

Alabama Southeast District State Convention  
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*Theme: Get L.I.T. – Be L.I.T. – Stay L.I.T. Living in Truth with Jesus!*

*Related Scripture: Matthew 5:16*

**ORATORICAL CONTEST REGISTRATION FORM**

Please Print all Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Participant's Contact information (home phone/cell & email address)

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

Name of Pastor: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Youth Leader and contact information (home phone/cell & email)

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Category Participating In:

\_\_\_\_\_ Middle School (7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>)

\_\_\_\_\_ High School (10<sup>th</sup> ~12<sup>th</sup>)

\_\_\_\_\_ College/Young Adult (18-22)

Southeast District State Convention Contact Information

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All forms **MUST** be submitted or postmarked by March 12, 2016. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

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### **Oratorical Contest Guidelines**

The topic is designed to encourage growth and development toward Christian maturity in addition to developing public speaking skills. Youth speakers are encouraged to express their ideas based on scriptural application, content, organization of thoughts, and clarity and expression of speech, **memorization**, delivery and stage presence. **The oratorical presentation should not be more than five (5) minutes but not be less than 3 minutes. No props of any kind can be used during the presentation, or you will be automatically disqualified.**

The purpose of the speech should be to inform, inspire, persuade, or create concern.

**An oratorical speech is memorized not read!**  
**You will not be permitted to have notes of any kind.**

#### **Competition Categories**

- ❖ Middle School (7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> grade)
- ❖ High School (10<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grade)
- ❖ College/Young Adult (18 to 22 years)

Certificates will be awarded to all participants in each category. A **monetary prize** will be awarded to the winner & 1st place winners in each category **only**.

#### **Topics**

Participants may choose from the topics below:

1. *Spiritual Growth*
2. *Growing in Grace*
3. *Understanding How Faith Works*

*Submit 1 Copy of your presentation to Sis. Janice Robinson on the day of the oratorical contest.*

#### **Tips to Remember:**

- ❖ **No props will be allowed. (No note cards, papers, or electronic devices of any kind can be used during the oratorical delivery.)**
- ❖ **Points will be deducted if time limit is exceeded.**
- ❖ **One representative per church, per competition category.**
- ❖ All participants are winners; therefore, this is a great training opportunity for all participants to display their talent and build confidence in public speaking skills.
- ❖ Be well prepared and relaxed.
- ❖ *Most of all have fun*