



**CENTRAL ASIA 09**  
**SHORT-TERM MISSION TRIP APPLICATION**  
**FIRST EVANGELICAL CHURCH**

## GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

We are delighted that you are considering a short-term mission trip, and we would like to do all we can to assist you so that you will have a positive and blessed experience. Several important steps are listed here that will enable us to help you. Please give careful attention to these matters.

1. Please pray about your involvement on this Missions Trip.
2. Fill out the application (pages 2-4) and turn into the College Pastor.
3. There are two copies of the financial agreement policy (pages 5-6). After reading, please sign page 5, submit it along with your application, and keep page 6 for your own records.
4. Please include the \$250 non-refundable deposit with the submittal of your application. This deposit serves as a down payment and reserves your spot on the Team. This money is not transferable, it is your commitment to participate. In the event that you are not selected as a team member, your deposit will be refunded.
5. Applications need to be submitted by October 12<sup>th</sup>, late applications will only be accepted as necessary to fill openings on teams.
6. After reviewing your application, the College Ministry and Mission's office will contact you to set up an interview.

## THE TEAM

This trip will consist of two 10 person teams. Team 1's trip dates are approximately March 6<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> and Team 2's dates are March 13<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>. These dates correspond to your Spring Break so please apply for the team matching your break. We are restricted to 10 people per team so spots are limited.

## TRIP COST

The Total Cost of the Trip will be \$2500, this will include all transportation, food, and lodging while overseas. It will also help to offset some training costs, such as the cost of materials.

## FUND RAISING

The College Ministry will be working with team members to help raise funds. The participants will be expected to send prayer/support letters to friends and family members. In addition, we will be providing a number of team opportunities to raise additional funds. It is important for you to know up front that you are responsible for raising the entire portion of your support. Please read over the financial agreement on pages 5-6.

APPLICANT'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

### GENERAL INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ (hm) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

University/Occupation and year in school:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Which week are you applying for: (what is your Spring Break?)

Team 1 (approximately March 6<sup>th</sup> - March 14<sup>th</sup>) Christian Brothers, Crichton, Southwest

Team 2 (approximately March 13<sup>th</sup> - March 21<sup>st</sup>) Memphis, Rhodes

What is your relationship with First Evangelical Church?

Member      Church Attender      Renown Attender      Other

If you have a different Church home, what is it?

Does your family attend First Evangelical Church?     Yes     No

Do you have a valid passport?     Yes     No

If "yes", list # and expiration date. If "no", please get an application from the post office if you are accepted and submit it promptly).

Give the name, address and phone number of two people (not relatives) as references who could give an honest evaluation of your relationship with Jesus Christ and preparedness for missions.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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**MISSION TRIP INFORMATION**

1. Give a brief description of how and when you trusted Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. How has your faith grown in the last year?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. Give a brief description of your experience in ministry or Christian service.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. What are some of your personal strengths/weaknesses?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
5. Give a brief description of any previous cross-cultural experience.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
6. What types of ministries or outreach activities do you anticipate being involved in during this trip? Are there any types of ministries or outreach activities in which you are not able to participate? If so, please explain.

APPLICANT'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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7. Have you been on a mission trip before?  Yes  No  
Where/when?

8. Why do you want to go on this trip?

9. How do you feel the Lord could use this trip in your life?

10. What do your parents think of your involvement with missions?

11. Are you willing to attend the four (4) pre-field and one (1) post-field meeting required for the successful execution of this short-term mission?

Yes  No

12. Are there any medical, psychological or emotional concerns that we need to be aware of? Please explain.

13. Are you currently taking any prescription medication or are you under a doctor's care? Please explain.

14. Do you have any allergies or special dietary restrictions?

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1. Through the regular giving and stewardship of the church, the Mission Board is able to fund missionaries and/or mission projects. There are times when the Board may also be able to provide a small subsidy to short-term mission trips. The primary funding mechanisms for short-term mission trip participants are through your own personal resources, team fund-raising events and asking others within your circle of relationships to join with you in this mission work. We have found that these processes ultimately engage more people in missions.
2. Short-term missions is about spreading the good news of who Jesus Christ is and what He has done in our lives. While it may sound difficult for each team member to be financially responsible for providing and/or raising the entire complement of his support, please realize that the process of raising funds for a short-term mission is a means of communicating to others your desire to serve the Lord in this particular capacity. As you write your prayer letter to your support team, you can include the invitation to contribute financially toward the short-term mission expenses.
3. Pray earnestly that God would put it on the hearts of others to join with you as committed prayer and/or financial partners. Ask the Lord whom He would have you include on your mailing list. These letters give people an opportunity to receive a blessing: *It is more blessed to give than to receive (Acts 20:35)*. Giving also engages their hearts with you in prayer in a deep way: *Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also (Matthew 6:21)*.
4. In order to apply for assistance from the Church Mission Board, your team leader must submit a Team Funding Request. The Team Leader will turn in this request six weeks prior to the departure date. Please understand that the Church Mission Board may approve the funding request in full, in part, or not at all. Factors considered by the Board include the amount of the need, the level of support-raising effort expended by the team, the strategic nature of the mission, potential partnership with First Evan missionaries and available monies in the Missions fund.

**Again, please know that we are praying for you as you trust God for all you need financially, emotionally, and spiritually.**

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