

IFCA INTERNATIONAL • YOUTH CONVENTION  
**NATIONAL GOSPEL ILLUSION**  
**MINISTRY TRAINING AREA (MTA)**

*Rules & Guidelines*

➤ **PURPOSE**

To encourage and tool students for the purpose of effective and proper teaching of Biblical truths to be used in the ministries in the local church. (i.e. Sunday School, Junior Church, etc.)

➤ **RULES**

1. All entries must be based on Bible passages.
2. The Junior High Division shall be limited to those students in grades 7-9, and the Senior High Division to those in grades 10-12.
3. All entrants must provide three copies of an outline representing the Bible principle they will be teaching.
4. The illusion needs to help reinforce the lesson which is being taught, understanding that the lesson can be successfully communicated even if the illusion fails.
5. The same presentation must be used throughout the Regional and National MTA's.
6. The illusion must be one that has not been previously evaluated by the entrant at the IFCA National Youth Convention.

➤ **EVALUATION**

1. A panel of 3 persons will evaluate each entry. There are 6 categories of evaluation on the Gospel Illusion Ministry Training Area Evaluation Form. Each evaluator will assign a division 1, division 2 or division 3 rating for each category. The overall score will be calculated by taking an average of the scores awarded from all 3 evaluators.

<b>Final Division Rating</b>	<b>Average Score</b>
Division 1	1.0 – 1.5
Division 2	1.6 – 2.4
Division 3	2.5 – 3.0

*Note: The National Ministry Training Area evaluators are advised to consider the age and experience of the entrant in the evaluation process and score accordingly.*

2. Each delegate must make an introduction. The introduction must include the name of participant, church, target age group, Bible story title and passage.
3. The lead evaluator will be the official timekeeper. The length of each illusion should be long enough to present the story and help the target audience know how to apply the principle to their life but it should not exceed 15 minutes. Time does not include the introduction before the message, or prayer.

#### 4. Dress Guidelines

Boys: Dress pants, dress shirt with collar, and dress shoes. No flip-flops.

Girls: Loose fitting dress or loose fitting dress shirt with skirt and dress shoes.

*Questions? Contact:*

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