



# Summer Day Camp Counselor Application

## Camp Piedras Vivas

Piedras Vivas is a ministry of Respond to Christ  
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**Piedras Vivas means Living Stones in Spanish. It comes from the following verse.**

*“As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.”*  
1 Peter 2:4-5, NKJV

**POSITION:** Summer Day Camp Counselor (4-6 positions)

**About Respond to Christ Ministries** Our overall response to the Lord's call in the Dominican Republic is to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ, strengthen the local church, disciple new and young believers, and raise up local children to be a strong generation of future leaders for the Church and the community. Respond to Christ operates two main ministries in the D.R. The **Piedras Vivas Club** is a before and after school, and summer camp youth outreach program with the purpose of raising up the next generation of youth leaders who live in the bateys and neighborhoods along the north coast closest to Cangrejo, a small coastal village located between Sosua and Puerto Plata. **Living Stones Discipleship** is a three-month, missions-based discipleship program for North American English-speaking young adults that exposes students to a variety of missions and foreign ministries while also challenging them to grow in their personal commitment to Jesus Christ.

### Qualifications:

- Commit to eight weeks to live and work in the Dominican Republic under the supervision and leadership of Respond to Christ. **DATES: May 29 – July 26, 2013**
- Strong personal conviction and dedication to live as a disciple of Jesus Christ.
- Unquestioned integrity and commitment to the goals, mission, and leadership of Respond to Christ.
- Deep conviction, understanding and acceptance of The Gospel of Jesus Christ.
- Strong desire to provide opportunities for spiritual, educational, social, and community advancement for impoverished children.
- **Proficiency in Spanish is preferable, but not required.**
- 18 years of age or older

### Reports to:

Executive Director of Respond to Christ Ministries.

### Job Responsibilities:

- Represent the light of The Gospel of Jesus Christ.
- Develop and run various summer day-camp programs for native Spanish speaking youth within these potential “centers” or categories:
  - Sports & Recreation
  - Bible
  - Arts & Crafts
  - English as a Second Language
- Encourage participants to accept God's gift of salvation and to help them grow in their faith.
- Other duties as assigned by the Executive Director of Respond to Christ.

### Compensation

- This position requires the person to raise their own support in the #4127-LivingStones account through Shepherd's Staff Missions Facilitators Incorporated, Respond to Christ's accounting and financial support partner. [www.ssmfi.org](http://www.ssmfi.org)
- International travel and health insurance must be covered separately by individual (although some options may be available through Shepherd's Staff).
- Individual will raise \$2,200 for the 8<sup>th</sup> weeks commitment (includes ground transportation, food, lodging). This amount does NOT include travel to/from the Dominican Republic.

# Application Process Instructions

**1. APPLICATION - Please complete and send in the following postmarked no later than February 15th:**

- Signed and Dated Application
- 3 Sealed References (two general non-relative, one pastoral)

Send application & references to:  
**Respond to Christ Ministries**  
**Attn: Camp Piedras Vivas**  
3170 Airmans Drive  
#3015-RESDR  
Fort Pierce, FL 34946

**2. INTERVIEW** - Upon receipt of your application, along with all references, and it has been approved, we will schedule a Skype-based interview with you.

**3. ACCEPTANCE NOTIFICATION** - After the interview, the leadership of Respond to Christ will contact you regarding your acceptance. You will also be sent a commitment to serve agreement that we will need signed and returned.

**4. FINAL PREPARATION** - Upon acceptance and the return receipt of the agreement you will then receive a Pre-Field Preparation Packet outlining the steps to prepare for the summer.

**\*NOTE:** All support MUST be raised prior to arrival in the Dominican Republic

## Questions

If you have any questions about the application process, please do not hesitate to contact us at [info@livingstonesdiscipleship.org](mailto:info@livingstonesdiscipleship.org) – 423-402-9512. - **Keep this paper for your records.**



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**PLEASE FILL THIS APPLICATION OUT IN ITS ENTIRETY**

<b>Office Use Only</b>
Date Recv'd: _____
Date Reviewed: _____
Date Processed: _____

## Application Information

Please be sure to submit this application with the following information in one envelope no later than February 15:

- This signed application (keep a photocopy for your records)
- 3 Sealed References (two general, one pastoral – see attached)

**Mail to: Respond to Christ Ministries**  
 Attn: Camp Piedras Vivas  
 3170 Airmans Drive  
 #3015-RESDR  
 Fort Pierce, FL 34946

**PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE**

## Applicant Basic Information

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel. #: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy): \_\_\_\_\_ Skype Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a passport?  Yes  No If yes, passport #: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Education & Work

Occupation (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

<i>Employment (most recent 1st):</i>	<i>Dates of Employment:</i>	<i>Duties:</i>	<i>Reason for leaving:</i>
_____	_____	_____	_____

<i>Education Institution (most recent 1<sup>st</sup>):</i>	<i>Dates of Attendance:</i>	<i>Graduation Date:</i>	<i>Degree (if applicable):</i>
_____	_____	_____	_____

### Church Information

Home Church Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Pastor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Church Tel. #: \_\_\_\_\_ Website: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been attending: \_\_\_\_\_ Ministries You Are Involved In: \_\_\_\_\_

## Personal Information

1. Are you willing to submit to the authority and leadership of Respond to Christ during the summer program? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Assuming English is your first language, what other languages have you studied (if any)?  
*(Include fluency level)*
3. List any former missions and/or cross-cultural/international travel experience (most recent first):  
*(include type of experience, length of time, approximate dates [month and year], and a short description of your involvement)*
4. Have you ever been arrested or had legal problems?  Yes  No  
*If yes, please briefly explain below (include dates)*
5. What is your experience working with or supervising children?  
*(include type of experience, length of time, approximate dates [month and year], and a short description of your involvement)*
6. Name one person who inspires you: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Describe why:*
7. What is one of your biggest goals you wish to accomplish in the next five years?
8. Why do you want to spend the summer in the Dominican Republic with Respond to Christ?

## Information about Your Faith

*On a separate piece of paper, please answer the following questions:*

9. Tell us about your Christian testimony:
10. Describe what it means to be a disciple of Jesus:

## Applicant Agreement

*By signing below, I acknowledge that my application for a short-term missions position under Respond to Christ Ministries is true and complete to my best knowledge, and I understand that all information contained in this application will be held in strict confidence.*

*I understand that Respond to Christ Ministries is providing me with the opportunity to serve as a counselor cross culturally in the context of a Christian, summer day-camp in the Dominican Republic. Because of this, Respond to Christ reserves the right to send me home at my own expense if I exhibit behavior that shows I am not truly here for that reason. By signing below, I further acknowledge that at any point during the summer, I could be asked to leave for conduct deemed inconsistent with that of a follower of Jesus Christ, including knowingly providing false or misleading information on my application or during my interview. I also acknowledge that by filling out this application it does not guarantee me a position.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

*Respond to Christ Ministries does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national/ethnic origin, gender or disability in administration of its services, programs, or admissions policies.*



# General Reference Form

**Not to be filled out by a relative or friend/peer of applicant.**  
 Return a signed and completed original in a sealed envelope to applicant.

pat@respondtochrist.org – 423-402-9512

## Applicant Information

Photocopy this form for each general reference (two minimum). Please have your references return this signed form to you in a sealed envelope. You need to include all of your completed and sealed references in the mailing with your application.

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

## Reference Information

**THANK YOU** for agreeing to serve as a reference for applicant named above. Your honest and thoughtful feedback will help us to determine their acceptance as a short-term missions "staff" under Respond to Christ Ministries in the Dominican Republic.

**Upon completion of this form, please place it in a sealed envelope and mail it back to the applicant at the above address.**

**Please print.**

Relation to Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Length of time you've known them: \_\_\_\_\_

## Reference Basic Information

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel. #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please rate the applicant in each of the following areas:**

Subject:	Superior:	Above Ave.:	Average:	Below Ave.:	Unknown:	Notes:
Emotional stability						
Spiritual maturity						
Leadership						
Adaptability						

**On a separate piece of paper (or reverse side of this page), please include your answers to the following questions:**

- What is your perception of the readiness and maturity of the applicant in leading programs for youth in the Dominican Republic?
- Please indicate any area(s) in which the applicant might need special attention.

I  recommend /  do not recommend /  recommend with reservation this individual for a missions-based, summer day camp counselor position at this time.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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# Pastoral Reference Form

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Photocopy this form for each pastor reference (one minimum). Please have your references return this signed form to you in a sealed envelope. You need to include all of your completed and sealed references in the mailing with your application.

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Church Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Your Title/Role at the Church: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel. #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please rate the applicant in each of the following areas:**

Subject:	Superior:	Above Ave.:	Ave.:	Below Ave.	Unknown:	Notes:
Emotional stability						
Spiritual maturity						
Biblical knowledge						
Adaptability						
Submission to Authority						

**On a separate piece of paper (or reverse side of this page), please include your answers to the following questions:**

- What is your perception of the readiness and maturity of the applicant in leading programs for youth in the Dominican Republic?
- Describe the applicant's involvement in your fellowship (ministries, service, etc.).

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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