

Please read pages 1–3 before filling out the application.
Complete the application, medical release, and release & indemnification agreement
and return them, along with your \$100 deposit.
Keep pages 1–3 for your records.

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Short Term Trip Application

Consider the Cost of Short-Term Missions

Fund-raising is an integral part of your short-term mission experience. Don't let money keep you from applying for a short-term trip... God could be waiting for an opportunity to show you how big He is! Fund-raising guidelines and materials will be provided at team meetings.

Here are some inevitable costs that are your personal responsibility and separate from the cost of the mission trip:

DEPOSIT & BALANCE

- The \$100 deposit that is submitted with your application is your responsibility. In addition, if your fund-raising efforts are not entirely successful, the balance of the trip cost is also yours to pay
- PASSPORT
 - Required for all trips out of the continental U. S. Apply now!
 - To obtain a passport, you will need a certified birth certificate (not the hospital record), two passport photos and a driver's license. In addition, you will need to pick up and fill out a form from the post office and turn in the information to a postal clerk for processing with the U. S. Passport Agency. All of this can cost \$65 - \$100, depending on when you apply. You should allow six to eight weeks for your passport to arrive. Also, remember that it sometimes takes state agencies several weeks to provide a certified record of your birth if you don't currently have one.
 - Further passport services and information is available:
http://travel.state.gov/passport_services.html

IMMUNIZATIONS

- Cedar Ridge supports the immunizations that are recommended by the Center for Disease Control. Check the diagram to determine which vaccinations are recommended and consult your physician or the International Travel Clinic to determine costs.
- Vaccinations are not included in the price of the trip.
- Contact the International Travel Clinic or choose any other provider at least 4–6 weeks before your trip to allow time for shots to take effect.
- Recommended vaccinations for all trips: Hepatitis A & B, Measles/Mumps/Rubella (*if born after 1956), and Travelers Diarrhea RX
- Required vaccinations for all trips: Tetanus/Diphtheria

Short-Term Mission Trip POLICIES & PROCEDURES

If you are interested in participating in a short-term mission trip, please read the following:

1. You must submit this completed application AND a non-refundable \$100 deposit before your application will be processed and reviewed. The \$100 check will be deposited in the bank immediately. In the event your application is not accepted, your \$100 will be transferred to the church's general fund.
2. Participants must adhere to rules outlined in the team covenant (page 3). Please read it before applying.
3. No one will be considered or accepted as a team member until a completed application and deposit are received.
4. Your application will be reviewed and a personal interview may be required. You will be notified if you are approved as a team member no later than two weeks after the application deadline.
5. Short-term mission trips can be rewarding and life-changing; however, they can also be stressful. Please consider factors in your personal life at this time that may distract and prohibit you from fully committing to the mission of the trip and adapting to unusual conditions.
6. Once accepted, team members are expected to attend all team meetings. Each team member must attend a mandatory retreat prior to departure. Please verify that you are available for the retreat before applying for a trip. (Dates are listed along with the information for each trip.)
7. **All trip costs are the team member's responsibility and due two weeks prior to departure.** Once you have been accepted, you will be provided with a booklet that suggests ways to raise financial support; however, if full support is not raised, the balance is your responsibility. You may not begin to raise funds until you are notified of acceptance to the team and informed of proper fundraising procedures.
8. If you are unable to participate in your trip, the church must receive cancellation notice as soon as possible. You may be responsible for all trip costs. Monies put towards mission trips are contributions, and the Internal Revenue Service prohibits the refund of contributions.
9. If you have physical limitations, please apply for a trip in which you are physically able to participate. Some trips may be prohibitive for certain physical conditions. Please make the Missions staff and your team leader aware of these conditions.
10. Team members will be given information regarding passports and vaccination recommendations from the Department of Health. Passport and vaccination costs are not included in the trip costs and are the responsibility of the team member. Team members assume the responsibility and liability for their personal health decisions.

Team Covenant

As a member of this team, I agree to:

1. Remember that I am representing Jesus Christ as well as His Church. I will model Jesus in my behavior and attitude.
2. Remember that I am a guest working at the invitation of my hosts. I will remember the missionary's prayer, "Where you lead me I will follow; what they feed me I will swallow."
3. Remember that we have come to learn, as well as to teach. I'll resist the temptation to inform our hosts about "how we do things." I'll be open to learning about other people's methods and ideas.
4. Respect the host's view of Christianity recognizing that Christianity has many faces throughout the world and that the purpose of this trip is to experience faith lived out in a new setting.
5. Develop and maintain a servant attitude toward all nationals and my teammates.
6. Respect my team leader(s) and his or her decisions.
7. Refrain from gossip.
8. Refrain from complaining. I know that travel can present numerous unexpected and undesired circumstances, but the rewards of conquering such circumstances are innumerable. Instead of whining and complaining, I'll be creative and supportive.
9. Attend all team meetings before the trip as well as any follow-up meetings.
10. Remember not to be exclusive in my relationships. If my boyfriend/girlfriend or spouse is on the team, we will make every effort to interact with all the members of the team. If I am attracted to a teammate, I will not attempt to pursue a relationship until after we return home.
11. Refrain from any activity that could be construed as romantic interest in a national or teammate.
12. Refrain from illegal drugs and abstain from consumption of alcoholic beverages or the use of tobacco while on this trip.
13. Observe and practice the Statement of Faith included in my Team Member Manual.
14. Refrain from the teaching or practice of any belief that would not be endorsed by the sending church (speaking in tongues, infant baptism, etc.).
15. I agree to abide by the fund-raising procedures endorsed by Cedar Ridge Church and will personally thank all financial donors that contribute to my trip.
16. Remember that I can be sent home if I do not adhere to this Covenant or if my Team Leader believes it is in my best interest or that of the team.

Please sign to show your commitment to this covenant and keep this for your personal reference.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

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Short Term Trip: _____

Personal Data (Please print or type)

Please print name as it appears on your passport.

Legal name: (Last) _____ (First) _____ (Middle) _____

Passport # _____ Exp Date: _____ Issue Date: _____

Address: _____
(Street) (City) (State) (ZIP)

Email Address: _____

Home Phone: () _____ Work Phone: () _____

Mothers Maiden name: _____

Place of Birth: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____

___ Male ___ Female Marital status: ___ S ___ M ___ D ___ W

Do you have a criminal record? ___ Yes ___ No If yes, please explain: _____

T-shirt size ___ Small ___ Medium ___ Large ___ X-Large ___ XX-Large

Ages of children (if applicable): _____

If under 18 years of age — Name(s) of parent(s) or guardian(s): _____

Home Phone: () _____ Work Phone: () _____

Involvement

Do you attend Cedar Ridge Worship services? ___ Yes ___ No How long? _____

Are you a member of Cedar Ridge? ___ Yes ___ No How long? _____

Have you served in a ministry at Cedar Ridge? ___ Yes ___ No

Which ministries? _____ How long? _____

Do you attend a small group? ___ Yes ___ No Who is the leader? _____

What ministries/organizations outside of church are you involved in?

Occupation

Please describe your present employment.

Language Fluency

(Other than English — Please list Language(s), Number of Years, and fluency-fluent, fair, poor)

Skills & Talents

Please write the appropriate CODE next to your skills/talents.

CODES: AVG= Average GOOD = Better than average PROF = Professional

CONSTRUCTION

- _____ A. Carpentry
- _____ B. Painting
- _____ C. Masonry/Carpentry
- _____ D. Roofing
- _____ E. Electrical
- _____ F. Plumbing
- _____ G. Other _____

MEDICAL

- _____ A. Nursing
- _____ B. Physician
- _____ C. Dental
- _____ D. E.M.T.
- _____ E. C.P.R.
- _____ F. Therapy (P.T.; O.T.; other)
- _____ G. Other _____

BUSINESS

- _____ A. Computers
- _____ B. Accounting
- _____ C. Other _____

MUSIC

- _____ A. Instrument (please list) _____
- _____ B. Vocal _____
- _____ C. Other _____

SPORTS

- _____ A. Basketball
- _____ B. Baseball
- _____ C. Soccer
- _____ D. Softball

OTHER PERFORMANCE

- _____ A. Juggling
- _____ B. Clowning
- _____ C. Puppetry
- _____ D. Other _____

Position(s) do you play? _____

Coaching experience? _____

MINISTRY EXPERIENCE

- _____ A. Teaching Ages: _____
- _____ B. V.B.S.
- _____ C. Crafts

Are you comfortable sharing your faith with others? _____ Yes _____ No

Mission Experience

Have you been on a short term mission trip(s) before?

Trip Location(s):

Trip Dates/Year:

Lessons Learned:

My Personal Relationship with Jesus Christ & Mission Goals

1. When did you become a Christian?

2. Describe your personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

3. Why would you like to participate in this trip?

4. What would make this mission trip a success for you?

Medical Information & Release

Name: _____ Birth Date: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Home Phone: () _____ Work Phone: () _____

Medical Insurance Provider: _____

ID # _____ Group # _____

Will your medical insurance cover you out of the country? ____ Yes ____ No

Name of Primary Physician: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: () _____

Emergency Local Contact: _____ Relationship: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Home Phone: () _____ Work Phone: () _____

Please check if you suffer from any of the following medical conditions:

Hypertension Hypoglycemia Bleeding Disorders Heart Disease

Seizures Insect Allergies Asthma Chronic Anxiety

Arthritis Diabetes Depression Glaucoma Migraines

Physical limitations – Please list: _____

List any medications (prescription or OTC) taken on a regular basis:

List Medical & Food Allergies: _____

Blood Type: _____

Have you had any surgery in the past three years: ____ Yes ____ No

If so, please explain: _____

In an emergency, I give my permission to a licensed physician to hospitalize or anesthetize me, or perform surgery on me. I understand that every effort will be made to inform my emergency contact before these actions are taken.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian (under 18) Signature: _____ Date: _____

YOUTH-Release and Idemnification Agreement

The undersigned enters into this Agreement as the parent or legal guardian of the below named minor: _____.

In consideration of the undersigned's application for participation in a mission trip sponsored by Cedar Ridge Christian Church (the "Church") and as an inducement to organizing the mission trip and permitting the undersigned's participation agrees as follows:

The undersigned hereby fully and forever releases and waives and agrees not to cause to be brought any and all claims, demands, actions, or causes of action of every possible kind and nature whatsoever the undersigned might assert, including, without limitation, claims for personal injury, wrongful death, or property damage, whether or not absolute, now or unknown, or otherwise against the Church or any of its trustees, elders, officers, employees, agents and volunteers (collectively referred to herein as the "Releasees") by reason of, arising out of or relating to the undersigned's participation in a church mission trip.

The undersigned further agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the Releasees harmless from damages, including, without limitation, special, incidental and consequential damages, losses or expenses suffered or paid, directly or indirectly, as a result of any and all claims, causes of actions, suits, proceedings, demands, judgments, assessments, and liabilities, including reasonable attorneys' fees incurred in litigation or otherwise, assessed, incurred or sustained by or against the Releasees by reason of, arising out of or relating to the undersigned's participation in a Church mission trip.

The undersigned further agrees that this Release and Indemnification Agreement (the "Agreement") is binding upon the undersigned's heirs, executors, administrators, assigns and legal representatives; that this Agreement releases all successors, assigns and legal representatives of the Releasees; and that this Agreement is to be governed by applicable laws the state..

The undersigned further agrees that the execution of this Agreement is continuing in nature; it is the undersigned's knowing and voluntary act; the undersigned does not intend to participate in the mission trip until and unless the undersigned has had full opportunity to the undersigned's satisfactions to inspect and determine the scope of the mission trip and receive all information from the leader or Church Mission Department which bear on the undersigned's decision to participate; and the undersigned is under no duress or undue influence to execute this Agreement.

The undersigned hereby grants full permission to the Church to use any photographs, videotapes, motion pictures, recordings, or other records or documents of the mission trip and to do so without notice or compensation to the undersigned.

The undersigned acknowledges that the Church has made available applications for travel insurance and agree that it is the undersigned's responsibility to purchase travel insurance. The undersigned assumes responsibility for full payment of the published and announced cost of the mission trip; agree to pay any outstanding balance upon request by the Church; and agree that any and all cost incurred by the undersigned during the mission trip, including, without limitation, costs due to health problems, emergencies and death, are the responsibility of the undersigned or estate of the undersigned.

The undersigned certifies that the information provided in the undersigned's application for participation in the Church mission trip is true, complete and correct and acknowledges that the undersigned has read and understands this Agreement; that the undersigned has not relied in signing this agreement on any statement, oral or otherwise, by the Church; and that it is the undersigned's intention with this Agreement to make a complete, general and unconditional release of any and all claims whatsoever against the Releasees as set forth above.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned hereby executes this Agreement on the date set forth below:

Date: _____

Parent or Legal Guardian: _____

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Trip Name: _____