

# Happening in Mississippi

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name called by: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade in School: 10      11      12

Gender:      male                  female

E-mail address  
(Please adhere to case sensitivity.):  
\_\_\_\_\_

t-shirt size ( circle one.)

S      M      L      XL      XXL  
XXXL

Parish/Mission & City: \_\_\_\_\_

*If my child should require medical treatment, I hereby authorize Annie Cumberland or another adult in charge to provide for the necessary treatment. In the event of injury, I agree not to hold Happening, the Diocese of Mississippi, the host parish/mission church, other parish/mission churches or any individual responsible. By my signature below, I agree to the above stipulations:*

Parent's Name: (please print)  
X \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Phone:A (    ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Phone:B (    ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

INSURANCE COMPANY: \_\_\_\_\_

POLICY NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

Individuals should fill out an application completely before sending in. Return application with \$40.00 registration fee and a copy of your insurance card.

Make checks payable to:  
**Happening in Mississippi.**

**A photocopy of your insurance card is necessary to process this application. A parent must sign the application. Applicant must sign the application. Application should be received at least one week prior to Happening, but are welcome at the event itself.**

**Mail to:**  
The Rev. Annie Cumberland  
PO Box 1366  
Jackson, MS 39215

*Participant Community Covenant—  
Non-Negotiable Regulations*

1. NO DRUGS OR ALCOHOL
2. NO FIREWORKS OR FIREARMS
3. NO SEXUAL BEHAVIOR
4. NO SMOKING OR POSSESSION OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS

*This is an agreement I have made and I promise to adhere to these nonnegotiable regulations while I am at this event. I understand that if I choose to break these regulations, I agree to go home.*

Participant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



## in MISSISSIPPI

**Happening #69  
April 24-26<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

**St. John's Episcopal Church  
Laurel, Mississippi**



The Episcopal  
Diocese of  
Mississippi

## **THE HAPPENING EXPERIENCE: AN INSTRUMENT OF RENEWAL**

The Happening experience is a powerful instrument of renewal in the Church. Its aim is to concentrate closely on the life of Jesus Christ while trying to instill a desire to understand and connect with the Church. During the weekend the teachings of Christ are discussed in both large and small group settings. There are several services that allow time for reflection and prayer. There's also a lot of music, games, fun and great food.

The Rector for Happening is usually a senior in High School. He or she is supported by a staff that includes teenagers and adults serving as "gophers", cooks, coordinators and advisors. Two priests are also there as Spiritual Directors. Happeners and staff are fed and housed at a host parish.

### **WHO CAN ATTEND??**

Everyone is accepted. There are groups for teenagers currently in 10th, 11th and 12th Grade. There is also a group for adults (18 and up). Happening is open to ALL denominations. Bring a friend or family member!

### **HOW MUCH??**

\$40.00 with your Application and Insurance Information. Make checks out to "Happening in Mississippi". Scholarships are available - please include a request with your application. Please ask your local parish for assistance as well.

## **FORMAT**

Happeners should arrive at 7:00 p.m. SHARP on Friday. We cannot begin until everyone is there. Eat supper before you arrive. After introductions, rules, and a few games, the weekend theme develops with the Rector's address. The changing nature of our world and society is compared with the permanent nature of Spiritual Reality. You will meet some wonderful friends who are looking for answers to the same questions you face in everyday life.

## **CLOSING**

The Happening ends with a closing Eucharist at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday. Parents, family, friends, former Happeners and parishioners are encouraged to attend. It is an incredible service of celebration and a chance for Happeners to share some of their experiences about the weekend.

### **WHAT TO BRING??**

Sleeping bag, pillow, towels, soap, towels, toothbrush, toothpaste, towels, warm-clothes, cool clothes, etc. If you forget something, we can get it. Did I mention towels? If you have a special diet (vegetarian, lactose intolerant, diabetic) contact us ahead of time so we can accommodate you.

### **WHAT NOT TO BRING??**

Food, drink, alcohol, cigarettes, tobacco products, drugs (other than prescription medications which will be administered by an adult staff member).

## **A MESSAGE FROM OUR BISHOP**

*Over the past twenty years the Episcopal Church and, for that matter, the Christian Church has been experiencing spiritual renewal through a variety of experiences at the local level and through conferences. Happening is such an opportunity for our high school students. Vocare offers a similar weekend of renewal for college students. I encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity to strengthen and renew your own spiritual journey. You won't regret the experience. In fact, you will want to share it with others! Perhaps I'll see you there.*

*Faithfully,*



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**BY BISHOP'S ORDER,  
NO SMOKING IS ALLOWED AT  
YOUTH EVENTS**

for more information contact:

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