###### HeartPaths DFW

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###### Training Spiritual Directors Since 1982

### Certificate Programs in Spiritual Leadership and Spiritual Direction PROGRAM Application

**Steps Toward Acceptance as a Participant:**

1. Submission of this completed application along with the non-refundable application fee (see below)
2. Submission of two reference letters on your behalf (see below)
3. Interview with HeartPaths DFW faculty (to be scheduled after the above have been received and reviewed)
4. Notification of acceptance

**Qualities of Applicants**

These programs are for lay and ordained Christians who:

* Are adults at least eighteen (18) years of age and of spiritual and emotional maturity
* Want to deepen their relationship with the living Christ
* Want personal support in deepening their skills and sensibilities regarding spiritual disciplines
* Desire an integrative body-mind-spirit approach and an experiential-mentor model of formation
* Wish to learn in an ecumenical environment through the Christian story and its symbols
* Are willing to honor all human experience as having a place in God’s revelation
* Are interested in a contemplative, life-affirming approach to spirituality.
* Sense a calling to learn the art of spiritual formation and/or spiritual direction ministry

**Reference Letters**

Provide the name, title, address, email address and telephone number of two references:

1. A pastor or leader from your community/congregation
2. A personal reference who can speak to your character and readiness for a program in spiritual leadership/spiritual direction

Please contact these persons and send them a copy of the “Qualities of Applicants” listed above. Ask them to submit their letter of recommendation on your behalf to us at [heartpathstraining@gmail.com](mailto:heartpathstraining@gmail.com) or the mailing address below.

**Application Fee**

The one-time, non-refundable application fee is $100. The early application fee, if completed by July 15, is $75. NOTE: Please make checks payable to **HeartPaths,** with a note about “application fee” in the memo line. You may mail a check to the address below.

Send completed application by email to [heartpathstraining@gmail.com](mailto:heartpathstraining@gmail.com) or by mail to:

**HeartPaths DFW**

**P.O. Box 612712**

**Dallas, TX 75261**

**HeartPaths DFW Application for Fall of 2022**

#### Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Today’s date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

##### Address

##### City \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Zip

##### Phone (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (Home)

##### Email address

Religious Affiliation/Congregation:

Are you a clergy member \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or a layperson \_\_\_\_\_\_\_? (Please check one.)

Emergency contact: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone:

We are hoping to offer both in-person and virtual (Zoom) small group meetings for 2022-23, and we will flex accordingly for pandemic conditions, facility availability, enrollment, etc.  We anticipate that any “combined group” seminars will be online/Zoom for everyone. (The HeartPaths faculty have familiarity with online meetings on Zoom and can provide resources to help you get oriented if you are new to Zoom.  You don't need a Zoom account in order to participate.)

**Please describe your *availability* and *preference* for possible weekly group times for Sep. 2022-May 2023.** (For example, “I can be **available** on Wednesday and Thursday mornings beginning at 10 am, as well as on Thursday evenings beginning at 6:30 pm. My **preference** is for Thursday mornings.” In recent years the weekly HeartPaths DFW Year 1 groups have met on Friday mornings, Thursday evenings, Thursday mornings, or Monday midday.)

**If we offer in-person groups, please rank order (1=top choice) ALL the locations that would be possible for you.**

\_\_\_\_\_ Richardson \_\_\_\_ Lewisville \_\_\_\_\_ Fort Worth

**Names of References:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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The questions on the following page are designed to assist the faculty in getting to know you in terms of background, experience, and your expectations as they relate to our program. We consider your answers private, and we will not share them with anyone outside the HeartPaths DFW leadership without your permission. Take as much space as you need for each question.

1. Briefly, tell us about your spiritual background.
2. What types of spiritual disciplines do you currently practice?
3. Have you ever been in spiritual direction? Are you currently seeing a spiritual director? Please tell us about your experiences.
4. What are you looking for and what do you hope to receive from this program?
5. How do you expect to use this training?
6. What questions do you have for us at this time?
7. Please tell us how you heard about HeartPaths – Name of friend/faculty member/pastor? Internet search? Other?