Application Form

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a-GAPe Challenge aims to challenge and equip school leavers (year 13 and 14 students) who have a particular interest in Christian Mission and Ministry and who come from the West of Sydney.

It is a GAP year in every sense of the expression. A year in length that bridges the 'gap' between secondary and tertiary education/apprenticeship by providing a gospel focused, mission and ministry minded training experience, tailored to the participant, and based in their home church.

Whilst this program is run by the Western Region of the Sydney Anglican Church, it is open to participants from other denominations.

If this is you, we hope that you will prayerfully apply.

About You	
Full Name:	
Email Address:	
Mobile:	
Home Address:	
Date of Birth:	
Where would you say you are in your Christian faith?	(Please circle) ▪ Committed believer since _____ ▪ New believer since _____ ▪ Still considering the Christian faith
Have you been discipled by a particular person?	No / Yes – who?
Do your parents support this application?	Yes / No
During the *a-GAPe Challenge* year, where do you plan to live? (e.g. at home with parents, move with friends etc.)	
How are you planning to get to and from your *a-GAPe Challenge* Commitments	Drive myself / Public Transport / other
About your Church	
Your Church:	
Denomination:	

What ways do you currently serve at your Church? (e.g. Sunday School/Youth Group/Tech Team etc.)	
Minister's Name:	
Have you spoken to your Minister about this application?	Yes / Not yet
About your School	
Which School are you graduating/have graduated from?	
Year that will/have graduated?	
Have you moved through a different education pathway (e.g. Home Schooling/TAFE)	(Please circle) No / Yes – What? _____
Are you involved in any Christian groups/leadership at School? If so, what? (e.g. lunch time Bible Study etc.)	
Do you plan to be involved in this school during your a-GAPe Challenge year?	(Please circle) Yes / Not Sure / No
Would you be interested in a school placement? (We may be able to give recommendations)	(Please circle) Yes / Not Sure / No
About your plans	
How are you planning to fund your GAP year? (including your living expenses)	(Please circle all that applies) Work / Savings / Parents / Other
Are you planning to head into further education following the *a-GAPe Challenge* year?	(Please circle) No – planning on working/travelling/other _____ Yes – Where and What? (if known) _____

Please tell us a little more about you...

1. Please give a brief history of your personal Christian experience

2. In a few words, how would you describe your character and temperament?

3. What would you see as your other main gifts/strengths?

4. What is it about the *a-GAPe Challenge* that you are most excited about?

5. What would you hope to gain from being involved with the *a-GAPe Challenge*?

6. Do you, at present, have a clear sense of God's call to mission or ministry?
   If so, please give details. If not, what do you see as your probable long-term future?

7. Who has encouraged you to consider a mission/ministry GAP year?

8. If you had complete freedom of choice, and failure was not an issue – what, under God, would you most like to achieve in your lifetime?

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Thank you so much for applying to be part of the a-GAPe Challenge. Looking forward to getting to know you.

Please list three persons, including your minister or youth pastor, to whom reference can be made regarding this application.

Your Minister

1. Name: _____
   Email: _____
   Address: _____
   Contact No: _____

Person 2

2. Name: _____
   Email: _____
   Address: _____
   Contact No: _____

Person 3

3. Name: _____
   Email: _____
   Address: _____
   Contact No: _____

The process from here is:

1) **Please return this completed application form by Tuesday 12th January 2027** to:
   a-GAPe Challenge
   Email: a-gape@a-gape.org.au or PO Box 77 Glenbrook 2773.

2) **We will review the application** and send a reference check to your referees.

3) **We will arrange a time for an interview with you** - this can be in-person, or online via video call or phone.

4) **If accepted, you will receive an offer of acceptance** to sign and return, and ask to set a time later in the year to discuss a development plan.

5) Later in the year, **we will discuss and begin forming your development plan, with you, your minister and an *a-GAPe Challenge* Team member**, and see what your *a-GAPe Challenge* year might look like.

6) **We'll send an enrolment pack to you** as the new year rolls around, as well as details for you to pay the fees prior to the year/term starting.

7) **Your *a-GAPe Challenge* year will commence** at 9.30am on the first Monday in February at Lower Mountains Anglican – Glenbrook.