price and placed in a family, and our behavior deeply affects others. Community is one of God’s most powerful tools for changing us into His likeness.

Purity

The Lord asks us to walk in purity because it is life-giving. ESSM’s environment of freedom requires a high level of connection to God and community along with self-management.

Power

The Good News without power is not good news. Paul was glad that his preaching was not with persuasive words but in “demonstrations of power” (1 Cor. 2). One of our goals is that every student would know how to cast out demons, heal the sick, and preach the Gospel.

Loved by Him

We work from love, not for love. Let the primary focus of your life be to fall more in love with Jesus with each passing day.

Transforms Lives & Cultures

Jesus has called us to go into the nations and be the salt and the light of the world. Learn to reproduce yourself by “teaching [others] to obey everything Jesus Christ has commanded us” (Matt. 28). Like Paul says, “Follow my example as I follow the example of Christ.”