



Short Term

Mission Team Member Application

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Please Complete in Black or Blue ink - PRINT CLEARLY

Thank you so much for your interest in joining a short term mission team from Charter Oak Church. Your life will be forever impacted by allowing yourself to be involved with what God is doing in many places all over the world. We hope this is just a small step on your way to having a Missions Mindset – where missions become part of every aspect of your life.

We want you to know the process for being selected to join a team. Filling out the application is the first step, but does not guarantee your spot on a team.

1. Fill out the Short-term Missions Application in its entirety.
2. An interview with the Missions Pastor will be required. This interview will help put together the team best equipped for the trip. You will be contacted to schedule the interview.

Once you have been selected to be part of the team, a \$100 deposit will be required to secure your spot. Later, if you need to withdraw from the team, you will be responsible for any costs that have been incurred (such as airline tickets).

We will work with you throughout the entire process to ensure a trip that brings glory to God alone, beneficial to those on the mission field, and is enjoyable for you.

Return completed application to the Trip Team Leader.

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Which trip are you interested in? _____ Trip Dates _____

Personal

Full legal name as it appears on your passport:

Mr./Mrs./Miss _____
(first) (Middle) (last) (name you go by, if different)

Address _____

City _____ State/Prov. _____ Zip/Postal code _____

Cell Phone (required) _____ Home phone _____

Marital status: Single Married Spouse's name _____

Email address _____

Date of birth: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____ Age _____ Male Female

T-shirt size: small medium Large XXLarge XXXLarge

Citizenship _____ Languages spoken & degree of fluency _____

If you are employed, where _____

You're Occupation _____

List your skills and hobbies _____

Travel (*international trips only*)

Have you traveled internationally before? No Yes

Name place(s) _____

Do you currently have: Certified birth certificate? No Yes
Current passport? No Yes

Passport # _____

Issued _____ Expires _____
Month / Day / Year Month / Day / Year

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History

Briefly describe any major life changes you have gone through recently (e.g., job or family changes, illness, injury, and death of relative or close friend, etc.)

Engaging in short-term missions requires that you are in sound emotional, physical, and spiritual health. Would any of the above changes interfere with your ability to fulfill your commitment on this short-term mission trip?

Church Background

1. Charter Oak Church Affiliation: Member Regular Attendee Other

If other than member, please read church Vision, Mission & Values statements.

Are you in agreement with it? Yes No

2. Have you come to a point in your life that you know if you were to die you would go to heaven?

No Yes I think so

3. Some depend on their good works to get into heaven (loving your neighbor, going to church, keeping the commandments, etc.). Some are depending on Christ plus their good works, and some are depending on Christ alone. Which of the following choices reflects your understanding of salvation? (circle one)

I don't know

I'm depending on Christ plus my good works

I'm depending on my good works

I'm depending on Christ alone

4. If you have come to know Christ as your personal Savior, how and where did you take that step?

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Mission Service

1. Previous destinations you have visited on short-term missions? _____

2. Why do you want to participate in this mission? _____

3. What are some of your concerns about joining this team? _____

4. How does your immediate family feel about you going on a short-term mission trip? _____

5. Describe a properly functioning "team": _____

6. What does the Bible say about missions? _____

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7. What would you say to someone who asked you WHY they should become a follower of Christ?

8. What would you say to someone who asked you HOW they could become a follower of Christ?

Financial Support

Anyone desiring to participate in a short-term mission trip is expected to provide a minimum of 50% of their own funding so you have ownership and a sense of "it cost me" for the trip. The primary source of funding should be the participant's own resources.

Photo and Video Permission

My permission is granted for Charter Oak Church to videotape or photograph me during activities associated to this mission trip. I understand these photos may be used as church promotional materials.

Team Covenant

1. 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.'
2. Respect my team leader(s) and his or her decisions.
3. Refrain from gossip
4. Attend all team meetings.
5. Refrain from illegal drugs and abstain from consumption of alcoholic beverages or the use of tobacco while on this trip.
6. 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.

Basic Requirements

1. Be active at Charter Oak Church at least one year prior to the date of departure.
2. Be at least 18 years old and/or meet other age requirements.
3. Participate in required training by Charter Oak Church.
4. Attend all trip meetings. Absences must be cleared with the Trip Team Leader.
5. Participate in the Charter Oak Church missions fundraising events.

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Risk Statement

This Risk Statement is to advise participants of the potential risks involved in living and working in unfamiliar, distressed or third world developing nations and to realize and take full responsibility for the consequences as one assumes those risks. Living and working in other cultures carries with it certain risks not found or associated with work in an industrialized nation such as the United States. These risks can include hazards to both your person and property through cross-cultural offenses, accident, disease, criminal, terrorist acts, weather conditions or inadequate medical services and supplies. There can be added emotional and physical stress due to loneliness, culture stress and long hours. We realize that it is not possible for us to predict, or fully prepare you for every circumstance you will face. However, it is our goal to advise all members of Charter Oak and all participants in Charter Oak missions of the assumed risks associated with mission work in a foreign area, state or country and Charter Oak's policies, through this Risk Statement. We ask that you gather as much information as you feel necessary and, when you are completely satisfied and confident that this is what God wants you to do, read this form and if you agree, sign and return the application form. Keep a copy of this form for your records.

Charter Oak Church will not assign any member or participant to a particular ministry or area against their will. This means the final choice of ministry and area of service rests ultimately with you. Leadership may, in fellowship with you, give direction in areas of need and availability of programs but the final decision on service or participation in a program rests with you. Should you feel at any time that your area of service is no longer appropriate, you have full right to end your service and return to your passport country at your own cost and risk.

In the event of an emergency that requires medical services while on the field, all reasonable efforts will be made to provide the necessary service. If an evacuation is needed for more specialized care than is available in the designated area of ministry, that will be coordinated with and under the direction of the medical/evacuation insurance provider that is required for your participation in the Charter Oak mission trip.

You will be required to adhere to the list of immunizations and vaccinations before you travel to the country of ministry.

Special Note:

In view of the fact that many insurgent, guerrilla, and criminal groups commit crimes of kidnapping or other forms of criminal extortion as a means for demanding the payment of ransom, it is important that you understand Charter Oak's policy in this area. We are deeply concerned for the well being of each of our members, and will pray and labor diligently for the release of any member taken hostage. However, it is the policy that "Charter Oak Church opposes the payment of ransom in any form, cash, commodities or services." Therefore members and participants in Charter Oak missions should not assume that ransom will be paid for their release. Charter Oak requires that, as part of the post-crisis de-briefing, all members who were held hostage be interviewed by a counselor approved by Church Counsel of Charter Oak.

Liability and Waiver Release

In consideration of me or my minor aged child being allowed to participate in the trip sponsored by Charter Oak, its partners and/or agents and in consideration of the benefits to be derived there from, I or my minor aged child hereby release Charter Oak, its partners and/or agents and their present and former elders, pastors, directors, employees, agents and their heirs, administrators, executors, successors, and assigns from all claims and liabilities of any kind, whether known or unknown, which arise from or are connected in any way with my participation or the participation of any member of my family including my spouse or minor child, in an Charter Oak sponsored mission trip. I recognize that the conditions in some of the places to which I, my spouse, or my child will travel may not be of the same standard as the conditions to which I or my minor aged child is accustomed. I or my minor aged child further realizes that there are certain health risks as well as other risks to personnel and property, and I enter into participation in this trip and agree to the participation of my spouse or minor child with knowledge of those risks. If for any reason I, my spouse, or my child is unable to complete the planned stay on the mission trip, I assume full responsibility for all expenses incurred for my return home.

In the event of an emergency, I hereby authorize a leader of this trip, as an agent for me or my spouse or my child to consent to: any x-ray examination; medical, dental or surgical diagnosis; anesthesia; treatments; hospital care advised and supervised by a physician, surgeon or dentist (as appropriate). I expect my family to be contacted as soon as possible. This is only for emergency situations should the individual being incapable of making rational decisions, or is a minor whose parents cannot be immediately reached. In any situation, every effort will be made immediately to reach the person to contact listed on the application.

Signature Sheet

Signatures below will indicate the following:

- All the information I have provided in this application is true to the best of my knowledge.
- I have read the Charter Oak Church's statements of Mission, Vision and Values and agree to respect it in all regards.
- Having read the Risk Statement, I am aware of the hazards and risks to my person and property associated with serving overseas in a mission's capacity.
- This is to certify that I will not hold Charter Oak liable for injury, disease, or delay of return, or any other claims, while undertaking a Short Term Mission trip with Charter Oak.
- I understand and accept the Charter Oak policy regarding ransom payments described in the Risk Statement.
- I bear the full responsibility for all costs incurred on my behalf, even if I withdraw from the team at a later date.
- I understand that donated funds sent in to Charter Oak for the trip realized are not refundable.

All the information I have provided in this application is true to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant's signature _____ Date _____

(If the person signing is under age 18, a parent or legal guardian must sign below)

I hereby certify that I am the parent or legal guardian of the individual named above, and I give my consent without reservation to the foregoing on behalf of him or her.

Name of Parent or Guardian (Please Print)

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date

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HEALTH INFORMATION

Height: _____ Weight: _____ Blood Type: _____ Date of last Tetanus Shot: _____

Person to contact in case of emergency:

Name _____ Relationship _____

Address _____

Cell Phone (required) (_____) _____ Home Phone (_____) _____

1. Have you recently suffered a serious illness, had surgery performed or been hospitalized?
 No Yes, explain _____
2. Do you have any known allergies? No Yes (please list) _____
3. Are you pregnant? No Yes, Due date: _____
4. Do you have any dietary restrictions, food allergies, or convictions regarding types of food?
 No Yes, explain _____
5. Are you currently using any medications? (Include prescription and non-prescription drugs, dietary supplements, herbs, etc.)
 No Yes, describe _____
6. Are you currently receiving medical treatment or under medical observation?
 No Yes, explain _____
7. Have you ever been treated for (or are now suffering from) emotional difficulties? (eating disorders, depression, anxiety, phobias, etc.)
 No Yes, explain _____
8. Do you have any other limitations or significant health conditions which might affect your involvement with missions or which you believe your physician would want us to know about?
 No Yes, explain _____
9. Do you have a communicable disease? No Yes _____
10. Do you have any chest, back, or joint pain? No Yes, describe _____
11. Do you have any limitations to strenuous physical work? No Yes, what? _____
12. Have you been exposed to the potential for the transmissions of HIV/AIDS?
 No Yes If yes, have you been tested? No Yes, results _____
13. Do you regularly use: Tobacco Alcohol Other (please specify)? _____
14. Do you have medical coverage? No Yes
15. What is the name of your provider? _____

Physician's Name: _____ Office Phone: (_____) _____ - _____