

# Application for Admission

## Admission Information

**Retreat One:** February 24 - 27, 2026 Santa Barbara, CA

**Retreat Two:** November 10 - 13, 2026, Mexico City

Next Frontiers is financed by the Lilly Foundation and Westmont College. We ask each participant for a contribution of \$500 towards the costs of the program (which are approximately \$6,000 per participant) in order to build some financial cushion and ensure the long term viability of the program.

This program has shared room accommodations (same gender identity). In Santa Barbara, accommodations will be two people per room in a hotel. In Mexico City, all participants will be in a mixture of dormitory style and Airbnb accommodations (both shared).

## Personal Information

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Last Name (Legal)

First

Middle

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Other Names

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Birth Date (MM/DD/YY)

Sex (Male/Female)

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Street Address

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City

State

Zip Code

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Home Phone

Evening Phone

Cell Phone

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Email

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Place of Birth

Religion

Marital Status

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Emergency Contact

Relationship

## Educational History

Highest Earned Academic Degree:

Outline your Educational Background after High School:

## Pastoral History

Briefly Describe Your Primary History and Responsibilities in Church Ministry:

## Spiritual Journey and Interest in Next Frontiers Program

1. How has the Trinity encountered you more recently in your own faith-journey?

2. What attracts you to this program and what would you value receiving from it?

3. How does this program connect with your present experience of personal and vocational transition?

4. How would you envisage this program enriching your future personal and pastoral ministry?

5. In what way/s have you experienced vocational disappointment and failure?

6. What do you think is keeping you from living more fully and deeply in your life as pastor?

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7. Describe briefly your prayer life and spiritual practices.

8. Describe your fondest hope for how you hope to benefit from and pass on the experiences of this program.

## Letters of Reference

Included in this packet are two forms requesting letters of recommendation. One of these should be filled out by your Supervising Pastor or if you don't have one, by a Spiritual Director or other person qualified to assess your spiritual commitment, maturity and motivation and, the other one by someone who knows you on a personal level (not a family member).

I waive my right to review the letter  
of recommendation.

I do not waive my right to review the letter  
of recommendation.

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Applicant's Signature

Date