

Master Guide



I. Prerequisites:

- A. Be at least 16 years of age.
- B. Be a baptized member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church
- C. Complete a 10-hour basic staff-training course in one of the following:
 1. Adventurer Ministries
 2. Pathfinder Ministries
 3. Youth Emergency Services
 4. Teen / Young adult ministries

II. Spiritual Development

- A. Read the book *Steps to Christ*.
 - B. Complete the devotional guide Encounter Series I, *Christ the Way*.
 - C. Keep a devotional journal for at least four weeks, summarizing what you read each day.
 - D. Demonstrate your knowledge of the 27 Fundamental Beliefs by completing one of the following:
 1. Write a paper explaining each belief
 2. Give an oral presentation on each belief
 3. Give a series of Bible studies explaining each belief
 4. Conduct a seminar, teaching each belief.
 - E. Enhance your knowledge of church heritage by:
 1. Reading *The Pathfinder Story* by John Hancock
 2. Earning the Pathfinder Church Heritage Award
 3. Reading a book about church heritage such as:
 - *Anticipating the Advent* by George Knight (a brief history of Seventh-day Adventists)
 - *Tell It to the World* by Mervyn Maxwell (the story of Seventh-day Adventists)
 - *Lightbearers to the Remnant* (denominational history college textbook)
- Books are available from the ABC or AdventSource.

III. Skills Development

- A. Supervise a participant(s) through either the Adventurer class curriculum **OR** AY class curriculum.
- B. Have or earn the following AY honors
 - 1. Christian Storytelling
 - 2. Camping Skills I
- C. Earn 2 additional AY honors not previously earned.
- D. Have a current first aid certificate
- E. Attend and complete a 2-hour seminar in each of the following areas:
 - 1. Leadership Skills
 - 2. Communication Skills
 - 3. Creativity and resource development
 - 4. Children and youth evangelism

IV. Child Development

- A. Read the book *Education*
- B. Read either the book *Child Guidance* **OR** *Messages to Young People*
- C. Read a book **OR** attend a 3-hour seminar dealing with child development about the age group of your ministry

V. Leadership Development

- A. Read the book *Leadership is an Art* by Max dePreez, **OR** a current leadership book of your choice.
- B. Demonstrate your leadership by doing all of the following:
 - 1. Develop and conduct three worships.
 - 2. Participate in your local church children's/youth group in a conference-sponsored event.
 - 3. Teach three Adventurer awards **OR** two AY honors
 - 4. Assist in planning and leading an Adventurer, Pathfinder, or Sabbath School field trip.
 - 5. Be an active Adventurer, Pathfinder, YES, or AY staff member for at least one year, and attend 75% of the staff meetings.
- C. Write goals in which you would like to accomplish in your ministry.
- D. Identify three current roles in your life, one of which is spiritually oriented, and list three goals for each.

VI. Fitness Lifestyle Development

- A. Participate in a personal fitness plan for three months, and evaluate and show improvement (recommended: the Cooper Aerobic program or its equivalent).