

WHAT FIELD DO YOU WISH TO SERVE? (List any others if interested in more than one.)

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

TENTATIVE DATES YOU DESIRE TO SERVE:

Purpose to be fulfilled:

- Prayer Team
- Construction Team
- Evangelism
- Leadership Development
- Vision Trip
- Language Learning
- Other_____

Is this application a first contact with EFM or missionary? If not, please state briefly what plans are in progress.

During and after the trip will you prayerfully seek God's will about becoming a career missionary?

Will you prayerfully consider becoming a regular financial supporter of this mission field in the months and years after your return home?

You will be responsible for all of your travel and living expenses. How much money do you already have saved for this purpose?

Are you willing to raise additional funds?

WORK/SCHOOL:

Are you attending school?

Where?

What year are you in?

Are you working?

Where?
Position?

GENERAL EXPERIENCE:

Have you ever traveled outside the US?

When, how long, and where?

HEALTH:

Describe any physical handicaps, chronic illnesses, or other health limitations:

CHRISTIAN EXPERIENCE:

What does Jesus Christ mean to you personally? Do you know Him to be your Lord and Savior and Friend?

What are your personal habits of prayer and devotional Bible study?

In what ways have you helped others find Jesus Christ as personal Lord and Savior?

When did you last share your faith with a non-Christian?

What are your greatest strengths and your greatest weaknesses?

Explain your call to this short-term ministry. Why do you think God wants you to do this?

List cross-cultural experiences you have had, including within the United States.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The following people will need to serve as references and give their recommendation for this mission trip. As a matter of courtesy, you should contact each person whose name you give as a reference. Please include full address, phone number, and e-mail address if they have one.

Pastor's name E-mail

Address Phone

One personal reference E-mail

Address Phone

Missionary Lifestyle Policy

Because EFM bases its acceptable standards of behavior on organizational and individual commitments to God and to the Bible, and is committed to biblically based lifestyles of morality, marital fidelity, and faith, all missionaries will be held to a high standard of conduct. Because these standards are based on biblical principles, acceptable behavior for our missionaries will differ from that considered acceptable by society in general.

a. Believers are commanded to avoid all appearance of evil and we are not “to cause a weaker brother to stumble.” Hence the missionary must conduct himself in a manner that is above reproach and be an example of godly living. This principle is lived out through two different approaches.

The first has to do with behaviors clearly prohibited by scripture—drunkenness, immorality, homosexual behavior, greed, dishonesty and anything that destroys the body are just a few examples. With biblically prohibited behaviors, the Board expects the Director to initiate a disciplinary process that has as its first objective repentance and restitution. This process may include the missionary being placed on leave of absence. It also may include, after consultation with the Executive Committee, the possibility of immediate dismissal.

The second level has to do with conduct not explicitly forbidden by scripture, and may include some behaviors that are practiced by some as a matter of Christian freedom—consumption of alcohol or tobacco, gambling and some aspects of entertainment might be included in this list. The Board affirms freedom of conscience for those who follow Christ. It also recognizes that Christian leaders must embrace the extraordinary privilege of setting aside some behaviors—including those listed above—as a witness to their destructive character and eliminate any chance of being a stumbling block to the weak. It should be clear that because alcohol and tobacco consumption, drug use, pornography and gambling often wreck devastating consequences on both individuals and society; and because Christian leaders have a responsibility to provide models for overcoming those consequences, the Board stands for abstinence from these practices. The Board envisions that the Director counsel with missionaries regarding these (or other potentially questionable) behaviors as a way to examine more deeply this leadership responsibility in the missionaries’ specific context. If necessary, the Director may ask the Executive Board to consider a specific circumstance and then provide direction to the missionary regarding the behavior in question. The missionary is expected to abide by the Board’s decision or resign.

A \$75.00 non-refundable application fee (per person) is required when you send in your application. If you are given and accept a position with EFM, the fee will go toward your support.

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I have read the EFM Missionary Lifestyle Policy. If approved for this ministry I will live by it. I understand that if I break any of the policies, go against mission leadership or am uncooperative, I may be sent home.

Signature

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“Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts...”

--Colossians 3:15

“Seek God’s peace first, then His direction”

--C. W. Perry

What does it take to become a missionary?

1. God’s call
Samuel, Jeremiah, Saul of Tarsus – dramatic calls
Stephen, Barnabas, Timothy – quiet calls with dramatic results
2. A model or a mentor
Jesus and the Twelve (and the Seventy)
Paul and his team
Philip and his daughters (Acts 21:8-9)
3. A spiritual gift
Everyone has one or more spiritual gifts
Some have gifts for “public ministry”
Apostles = leaders; prophets = preachers; evangelists = witnesses; pastors = shepherds; teachers = instructors

What is my SHAPE? (See Rick Warren, *Purpose Driven Life*, pp. 236ff)

S – spiritual gifts

H – heart

A – abilities

P – personality

E – experience

Have you started anything from scratch? Have you reared a family? Can you sell things? Have you ever coached a team? Have you managed a business? Have you been on a short term missions team?

How do I know God’s will for my life?

1. God’s Spirit
As you surrender fully to God’s will, the Holy Spirit will guide and direct your ways. (Proverbs 3:5-6, Romans 12:1-2, Galatians 5:25)
2. God’s Word
The Holy Spirit never contradicts the written Word of God. The heart of the Lamb is for every tribe, language, people and nation. (Rev. 5, 7)
3. God’s Works
Look for answers to prayer, divine appointments, unique circumstances
4. God’s People
Listen to the wise. Consider a Meeting for Clearness.

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