

Sample Application & Getting Started

Briefly describe prior mission trip and/or cross cultural experience

Briefly describe why you want to go on this mission trip

Briefly describe your spiritual journey.

Getting Started

Publicity

- Announce your trip at Underground
 - Posters
 - Announcements
 - Missions Brochure
- Schedule an informative meeting as soon as possible
- Get names and phone numbers of people interested

First Steps

- Pray!
 - Potential team members
 - Details
 - Children at the orphanage
 - The ministry there
- Decide the dates of your trip as quickly as possible, so that they can be included in the publicity
- Have a price estimate for your trip as soon as possible
- Start searching for best travel options – renting a van, or plane tickets (if flying, start looking for good deals online – Southwest has great specials). Consider this when setting a price estimate. Remember the earlier you order tickets, the sooner you will have to pay for them. Take this into consideration when setting up a timeline for deposits.
- Start talking to your Contact person about what you need to take care of on your end of the trip and what things they will be taking care of. Keep a list of questions to ask next time you talk or email.
- Set up a weekly meeting time in the Spring Semester. Stick to it! This is so important in creating good team dynamics before the trip.
- Have Team Members fill out a weekly calendar so you can figure out when the best time for a team meeting would be.
- Start scheduling outreaches as soon as you can so that they won't have to be scheduled for several weekends in a row – this can burn you out.
- Be honest with your team about the size of commitment you are requiring of them. Explain logistics about money. Good communication with your team is essential to a good trip.