



## Genesis School for Contemplative Living

### *Application Form, Part 1*

Please enclose a non-refundable \$35 application fee along with a photo of yourself, and make checks payable to Genesis Spiritual Life and Conference Center.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip

Phones \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Work Cell

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

What faith tradition or spiritual group/community do you currently belong to, if any?  
\_\_\_\_\_

Current Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Highest Earned Academic Degree \_\_\_\_\_

Please Check: Married\_\_ Single\_\_ Partnered\_\_ Live in community\_\_\_\_\_  
Clergy\_\_ In ministry\_\_\_\_\_

Health/mobility concerns that may affect your ability to fully participate in residencies:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about this program? \_\_\_\_\_

Question 1 (100 word limit). **Please provide a summary of your spirituality history and experience. Describe any current contemplative practice you have, if any.**

Question 2 (25 word limit). **Why are you interested in this program?**

Question 3 (75 word limit). **Give an example of how you relate to a person who doesn't see God the way you do?**

Question 4 (100 word limit). **Give an example of how you deal with conflict. How comfortable are you with being “stretched” and why?**

*Application, Part 2 - References*

**Please list the names, addresses, telephone numbers and email addresses of 2 people who know you well who can speak to your spiritual life and development, mental stability, willingness to learn, flexibility, etc.**

- 1.
  
- 2.

**Ask them to send us a letter of recommendation before the application deadline of June 30, 2019 *using the form and the questions provided on the next page.***

Dear \_\_\_\_\_,  
(Reference Name)

As part of my application for the Genesis School for Contemplative Living, I am asking you to write a letter of recommendation for me.

Please address the questions listed below, and provide any additional information which might help Genesis evaluate my application. Please send your response along with this form directly to Genesis by June 30, 2019.

Thank you,

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of applicant)

**Reference Questions – please type your response or print legibly on another sheet of paper.**

1. In what way are you acquainted with this applicant? What do you know about their current spiritual life and practices?
2. What is your appraisal of the applicant's spiritual maturity and practice?
3. What is your opinion of the applicant's psychological maturity and stability?
4. Would you have any hesitation in referring this person to our program? (Please see *GenesisSpiritualCenter.org, School for Contemplative Living*, for information on this program)

***Thank you again for your assistance.***

*Please send your response by June 30, 2019 to:*

**Genesis School for Contemplative Living  
Jane Comerford, CSJ  
53 Mill Street  
Westfield, MA 01085**