

## Young Women of Excellence

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# *2018 Young Woman of Excellence Pageantry Application*

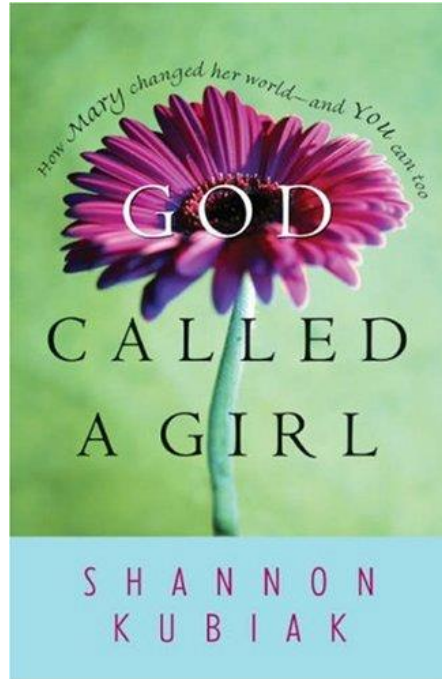
## *2018 Young Women of Excellence Pageant Theme:* **“unstoppable”**

### *Pageantry Guidelines and Requirements*

1. The applicant must be single (never been married), with no children and between the ages of 13 - 21.
2. Each applicant must file an application with the International Youth Department signed by the Pastor, Jurisdictional President and Jurisdictional Chairlady.
3. The applicant must complete the personal data form and submit a short biographical sketch.
4. Each applicant must sign the *Young Woman of Excellence* Agreement.
5. Each applicant will write a **750 word essay**. The topic is: *“In light of current events, if I were the International Chairlady, I would effectively use my influence to enhance the economy and Church community by ...”*
6. Each applicant must complete **20 hours of Community Service** at a venue of her choice. A letter from the organization/venue on official letterhead must be submitted in order to receive credit.
7. Each applicant must submit a \$350.00 entry fee. Please make a copy of the money order, cashiers or ministry check and include with application submission. ALL entry fee money MUST be mailed to: Assistant Chairlady Crystal James | 14127 Long Shadow Drive | Houston, Texas 77015. Additional pageant money will be collected ON-SITE during the International AIM Convention. Please acknowledge YWE Pageant participation no later than, **Friday, May 25<sup>th</sup>**. **If your Jurisdictional pageant is after the deadline, please ensure that Lady Takeitha Carter is informed via telephone: (901) 303.7549 or via email: cogicgirlsrock@gmail.com.** After the local or jurisdictional winner has been announced, the contestant will have 5 (five) business days to submit completed application packet to participate in the International Young Women of Excellence.

Please submit **COMPLETED** YWE Pageant application packet via email: [cogicgirlsrock@gmail.com](mailto:cogicgirlsrock@gmail.com). At the time of submission, PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOUR ENTRY FEE HAS BEEN SENT TO CHAIRLADY CRYSTAL JAMES. THIS QUALIFIES YOUR INTENT TO COMPETE. ADDITIONAL PAGEANT MONEY WILL BE COLLECTED ON-SITE DURING THE INTERNATIONAL AIM CONVENTION. PLEASE DO NOT SEND CASH THROUGH THE MAIL. Your entry fee AND completed application will indicate your confirmed intent to participate. ONLY completed applications, with an acknowledged entry fee will be considered for review. Incomplete packets will not be accepted and this will affect contestant points overall.

8. Each contestant is required to read and take an oral/written exam over the book entitled,  
“God Called A Girl” by Shannon Kubiak



Each contestant will need to purchase a copy of the book via [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com). It is the responsibility of each contestant to read the assigned material to assist in the mandatory testing. The test will be given during the International AIM Convention at a designated time and location. **NOTE:** *As a tribute to the 50 year Anniversary of Dr. Martin Luther king, Jr. and the “I AM A MAN” movement, the test will also include, “Voices from History”. The contestant will be responsible for knowing designated phrases, song titles or messages from influential persons in our Church and Civil History.*

9. Each contestant will be required to participate in all YWE activities that will be offered during the International AIM Convention.

10. Each applicant is required to present her talent during the “Talent Exposition”. The talent presentation should range from 3-5 minutes in length. Talent will be judged by creativity; audience feedback; presentation style; and originality.

11. Each contestant is required to purchase a \$25.00 rhinestone t-shirt to be worn for their designated group activities and/or projects during the AIM Convention.

12. The pageant attire will consist of: (a) White formal dress; (b) White gloves; (c) White pearl earrings; and (d) White shoes. Specified attire is **mandatory** or participant will not be allowed to take part in the final presentation of the pageant.

13. Each applicant is required to submit a Letter of Recommendation from one of the following: School Official; Youth Leader; Coach; Guidance Counselor; Pastor; or Employer **AND** a copy of their **MOST** recent transcript.

## *Procedures for Young Women of Excellence Winners Circle and Royal Court*

1. Each applicant must submit an entry fee of \$350.00. The applicant who submits the highest amount over \$350.00 will be rewarded the “Victory Trophy”. The highest amount of money submitted does not guarantee the win overall – it will, however, guarantee the Victory Trophy along with an additional pageant prize package. The contestant that has the overall highest score in all categories combined will be awarded the title, “2018 Young Women of Excellence Queen”.
2. Contestant entry monies are due no later than, Wednesday of the AIM Convention by 3PM at the designated location. SORRY, NO EXCEPTIONS. ALL DEADLINES ARE FINAL!! Once your monies have been submitted and counted, you will receive your “submitted total” which will be considered for the Victory Trophy. Any monies submitted after you have receive a “submitted total” will count towards your “overall total”. Your “submitted total” will be the amount you will be judged on for the Victory Trophy. Points will be given for your “submitted total” and will go toward your total possible points earned for the competitive Crown. To receive ANY points for your monies turned in, you must submit an amount more than the required entry fee of \$350.00
3. The YWE Crown will be granted to the young lady that accumulates the MOST points in a variety of categories during the workshops as well as the pageantry. Therefore, it is possible that a contestant can be the recipient of both the “Victory Trophy” and the crowned Young Women of Excellence 2018. It is also possible that the Crown can be awarded to the contestant that is not awarded the Victory Trophy based on the point system and overall points received that will be assigned to each category. Upon arrival to the International AIM Convention, each contestant will receive the point system that will be utilized as judging criteria. This will allow each contestant the opportunity to compete fairly on the scale in which they will be judged overall. Points will be awarded in the following categories:

Attendance and Friendliness  
Appearance  
Academic Excellence and Success  
Leadership Qualities  
Community Service Interaction  
Talent Etiquette  
Charm  
Packet Submission and Completion  
Test Scores  
Question & Answer Pageant Segment  
White Gown Elegance  
Submitted Money

**JUNIOR DIVISION**  
13-15 YEARS OF AGE

**SENIOR DIVISION**  
16-21 YEARS OF AGE

# PERSONAL DATA FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirt size \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ (Day) \_\_\_\_\_ (Evening)

Parent(s) Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Church: \_\_\_\_\_ Pastor: \_\_\_\_\_

Jurisdiction: \_\_\_\_\_

Who Are your Youth Leaders?

(Local) \_\_\_\_\_ (District) \_\_\_\_\_

(Jurisdictional) \_\_\_\_\_

## INVOLVEMENT IN MINISTRY

## ACADEMIC INVOLVEMENT/ACHIEVEMENT/AWARDS

GRADE LEVEL: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT/ACHIEVEMENTS:

NAME ONE PERSON THAT INFLUENCED YOU AND IMPACTED YOUR LIFE. HOW?

\_\_\_\_\_  
PARENT'S SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
JURISDICTIONAL LEADER'S SIGNATURE

# INTERNATIONAL CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

## YOUTH DEPARTMENT

DR. BENJAMIN STEPHENS, III \* PRESIDENT  
EVANGELIST JOYCE L. RODGERS \* CHAIRLADY

# *Young Women of Excellence*

## AGREEMENT

I \_\_\_\_\_ AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE RULES AND GUIDELINES THAT HAVE BEEN SET BY THE *(YWE) Young Women of Excellence Committee.* I FURTHER UNDERSTAND THAT FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH SAID GUIDELINES WILL AUTOMATICALLY EXPEL ME FROM THIS PAGEANT AND IN DOING SO, I HAVE FORFEITED ALL PAGEANT MONIES, PRIZES, AND AWARDS.

PARENT'S SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

PARTICIPANT'S SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

WITNESSED BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
(YOUTH LEADER)

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

# **PAGEANT APPLICATION CHECKLIST**



**BEFORE YOU SUBMIT, DO YOU HAVE.....?**

Completed Application

Entry Fee Check MAILED to Chairlady Crystal James

750 Word Essay

Contestant Photograph (*Please attach photo to email*)

20-Hour Community Service Completion Letter

Letter of Recommendation

**MOST RECENT Academic Transcript**

**Email Subject Line**

YWE Pageant 2018: Contestant Name / Jurisdiction

(EXAMPLE) YWE PAGEANT 2018: LISA WILLIAMS / NORTH DAKOTA 3<sup>RD</sup>

[cogicgirlsrock@gmail.com](mailto:cogicgirlsrock@gmail.com)