

Alabama Challenge Team

The Alabama Challenge Team is made up of Acteens or teen girls who live
Colossians 3 from *The Message*.

“So if you’re serious about living this new resurrection life with Christ, act like it. Pursue the things over which Christ presides. Don’t shuffle along, eyes to the ground, absorbed with things right in front of you. Look up, and be alert to what is going on around Christ—that’s where the action is.” Colossians 3, The Message

Alabama Challenge Team members will exemplify Christ as they represent Alabama Acteens and Girls’ Ministry for our state by:

1. Participating in the planning and leading of *COMPLETE.... For girls grades 7-12* according to their individual gifts. Team members will be required to attend *COMPLETE* and must provide their own transportation; housing and food expenses will be provided by Alabama WMU.
2. Sharing their testimony verbally and/or in written form.
3. Writing an article for “Panorama”, the Alabama WMU newsletter.
4. Helping to strengthen and encourage Acteens or Girls Ministry groups by visiting and sharing with them personal experiences from their Christian walk. Team members must be willing to visit at least three Acteens or Girls Ministry groups or associational events as their schedule allows.
5. Representing Alabama WMU, Acteens, or Girls’ Ministry at other events as requested and as schedule will allow.

Alabama Acteens Advisors or Adult Leaders will be asked to support their Alabama Challenge Team member by:

1. Providing her with Christ like love, support and encouragement.
2. Assisting her in setting up speaking engagements.
3. Helping her prepare for speaking engagements and/or church/association events.

All Challenge Team members will be eligible for a missions involvement scholarship for up to \$150.00 during their year of service.

To Apply, Girls:

1. Must be entering the tenth grade or above, or be 15 years old by September 1st.
2. Must be a member of a local Acteens™ organization OR Girls’ Ministry group and an active member of a Southern Baptist Church in Alabama.
3. Must complete application and write paragraphs describing (please type paragraphs):
 - A) “How I Became A Christian and How I Have Grown as a Christian During the Past Year”
 - B) “Why Acteens or Girls’ Ministry is Important to Me” (if applicable)
 - C) “Why I Want to Serve on the Alabama Challenge Team.”
 - D) “An idea for a conference to be offered at *COMPLETE*.”
4. Must agree to serve from September 1st to August 31st. Team members may participate in *COMPLETE* programming as well as other Acteens™ promotion and/or state sponsored events.
5. **Must have completed application to Alabama WMU no later than the first Monday of June.** Applications must include **most recent and clearest passport size photo**, parent’s signature, Acteens or Girls’ Ministry Advisor/Director’s signature, and requested paragraphs.

Only fully completed applications will be considered.

APPLICATION FORM

Please **PRINT IN BLACK INK OR TYPE** the following information:

Name _____ Grade in School _____

Age _____ Birthday _____ Telephone (_____) _____

Address _____

Street or P.O. Box

City

State

Zip

Email address _____ @ _____

Parent's Name _____

Are you a Christian? _____ Are you a church member? _____ If so, give church and association name below.

Church _____ Association _____

****Are you an Acteen? _____ If yes, please answer the following questions:**

How long have you been a member of Acteens™? _____ How often do you attend meetings? _____

Check the MissionsQuest™ levels you have achieved or are working on:

_____ Confidence _____ Creativity _____ Excellence
_____ Courage _____ Character _____ Vision

I am not currently working on a Quest, but will begin sometime this year. ____ Yes ____ No

I am currently working on Studiact level _____ Completed level _____

If you are selected, can you serve from September 1st to August 31st? Yes No

In what Acteens™ activities, besides regular meetings, have you participated recently? (Church, Association, or State)

If you could change anything about Acteens™, what would you change? _____

What would you like to see Alabama Acteens™ as a state organization do? _____

If you are not a member of Acteens, in what church/youth group activities have you participated in recently? _____

In what community and school activities do you participate regularly? _____

Name leadership roles you have had other than Acteen or Girls' Ministry. (Church, School, Community) _____

Place a clear/color/
recent photo here.
This photo will be
used in printed
material as well as
media. It needs to be
the best quality
possible. NO
snapshots please.

List some hobbies and things you do well (For example, specific sports, working with children, making posters, musical endeavors).

Give the name and complete mailing address of your Pastor and Acteens™ Advisor/ Female Adult Leader.

Pastor _____ Phone _(_____)_____

Address _____
City State Zip Code

Acteens/Female Adult Advisor _____ Phone _(_____)_____

Address _____
City State Zip Code

If Pastor or Advisor is a relative, please give alternate reference.

Name _____ Phone (_____)_____

Address _____
City State Zip Code

Sign the following statement that applies to you:

Statement of acknowledgment by Acteens member:

I am aware of these expectations: I am an active Acteen and am a daily example of Christian standards and morals, active in church, associational, and state activities. I intend to remain active in Acteens throughout my year of service. I will promise to be dependable and cooperative. I will commit myself to a deeper understanding of, and involvement in, Christian missions. I am a sophomore, junior or senior in high school as of September 1st.

Signature of Acteen _____ Date _____

Statement of acknowledgment by Girls' Ministry Member:

"I am aware of these expectations: I am an active member of the Girls' Ministry at my church and am a daily example of Christian standards and morals, active in my church, associational, and state activities. I intend to remain active in Girls' Ministry throughout my year of service. I will promise to be dependable and cooperative. I will commit myself to a deeper understanding of, and involvement in, Christian missions. I am a sophomore, junior, or senior in high school as of September 1st."

Signature of Girls' Ministry Member _____ Date _____

Statement of acknowledgment by Parent:

I am aware that my daughter has applied for Alabama Challenge Team. I am aware of the state activities in which she will be required to participate if selected. I give my permission for her participation in these activities and pledge my support of her.

Signature of Parent _____ Date _____

Acteens™ Advisor or Girls Ministry Leader _____ Date _____

Mail application to: Alabama WMU, Alabama Challenge Team
P.O. Box 11870, Montgomery, AL 36111-0870.
Questions may be directed to the Alabama WMU Office at (334)288-2460 ext 226 or 1-800-264-1225 ext 226
www.alabamawmu.org