

## ***RULES FOR ALL PRE-CONVENTION EVENTS***

1. **All items must be postmarked no later than the Pre Convention Deadline.**
2. **Each submission must be mailed to the appropriate Event Director.** Church Number and Team Numbers need to be included on submissions, if available prior to mailing. See Cover Page (last page of this section).
3. A 3-point deduction is allowed for failure to provide complete submission information as instructed.
4. In a team event a participant may move up to a higher grade division, but an older participant may not move down to a lower grade division. Each team in each event will participate at the grade division of the highest grade member. All team events will consist of more than one person.
5. Each individual award winner and each member of a winning team will receive an engraved plate for his/her participant's plaque.
6. Judge's score sheets and Awards will be placed in congregational packets to be picked up by the Church Coordinator at the end of convention.
7. Participants must be registered in their respective events and send in the registration fee to Registration on or before the Registration Deadline, whether they will be attending the CTLTC Convention or not in attendance. Do NOT send checks to event directors.
8. Church Coordinators will have until two weeks after the convention to apply for awards, corrections or updates. Any awards needed after this deadline will have to be secured by the Church Coordinator from a local business.
9. Copyrighted material received as an entry will not be judged. It will not be accepted for any event and will be returned to the sender.
10. A list of Pre-Convention Event Directors and information will be available on the CTLTC website (<http://www.clttc.net/>).

Brenda Slatton, Pre-Convention Coordinator (current information listed @ <http://www.clttc.net/>)

## VIDEO MINUTE MESSAGE RULES

**PURPOSE:** To help young people communicate their faith and beliefs through a powerful medium in today's world. The participant will create and present on VHS video cassette a video message which can be used to reach out to the community with a message from Christ in a format and style representative of today's world. Entries should present a clear message that visually represents the current year's theme.

**PROCESS:** Each participant shall:

- Read and follow Rules for All Pre-Convention Events on Page 35 of manual.
- Create a visual message based on the current year's CTLTC theme
- Record the video thought on a VHS video cassette or DVD
- Produce one tape without active adult involvement (advice is acceptable)

The Church Coordinator shall:

- Determine that each participant is registered for only one video minute message team
- Determine that each video minute message team size is a minimum of one participant and a maximum of ten (10) participants. (Participants may move up, but not down in age group classification).
- Determine that each team has selected the proper format (single source or multi source).
- Properly register each video minute message team with the correct information.
- Mail the tape with the proper, typed documentation information and team list to the Event Director on or before the Mail-in Deadline.
- Send a self-addressed, stamped postcard if you wish to receive confirmation of receipt.

The Event Director shall:

- Send confirmation of receipt of video tapes if requested.
- Organize the tapes for judging.
- Provide critique sheet for each entry.
- Report results to the Awards Committee.

**Video Minute Message will be divided into two categories: Single Source and Multi Source.**

- **Single Source** tapes will be created without using outside material (video clips, adult voices, news stories, etc., will NOT be allowed).
- **Multi Source tapes will be created with the use of outside material (video clips, adult voices, news stories, etc. WILL be allowed). The proper CCLI and CVLI licenses must be included in all documentation. Adult and/or adult voices are allowable in multi source tapes if their involvement is deemed a natural part of the story. Adults may not become part of the production process.**

### **RULES:**

1. Each tape shall not be shorter than 15 seconds or longer than 60 seconds. Tapes under or over the time limit will be penalized three points for each five seconds (or fraction thereof) above or below the limit, for a maximum of 15 points.
2. Background music, special effects, computer-effects, live-action are permissible for both single source and multi source tapes.

3. An unlimited number of teams and/or participants from each congregation are allowed per grade level with a maximum of ten (10) students per team. Each team may submit only one entry, and a participant may only be on one team.
4. There are three grade divisions in this event:

Grades 3-6, 7-9, 10-12

**SUBMISSION OF TAPES:**

1. Submit only one Video Minute Message per video tape and one typed documentation per envelope.
2. Typed documentation for each video message tape submitted shall include:
  - a. Typed cover sheet in this format (see Cover Sheet on last page of this section):
 

Format:	Example:
Congregation	Anywhere Church of Christ
Congregation No.	101
Team No.	1234
Team's Grade Division:	7-9 Grade
Each Participant's Name	A. Christian
Each Participant's Grade	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Group Leader	B. Saved
Congregation Address	1234 Church Street
City, State, Zip	Any City, State 00000
Congregation Phone No.	512-555-1212
Title of Composition	"YOUR TITLE HERE"
  - b. Typed script of the video message on a separate sheet of paper
3. Label each tape with the Congregation, Congregation No., Team No., and Team's Grade Division. Due to the growing interest in this event, and the number of tapes submitted.

**AWARDS:**

Ratings and awards will be given to those who score 75 points or better.

Gold -- 95-100 points,      Silver -- 85-94 points,      Bronze -- 75-84 points

**JUDGING CRITERIA:**

**Production (65 Pts)**

- \_\_\_ (10 pts) Adherence to current year's theme
- \_\_\_ (25 pts) Creativity (use of elements to focus on theme)
- \_\_\_ (20 pts) Special Effects (computer-generated; natural)
- \_\_\_ (10 pts) Editing (final product of shots, sounds and sights)

**Presentation (35 pts)**

- \_\_\_ ( 5 pts) Script (do your choice of words reflect theme?)
- \_\_\_ (10 pts) Sound (balance between dialogue and effects)
- \_\_\_ (10 pts) Timing (did you stay within your one minute?)
- \_\_\_ (10 pts) Comfort (cast interaction or presence on camera)

(3 pt Deduction) **Format/Submission:** A 3 point deduction will be made should the participant not have followed instructions for formatting and submitting the entry.

\_\_\_ (100 pts) **TOTAL**