



Volunteer Application*

You may mail completed application to:

Historic Faith Ministry, PO Box 1843, Manassas, Virginia, 20110

Name: _____

Phone: (home) _____ (cell) _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Names and ages of other participating family members:

I am interested in partnering in the following areas (check all that apply):

- ☐ Prayer intercession
- ☐ Financial contribution**
- ☐ Costumed Living History Interpretation. This includes but not limited to: musician and/or vocalist (or vocal group) for sacred music, 1st and 3rd person impressions in a public venue, colporteur (hand out gospel tracts, listings of day's events), hospitality minister (distribute water bottles, candies, etc.), guide.
- ☐ Offer lodging for out of town ministry "impressionists"
- ☐ Photographer or videographer for media outreach and training
- ☐ Web designer and/or graphic designer producing signs and other material
- ☐ Seamstress, woodworker, or other craftsman to help equip volunteers
- ☐ Historic researcher and/or lecturer
- ☐ Writer - press articles, program literature, period appropriate conversations
- ☐ Cook for after-church picnics, coffees, or teas (as seasonably appropriate)
- ☐ I have another idea on something I could do to help that was not on the list

* some activities may require an additional Prince William County Volunteer Application

**make checks payable to Church of the Holy Spirit with "Historic Faith Ministries" in the memo line

Prince William County “Civil War” Gospel Outreach

Brentsville Courthouse Historic Center and Battle of 1st Manassas Sesquicentennial

Remember the days of old; consider the generations long past. Ask your father and he will tell you, your elders, and they will explain to you. Deuteronomy 32:7

Next year marks the Sesquicentennial (150th Anniversary) of the Battle of First Manassas also known in the North as the First Battle of Bull Run. Prince William County has budgeted \$500,000 to promote tourism, expand historic programs, and sponsor a re-enactment of the Battle. The county expects approximately 70,000 visitors (many from other countries) for the re-enactment and thousands of other visitors including over 600 bus tours throughout the year.

In support of next year's activities, the county's Historic Preservation Division has asked Historic Faith Ministries (<http://historicfaith.net>) to organize faith-based programs as part of the activities over the year. These will include worship services at the battle re-enactment and historic worship services at the county-owned Union Church in Brentsville, Virginia.

Historic Faith Ministries, which has devoted itself to living history outreach since 2002, is partnering with local churches and other ministries, such as the US Christian Commission (<http://usccgettysburg.org/>), to raise, train, and equip a cadre of volunteers in an effort to fully realize the opportunity that this outreach presents.

Our national history has been that of a Christian nation from its origin. While the current move of historic revisionism has largely removed the pervasive religious elements of our history from public education, the Civil War Sesquicentennial presents an extended opportunity to present the essentials of historic Christian faith, including the essentials of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, in a compelling and creative manner to people who would not normally hear it.

This outreach represents an opportunity for local churches and individuals to quickly prepare for and engage in evangelism while examining more closely the roots of what they believe. For our nation, this outreach becomes an opportunity to remember the desires of our country's founders for the spread of the Gospel, such as those expressed in the opening words of the 1620 Mayflower Compact:

“IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN. We, the undersigned, the Loyal Subjects of our dread sovereign Lord, King James, by the grace of God, of Great Britian, France, and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, &C. Having undertaken for the Glory of God and the Advancement of the Christian Faith, and the Honour of our King and Country, a Voyage to plant the First Colony in the northern Parts of Virginia...”

Please keep this opportunity to present the Gospel and potentially bring in the harvest for the glory of Jesus Christ in prayer. If you wish to join us, please fill out and return the volunteer form on the reverse side of this paper. You may also contact us at joanne@historicfaith.net. Thank you and Peace Be with You.