

THE COURAGEOUS LEADERSHIP AWARD

HONORING CHURCHES IMPACTING THE AIDS PANDEMIC

AIDS

Courageous Leadership Award Application 2009 Front-line Church

By taking the time to fill out and submit this application, your church will not only be considered for The Courageous Leadership Award, but your story also will serve to educate and inspire other church leaders to get actively engaged in responding to the AIDS pandemic.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Name of church _____

Address _____

City _____ Postal Code _____

Country _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

Senior Pastor _____

Key contact (if not the senior pastor) _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Website (if you have one) _____

CHURCH INFORMATION

Denomination _____

Date church was founded _____

Total church membership _____

Weekend service attendance _____

Annual operational budget _____

DETAILS ABOUT THE AIDS INITIATIVE

1. To what geographic location/locations are you directing your AIDS efforts?

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- How broad is your initiative in the area around your church? What is the range?

- Are you assisting only people affected in your church or is your initiative serving a broad community?

2. How long have you been involved in this initiative?

3. Who is your initiative impacting most? (widows, orphans, infected persons, caregivers, other)

4. What are the specific needs you are addressing and how? (If not involved in a specific area, please leave blank)

Prevention – To empower, educate and equip people to stop the spread of HIV and AIDS

- Have you seen a change in behavior as a result of your work?

- Are you addressing cultural issues/teaching a biblical, relevant lifestyle?

RESOURCES ALLOCATED

1. How much money from your operational budget is allocated directly to your AIDS initiative?

2. Are there additional resources directed by the church to the initiative either through child sponsorships, fund-raising efforts, special offerings, etc.

3. Other resources directed to the initiative (gifts in kind, caregiver resources, etc.) **Note:** Please do not include anything in this figure that was already reported above.

4. What "people" resources have you committed to your initiative?

INVOLVEMENT/ENGAGEMENT OF THE CONGREGATION AND/OR COMMUNITY

1. To what extent is the congregation engaged in your AIDS initiative? Please be specific.

2. What does your church do to educate and cast vision to the congregation and/or your community regarding HIV/AIDS?

3. If we interviewed people in your community, what would they say about your church and your AIDS efforts?

4. Do your ministry efforts involve your community in any way? If yes, please explain.

5. What partnerships do you have with government, NGO, rural council, or other local churches?

SUSTAINABILITY

1. Is your initiative/model replicable by those living in the affected areas? (Explain how)

2. Are the vision and efforts owned by more than a few within the congregation? (Explain how)

3. Is the initiative addressing the “root” causes of HIV/AIDS (versus providing temporary relief)?

4. Would the initiative continue if you stopped providing your resources? Is longevity insured? If so, what evidence do you have of that?

5. Are the vision and efforts owned by those the ministry is attempting to assist?

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Feel free to write a short narrative in the space available if there is additional information you want the committee to consider.

What would you do with the award money if your church received it?

I verify that all of the information contained in this application is accurate and true, to the best of my knowledge.

Signature

Position in the church

You may also choose to include: (optional)

- Photographs
- A short video (no more than 5 minutes)
- Brochures of printed information

Note: Please keep duplicates of all materials you send, as we will not be able to return anything to you.

Instructions for submitting application:

- Please submit your completed application with all attachments by email or in one package by mail.
Must be emailed or postmarked no later than April 1, 2009.
- Please do NOT bind your presentation, as it makes it difficult to duplicate.
- Please submit your entry to:

**The Courageous Leadership Award
Attention: Lisa Hartman
Willow Creek Association
PO Box 3188
South Barrington, IL 60011-3188**

OR

Email to: applyCLA@willowcreek.com

Process:

- All applications will be reviewed by a Working Committee, including key staff members of World Vision and Willow Creek Association. Final award winners will be chosen by a Recommending Committee to include board members of World Vision and Willow Creek Association as well as outside experts in the field of HIV and AIDS.
- All entries chosen to be in the top 15 will be verified and a site visit may be required.
- All entries will be notified of their status by July 1, 2009. Please do not call or write to make inquiries before that time.

The deadline for submitting your completed application is April 1, 2009.