



Short Term Missions Team Member Application Packet

Thank you for your interest in The Park Church short-term missions!

In this application packet you will find:

- Short Term Team Member Application
- Short Term Team Financial Policies
- Medical Information Form
- Release of Liability Form

It is very important that you read each document thoroughly and provide your signature in the areas noted.

Your application is not considered completed until all of the above documents have been completed and submitted to The Park Church Director of Missions along with the required non-refundable \$50 trip deposit (payable to The Park Church) at:

ATTN: Director of Mission, CC502
The Park Church
800 Briar Creek Road
Charlotte, NC 28205

If you have any questions about these documents or short-term missions at The Park Church, please contact Robert Ivy at (704) 919-2083 or rivy@upbc.org.

To the Ends of the Earth,


Robert Ivy
Director of Missions

Trips for 2015

Kenya, June 14–24

This trip is designed primarily for men and will involve evangelism, teaching on issues that are practical for men, and some light construction. You will spend time both in the slums of Nairobi and in more remote Kenyan villages. You will stay in a nice guest house in Nairobi and make day trips to perform your ministry. We will perform this mission in partnership with our missionaries in Kenya, Rev. Pass and Rev. Crawley.

Approximate Cost: \$3,000

Belize, June 27–July 6

This trip is designed primarily for the youth but we also need adult chaperones. Any youth age 13 and up may apply. This team will go to Belize to partner with a local church for the purposes of outreach and discipleship. You will learn about Belizean culture by staying with families and getting to know your peers and you will help the church to conduct a summer youth outreach in its area.

Approximate Cost: \$1,800

Haiti, August 8–14

This trip will go to Haiti in an area near Port-au-Prince to work at an orphanage and help in various ways. This trip is open to whoever would like to go, including couples and families. Much of our time will be dedicated to simply visiting the orphans by playing games with them, doing crafts, and eating meals together. Some time will also be spent on improving the condition of the orphanage through performing cleaning and maintenance and possible light construction. James 1:27 says, “Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, to keep oneself unstained from the world.”

Approximate Cost: \$1,400

Team Member Application

Missions Ministry
The Park Church
800 Briar Creek Road
Charlotte, NC 28205
Phone: (704) 919-2083



Application Date: _____ Applying for which team/location: _____

Personal Information

Please type or print FULL LEGAL NAME (as it appears in your passport).

Name: _____
(last) (first) (middle)

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Work Phone: (____) _____ Cell Phone: (____) _____

E-Mail: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: _____

Marital Status (please circle): *Single Engaged Married Widowed Separated Divorced*

Passport Number/Issue Date: _____

Place of Issue (City/State): _____

Passport Expiration Date: _____

Relationship to The Park Church

Check one and complete the requested information

Member since _____ (month/yr) and have attended since _____ (month/yr)

Regular attender and active in church since _____ (month/yr)

Occasional or non-involved church attender

Involved in a church other than The Park Church (specify church _____)

List three people to serve as references. If involved in a church, one must be a member or minister at that church.

1. _____
(name) (email) (phone number) (relationship)

2. _____
(name) (email) (phone number) (relationship)

3. _____
(name) (email) (phone number) (relationship)

List The Park Church ministries that you have been involved with, both past and present (include length of involvement for each ministry and ministry leader).

Ministry Experience

List the cross-cultural and short-term experience you have had (beginning with the most recent and going back chronologically), indicating the length of each, the organizer's name, and a team leader we can communicate with.

List any foreign languages you speak and how well (i.e., little, conversational, fluent):

Personal Background

Describe how you came to trust Christ as your Savior. (You may use additional sheets of paper if needed.)

Describe your current practice of devotions—Bible study and prayer to continue your relationship with Christ and for personal growth and guidance.

Describe how you would explain the gospel to a non-believer.

What Christian books or periodicals have you read recently?

If you have had previous cross-cultural missions experiences, either in the U.S. or abroad, how has it impacted your faith.

Short Term Team Financial Policies

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Deposit Information

Please include your non-refundable deposit in the amount of \$50.00 with this application form. Make check payable to The Park Church or pay online by going to theparkministries.org. If you are accepted, this amount will go toward your trip cost.

Payment Schedule

After the \$50.00 deposit is paid by each individual, the following payment plan will apply:
50% of the balance due 60 days before the team leaves.
80% from each team member due 30 days before the team leaves.
100% of the balance due 10 days before the team leaves.

Note: Any extra support raised will not be refunded (this is required by tax law for nonprofits)

Disclaimers

___ Neither the travel agency nor The Park Church will be responsible for extra, unforeseen trip expenses. Should these occur, they will be passed along to the traveler.

___ I will agree to return home at my own expense if the team leadership determines that my behavior is or has been inappropriate.

___ If I decide to cancel my participation on a team after airline tickets have been purchased, I agree to reimburse The Park Church for that cancellation expense.

In submitting this application...

- I am expressing my agreement with The Park Church's statement of "What we believe." (viewable online under the "About" tab of our website)
- I will, Lord willing, attend all training sessions and complete all training requirements.
- I whole-heartedly submit to the team leadership and will follow their direction and instruction.
- I am willing to work under the direction of missionaries and national pastors to accept and to perform any and all assignments cheerfully.
- I will be flexible in my attitude; adjusting my demeanor, posture, and manner as needed.
- I am willing to conform to the standards of the national Christians, even if those standards are stricter than my own.
- I have read and agree to the above deposit and payment information.
- I have read and agree to the above disclaimers.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Your expectations greatly influence the success of a short term missions trip. Over the months ahead, the training you will receive will help refine your expectations. We would like your initial thoughts (use additional sheets of paper if needed).


Why are you applying for this team?

What impact are you anticipating that this trip will have on your relationship with God?

How do you think your involvement will strengthen the team?

Describe the type of relationships you hope to build with the people you will be ministering to:

What impact do you expect the team will have?

<h2 style="margin: 0;">Medical Information</h2> <p style="margin: 5px 0;">Missions Ministry The Park Church 800 Briar Creek Road Charlotte, NC 28205 Phone: (704) 919-2083</p>	
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Name: _____

Medical Insurance *Note: Everyone will be required to purchase short-term travel health insurance.*

Insured name _____ *Membership Number* _____

Group Number _____ *Company Name* _____ *Company Phone Number* _____

In Case of Emergency Please Notify	Alternate
<p>_____</p> <p><i>Name</i> _____ <i>Relationship</i> _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p><i>Address</i> _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p><i>City/State/Zip</i> _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p><i>Home Phone</i> _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p><i>Work Phone</i> _____</p>	<p>_____</p> <p><i>Name</i> _____ <i>Relationship</i> _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p><i>Address</i> _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p><i>City/State/Zip</i> _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p><i>Home Phone</i> _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p><i>Work Phone</i> _____</p>

YES	NO	<i>(please use an extra sheet of paper if you require additional space)</i>
		1. Are you currently ill or undergoing any medical treatment (including medications)? Explain:
		2. Do you have allergies (foods, medications, hay fever, etc.)? Explain:
		3. Do you have any daily mandatory medical needs (including medications)? Explain:
		4. Are you in any way physically or mentally handicapped? If so, explain:
		5. Do you have back problems? If so, explain:
		6. Do you have any problems not already mentioned which might hinder you during this missions trip? Explain:
		7. Do you have any special dietary needs/requirements? Explain:
		8. What is your blood type?
		9. Is your tetanus shot current? Date of last tetanus shot:

The Park Church
Adult Short-Term Missions Trip
Release of Liability

I realize and acknowledge that my participation in a mission trip to a foreign country includes many risks and possible dangers. I am well aware that my travel to a foreign country exposes me to risks including, but not limited to accidents, disease, war, political unrest, and natural disasters.

I expressly agree that all activities associated with the short term missions trip sponsored by The Park Church to _____ from _____ to _____ are undertaken by me at my sole risk, and that The Park Church, its servants, officers, employees, or agents, shall not be liable for any claims, demands, injuries, damages, or causes of action to me or my personal property arising out the above-described activities associated with the above-described short term ministry trip and I hereby expressly forever release and discharge The Park Church, its servants, officers, employees, or agents from all such claims, demands, injuries, damages, or causes of action arising from acts of active or passive negligence on the part of The Park Church, its servants, officers, agents, or employees.

Signed: _____
Team Member's signature

Date: _____

The Park Church
Short-Term Missions Trip
Release of Liability for Minors

In signing this form, I, _____, the parent and/or legal guardian of _____ (team member's name), agree to hold The Park Church, its officers, employees, or other agents liable for injury, loss, damage, or accident arising out of the church's negligence or that negligence of its officers, employees or other agents that I (and my minor children participating with me—listed below) might encounter while on one of its mission trips to _____ from _____ to _____.

I realize and acknowledge that my (and my minor child's/children's) participation in a mission trip to a foreign country includes many risks and possible dangers. I am well aware that my travel to a foreign country exposes me to such risks as accidents, disease, war, political unrest, injury from construction projects, and other calamities.

I hereby assume risks that might result from my travel to a foreign country, and I agree to hold The Park Church, its officers, employees, or other agents blameless for liability concerning my personal health and well-being arising out of The Park Church's negligence, and liability for my personal property that might be lost, damaged, or stolen while on a mission trip arising of The Park Church's negligence.

I also give permission for my child to travel with an assigned staff member from The Park Church outside the United States of America, and give that person permission to administer medical care in the case of an emergency.

I have carefully read the foregoing and I understand that my signature herein hold The Park Church, its officers, employees, or other agents harmless for liability for injury, damage, loss, accident, delay, or irregularity in schedule arising out of the church's negligence or the negligence of its officers, employees, or other agent.

Parent or Guardian's signature

Date

Minor Child Participating (under 18 years of age):

Name

Date of Birth

Notarization

In the state of _____ in the county of _____, this instrument was signed, attested, and acknowledged before me on _____ by _____.

Notary Signature

Date