

Beacon of Hope International

Short-Term Team Member Application

*Thank you for considering being part of this team!
Please fill out the following questions prayerfully.
We appreciate your honesty and will prayerfully consider the application.*

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone and E-mail: _____

Do you have a passport, if so, please list #: _____

How is your name printed on your passport? _____

Have you participated in a short-term trip in the past? If so, please list: _____

Describe briefly your heart for missions and why you desire to be a part of this team: _____

How has God lead you to be part of this team: _____

Describe your personal quiet times: _____

Are you involved in a church small/home group? _____

Please list the strengths that you feel God has equipped you with to be a part of this

team: _____

Please list some of your weaknesses and areas where you may need training/help: _____

How are you sharing your faith with the people God has placed around you today? _____

What areas are you most concerned about with this trip? How can we pray for you, encourage you and equip you?

Are you currently financially supporting a missionary family? _____

Please rate yourself honestly in the following areas: (1 being weakest, 5 being strongest):

_____ Flexibility	_____ Team player
_____ Open-mindedness	_____ Endurance
_____ Self-initiative	_____ Prayerful
_____ Humility	_____ Submissive to authority
_____ Listener	_____ Counselor
_____ Teacher	_____ Evangelist
_____ Teachable	_____ Sense of humor

Do you have any health issues or other issues we should be aware of: _____

Does your health insurance cover overseas emergency health needs : _____ Yes/No

If Yes, please provide the following information:

Name of Insurance Carrier: _____

Insurance Policy Number: _____

Name of primary Insured Person on this policy: _____

Contact number for International Coverage Authorization: _____

If No, travel insurance to cover medical and certain unforeseen travel expenses will be purchased on your behalf by Beacon of Hope. The cost is about \$35 per team member and this amount will be collected with your initial deposit upon acceptance into the team:

*Thank you for filling out this questionnaire.
Your application will be prayerfully considered
by the Beacon of Hope International board.
Your team leader will contact you soon to set up an interview.*

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Short-Term Missions Team Member Covenant

If my application for this trip is accepted, before we leave I fully agree to:

1. Pray regularly for my team leader and team members.
2. Attend all team meetings.
3. Fulfill all preparation and logistical requirements (such as writing support letters within the required time frame, applying for passports, etc.).

I recognize that there is an incredible value in team unity and fully agree to:

1. Prefer others – I will strive to lay down my rights and consider others before myself (Philippians 2:3).
2. Be a peacemaker – I will be careful not be contentious or argumentative.
3. Understand different personalities, backgrounds and weaknesses – through Christ will give grace and understanding to my leaders and team members when I see areas of weakness or differences.

And when in the field I fully agree to:

1. Remember that I am a guest in a foreign country. If my hosts are offended by something I do, I will do everything possible to correct the situation (ie. Cover bare arms, exposed legs, etc.).
2. Remember that I am a learner, not a teacher or instructor. I may see procedures that seem inefficient to me, but I will not tell our hosts “how we do things in the states.” I will be open to their ideas and ways and sincerely interested in learning about their culture.
3. Respect the host’s view of Christianity. I realize that I am to live out my faith in a new setting.
4. Respect my team leaders and their decisions.
5. Refrain from complaining and look instead for rewards that come when dealing with undesirable or unexpected circumstances.
6. Refrain from making jokes about things that I don’t understand.
7. Be sensitive to male/female dynamics. I will be careful not to be alone with a member of the opposite sex at any time (other than spouse). I will not be flirtatious with other team members or people we meet in the country. I will abide by the appropriate cultural behaviors of the country (how to greet, address members of the opposite sex, etc.).
8. Represent my Savior, Jesus, and Christian Church with integrity.
9. Abstain from the consumption of alcoholic beverages and use of tobacco during the entire trip.

Abstinence:

The primary purpose of all mission trips is to encourage all that we come in contact with to commit to a life lived in service and gratitude to our Lord Jesus Christ. The next core focus of our current mission activity is to educate young adults of the extreme danger of having illicit sex with multiple partners and encouraging them to make the following pledge of abstinence.

Because I, _____ have been created by God, I know that my life has value. I want to follow His plan for my life and I promise to practice abstinence until marriage.

We feel that it is hypocritical for any one of us to be in front of a class of students encouraging them to a life of abstinence while we are not doing the same ourselves. Also, we do not want the personal actions of individual team members to be a stumbling block for God to bless our activity and the outcome of our mission.

For this reason we will assume that if have signed the team member covenant below, that will signify to us that you will comply with the following team pledge.

Team Member Abstinence Pledge:

If you are married you pledge that you are and will continue to remain faithful to your marriage partner. If you are single that you will pledge to remain abstinent until you do get married and then remain faithful to your marriage partner.

Signed

Date