

IBA Youth Development presents

RBS 2012

Residential Bible School



INTRODUCTION TO APPLICATION FORM

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING FORM

RBS is a 5½-week-long Christian discipleship school for youth who have just completed their Form 5 or Form 6, or are on break from college or university. It is run by the Brethren Assemblies of Malaysia as a ministry of Inter Brethren Assemblies (IBA) Youth Development with a three-fold goal of:

- **INSPIRING** you to a heartfelt and committed devotion to God;
- **INSTRUCTING** you in his Word in the fundamentals of your faith, so that you might grow to become a mature, thinking Christian rather than a spoon-fed one;
- **INVOLVING** you in practical service for God through the missions trips.

RBS is run in the format of a school rather than a camp. It is designed to be a memorable once-in-a-lifetime experience, where the focus is on the learning, discovery and practice of basic spiritual disciplines. As such, applicants must meet the minimum prerequisites, which are:

- a born again believer;
- recommended by the leaders of his/her local church;
- willing to study hard and complete all assignments, participate in all RBS activities, and abide by the RBS rules as directed by the Principal.

The classroom component of RBS will be conducted at the Highlands Christian Centre in Cameron Highlands. The practical missions component requires participants to travel in groups to various locations around Peninsular Malaysia, where their ministry base will be the local Brethren churches. The debriefing and Graduation Night will be held in Petaling Jaya.

Students must attend the entire duration of the school (exception provided **only** for family emergencies).

A good standard of behaviour and adherence to the rules will be expected from you. On dressing and the clothes you decide to bring with you, we encourage you to cover too much rather than too little. RBS students come from different backgrounds, cultures and church experiences. We need to be sensitive to not offending or distracting other students by the way we dress. This is an important principle not just for the school, but also in our approach to life and godliness.

Note also that though you may bring a handphone with you so that you can use it while you travel, you will be required to surrender it to the staff for the entire duration of the school. A communal phone for the use of students will be made available during selected periods in the day during the course of the school.

The fee for attending RBS is as follows:

- For applicants from IBA-affiliated churches: RM1200 (you are required to pay RM600. Your church will pay RM600)
- For applicants from non IBA-affiliated churches: RM1500

The fee covers all materials, food and accommodation during the length of RBS, personal accident insurance, and transport to and from your mission trips. The fee does **not** cover your transportation to and from RBS and other expenses you may incur during RBS (e.g. laundry, own snacks, book purchases, etc). Please take note that all students are required to purchase one book (approx. RM40) for a book report during RBS.

The difference in the fees above reflects the subsidy given by IBA to students from affiliated churches, as IBA is primarily funded by contributions from those churches. Applicants from non-affiliated churches pay a fee that is closer to the actual cost incurred by that student for the duration of the school. If you encounter financial difficulty in meeting the RBS attendance fee for whatever reason, please contact us for assistance.

Parents of IBA-affiliated applicants who are financially able to bear the full cost of the fees for RBS 2012 are strongly encouraged to consider reimbursing the church portion of the fees (RM600) directly to the church itself. We encourage this in order to ease the financial burden of the sending church.

Please take note that the attached application form is in two parts. **Part A** is to be filled out by the student applicant and **Part B** is to be filled out by your church youth worker or elder/deacon. You need to complete Part A and send it together with a non-refundable RM100 deposit to the address listed below. Part B is to be sent separately by your church youth worker or elder/deacon, to the same address. All feedback forms (both Part A and Part B) must be fully completed and received **latest by 31 October 2011**. Incomplete forms may be rejected. As such, it is to your advantage to encourage your church youth worker or elder/deacon to send in their forms (Part B) as soon as possible. Please be warned that a maximum of 48 places are available for RBS, and places fill up very quickly each year. All fully-completed applications will be treated on a first-come-first-served basis. Standby places will be allocated on the same basis in the event of dropouts from those initially accepted.

Please send all completed forms (Part A by you, and Part B separately by your church leader) to:

RBS 2012
c/o May Lee Hilmy
33 Lorong Burhanuddin Helmi 11
Taman Tun Dr Ismail
60000 KUALA LUMPUR

- ☞ **All applications must be accompanied by a non-refundable RM100 deposit, payable by cheque only.** Please make cheques in favour of "Residential Bible School" and **write your name and church clearly** on the back of the cheque.
- ☞ If however you are selected for **National Service** and RBS 2012 clashes with your NS intake and you are unable to appeal for a change in intake, rest assured that your deposit of RM100 **will be returned** to you.
- ☞ **All applications (including deposit) must be received by 31 October 2011.** Late applicants will either be rejected or charged a **late registration fee of RM50.**
- ☞ Application forms may be provisionally **faxed** to **(03) 7880-1130** to ensure arrival on time, but original forms must still eventually be mailed to the above address.
- ☞ Incomplete applications may be rejected.
- ☞ Application does not mean acceptance.
- ☞ Preference will be given to youth from Brethren (IBA-affiliated) churches in Malaysia. **Applicants from non-Brethren churches may apply but will only be accepted on a standby basis.** One week after the closing date for applications, any remaining places will be confirmed for non-Brethren applicants on a first-come first-served basis.
- ☞ For further information or clarification, please contact **May Lee Hilmy** at **(016) 240-6444** or email **contact@rbs.org.my.**

Please retain these pages for your own reference

APPLICATION FORM: PART A

To be completed by **STUDENT APPLICANT**

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Please write your name on the back of a **recent** passport-sized photograph and paste it here.

(Compulsory)

Please write clearly and neatly in **BLOCK** letters!

Full name:

I/C number: _____

Male Female

Home address:

Telephone (home): _____

Handphone (if any): _____

Email address: _____

Age: _____ Date of birth: _____

Name of church:

1. Tell us how you came to know Jesus as your Saviour and Lord. (Please write/type your testimony on a separate sheet of paper and attach.)

2. Why do you want to attend RBS?

3. What would you like to personally gain from RBS?

4. Describe your relationship with God right now.

5. In what areas of your walk with God would you like to see improvement (if any)?

6. In what areas of church/CF work are you currently serving, and in what way?

7. What leadership experience do you have? (does not have to be church/CF-related)

8. What are your strengths and your weaknesses?

9. In what ways has God gifted you with ability?

10. What musical instruments do you play, and how well?

<input type="checkbox"/> Piano	<input type="checkbox"/> Experienced	<input type="checkbox"/> Average	<input type="checkbox"/> Beginner
<input type="checkbox"/> Guitar	<input type="checkbox"/> Experienced	<input type="checkbox"/> Average	<input type="checkbox"/> Beginner
<input type="checkbox"/> Drums	<input type="checkbox"/> Experienced	<input type="checkbox"/> Average	<input type="checkbox"/> Beginner
<input type="checkbox"/> _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Experienced	<input type="checkbox"/> Average	<input type="checkbox"/> Beginner

11. What musical instruments (if any) will you be bringing to RBS?

12. What other languages do you speak, and how well?

<input type="checkbox"/> Bahasa Malaysia	<input type="checkbox"/> Fluent	<input type="checkbox"/> Average	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor
<input type="checkbox"/> Mandarin	<input type="checkbox"/> Fluent	<input type="checkbox"/> Average	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor
<input type="checkbox"/> Cantonese	<input type="checkbox"/> Fluent	<input type="checkbox"/> Average	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor
<input type="checkbox"/> Hokkien	<input type="checkbox"/> Fluent	<input type="checkbox"/> Average	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor
<input type="checkbox"/> Tamil	<input type="checkbox"/> Fluent	<input type="checkbox"/> Average	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor

13. What other languages can you read, and how well?

<input type="checkbox"/> Chinese	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Average	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor
<input type="checkbox"/> Tamil	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Average	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor

14. What Sunday School experience do you have?

<input type="checkbox"/> Teaching	<input type="checkbox"/> Songleading	<input type="checkbox"/> Helping	<input type="checkbox"/> None
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15. What food allergies or notable medical problems do you have (if any)?

MY COVENANT

I agree to abide by the principles and rules of RBS as directed by the Principal. I also commit myself to God's desires and goals for my life through RBS, and to encouraging my fellow students to do the same.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

PARENT'S / GUARDIAN'S CONSENT

I, _____, parent / guardian of _____, hereby give my consent for my child / ward to attend the full duration of RBS 2012 and all its related activities from 30 January to 8 March 2012. Whilst I am aware that every effort will be taken to ensure the safety of my child / ward, I agree not to hold IBA Youth Development, the RBS Committee, school staff, or the church, liable for any mishap which may occur during the entire period of RBS 2012.

Signature: _____

I/C number: _____ Date: _____

Email Address: _____

Telephone (home/office): _____ Handphone (if any): _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT

Please supply the contact details of a person to contact in the event of an emergency.

Name: _____ Relationship to Student: _____

Telephone (home/office): _____ Handphone: _____

Please ensure that you have attached:

☞ **cheque** for RM100 deposit (non-refundable) made out to "Residential Bible School" — **please write your name and church clearly on the back of the cheque;**

☞ your **testimony**.

Send completed form with attachments to:

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APPLICATION FORM: PART B

To be completed and mailed separately by **CHURCH YOUTH WORKER / ELDER / DEACON**

Please note that if this form is not received **before 31 October 2011**, the student's application may be rejected.

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Name of Student: _____

Church : _____

1. On a scale of 1-10, please rate this student on the following attributes. As a general guide, think of anything 8-10 as exemplary and anything 0-4 as poor. Leave blank if you are not in a position to assess the student on a particular attribute.

a. Character and personality

- Spiritual maturity _____
- Personal maturity _____
- Initiative _____
- Social acceptance by others _____
- Social acceptance of others _____
- Emotional stability _____
- Personal manner and etiquette _____
- Confidence _____
- Leadership _____
- Responsibility _____
- Teamwork _____
- Spoken communication _____

b. Skills

- Organising/administration _____
- Children's work _____
- Youth work _____
- Teaching _____
- Evangelism _____
- Sports _____
- Drama _____
- Singing _____
- Playing musical instruments _____
- Leading worship _____

(Instruments: _____)

2. Is this person faithful in church attendance?

Yes

No

Comments (if any): _____

3. What **strengths** does this student display that deserve to be highlighted?

4. Are there any **weaknesses** or **concerns** about this student that we need to be aware of in order to be able to help him/her?

5. Is there anything else you feel we should know about this student?

ENDORSEMENT

I have read and understood the principles of RBS and recommend the above student applicant as a suitable candidate.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: _____

Position held: Elder / Deacon / Youth worker

Address: _____

Tel contact: _____

Personal email: _____

Church email (if any): _____

Please do **NOT** return this form to the student applicant. Please mail the completed form directly to:
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