

## **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 2023

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 hope to offer both in-person and online (Zoom) small group meetings for 2023-24, and we will flex accordingly for facility availability, enrollment, etc. We anticipate that any "combined group" meetings will be online/Zoom for everyone. **Please answer questions 1, 2, and 3 below.**

**1. Please circle or highlight your POSSIBLE TIMES for a weekly 2-hour group from Sep. 2023-May 2024:**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
morning	morning	morning	morning	morning	morning	xxxxxxxxxx
afternoon	afternoon	afternoon	afternoon	afternoon	afternoon	afternoon
evening	evening	evening	evening	xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx

**2. Please circle or highlight your PREFERRED TIMES for a weekly 2-hour group from Sep. 2023-May 2024:**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
morning	morning	morning	morning	morning	morning	xxxxxxxxxx
afternoon	afternoon	afternoon	afternoon	afternoon	afternoon	afternoon
evening	evening	evening	evening	xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx

**3. Please rank order (1=top choice) ALL the locations that would be possible for you.**

\_\_\_ Collin Co/Allen    \_\_\_ Ft. Worth    \_\_\_ Lewisville/121    \_\_\_ Richardson    \_\_\_ Zoom/online

**Names of References:**

Name _____	Name _____
Title _____	Title _____
Email _____	Email _____
Address _____	Address _____
Phone _____	Phone _____

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.

