



SERVE

Denton Bible Church Missions

2017 Short Term Mission Team Application

Please complete this application, bring it by the SERVE office or mail to:

DBC Missions
2300 E. University Drive
Denton, TX 76209

We request all applicants to complete the application packet to participate with a Short Term Team in 2017. If you are a current student of BTCP or Women's BTCL, we have your testimony and references on file; please note this on the appropriate page and you will not need to complete those pages.

Name:

Preferred Trip:

Best Phone:

940.297.6870

missions@dentonbible.org

Personal Information

Name: _____

Mailing Street: _____

Home Phone: _____

City, State ZIP: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email address: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Passport Name

If you have a current passport, please provide a copy with your application. If you have to renew/get a passport, please provide your name as it will appear on your passport

Health Questionnaire	No	Yes - Please explain
Do you have any ongoing medical conditions?		
Do you take any prescription medications regularly?		
Do you have any dietary restrictions?		
Do you have any emotional or mental conditions that require professional help?		
Have you had any major illnesses in the past year?		
Allergies (including drugs)		

Emergency Contacts

Name	Relationship	
Street		
City	State	Zip
Home Phone ()	Work Phone ()	
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Traveler Information *(This information can be beneficial when booking airfare for a team)*

Freq. Flyer Program	Number	Status		
AAdvantage Number		<input type="checkbox"/> Regular	<input type="checkbox"/> Platinum	<input type="checkbox"/> Exec. Platinum
		<input type="checkbox"/> Gold	<input type="checkbox"/> Platinum Pro	
SkyMiles Number		<input type="checkbox"/> Medallion	<input type="checkbox"/> Med. Gold	<input type="checkbox"/> Med. Diamond
		<input type="checkbox"/> Med.Silver	<input type="checkbox"/> Med. Platinum	
MileagePlus Number		<input type="checkbox"/> Regular	<input type="checkbox"/> Premier Gold	<input type="checkbox"/> Premier 1K
		<input type="checkbox"/> Premier Silver	<input type="checkbox"/> Premier Platinum	
Known Traveler I.D. <i>(if applicable)</i>				

Church Membership and Doctrine

If you participate in a DBC Mission Trip, you will represent Denton Bible Church. Membership at DBC is encouraged; a DBC ministry leader should approve any exception. We ask an elder or senior pastor of the church that holds your membership to be your "ministry leader" reference.

Are you a formal member of Denton Bible Church?	Yes. No.	Year (approximant) you became a member?
(IF NOT) Are you a member of another church?	Yes. No.	Name of that church:
If you attend DBC regularly, how long have you attended?	Yes. No.	<i>If you are a member of another church, ask an elder or senior pastor at that church to be your "ministry leader" reference.</i>
Do you have a DBC Volunteer Application and Background Check on file?	Yes. No.	<i>If no, you will need to fill one out.</i>
(IF NOT A MEMBER OF DBC OR ANOTHER CHURCH) I am committed to become a DBC member	Yes. No.	I would like to discuss DBC membership with a ministry leader.
I have read and agree with the Denton Bible Church Doctrinal Statement (Included with this application)		I would like to discuss the DBC Doctrinal Statement with a ministry leader.

Ministry Experience

The following questions will help us understand the background and experiences of this team's participants.

It is not necessary to have any previous ministry experience for this trip.

Please list below the mission trips you have participated in, if any.

Year	Destination	Purpose of Trip / Objective	Church / Organization

What ministries have you participated in at DBC/your own church? Please indicate years and areas in which you ministered.

What would you say is your favorite thing/something you look forward to the most about participating in a short-term mission trip?

References – NOTE: References should not be family members

References from a small group or ministry leader and two other personal references are required.

****PLEASE ASK YOUR REFERENCES TO COMPLETE THE ATTACHED REFERENCE FORM AND PROVIDE EACH ONE A SELF-ADDRESSED, STAMPED ENVELOPE TO: DENTON BIBLE CHURCH, ATTN: MISSIONS, 2300 E. UNIVERSITY DRIVE, DENTON, TX 76209****

_____	()	_____
Name of small group or ministry leader	Phone	email
_____	()	_____
Name of personal reference #1	Phone	email
_____	()	_____
Name of personal reference #2	Phone	email

Commitment

In submission to the guidance of the Holy Spirit, if accepted to participate in this Denton Bible Church mission trip, I commit to:

- (1) To make myself available for the full training for this trip so that I am thoroughly prepared for the work I am being sent to do (In most cases several months of weekly training and coordination are involved);
- (2) To protect the unity of my team and to faithfully serve with appropriate Christian conduct at all times;
- (3) To regard my team leadership as authoritative; and
- (4) To participate in fund raising for myself and my team.

I also affirm that all information I have provided in this application and its forms are true to the best of my knowledge.

Signature

Date

Denton Bible Church Doctrinal Statement

What we believe as a church is commonly known as church doctrine. Our doctrine is the foundation by which we serve God. DBC's doctrinal statement has been organized into categories to assist you in understanding what we believe and teach through our various ministries.

The Scriptures

Every word in the original writings is inspired by God and is without error. It is accurate in all matters to which it speaks, spiritual, historical, and scientific. The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the foundation of the faith and practice of Denton Bible Church (II Tim. 3:16; II Pet. 1:21).

God

God exists eternally in three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The three have distinct personalities and yet are of the same substance, one God. (Gen. 1:1; John 10:30; John 4:24; Deut. 6:4; Matt. 28:19; II Cor. 13:14)

Man

Man is created in the image and likeness of God. In Adam, all mankind fell into sin with the result that all men are sinners. Men are justly condemned to eternal judgment and can do nothing to merit salvation. (Rom. 2:2,3,5; Eph. 2:8,9; Gen. 1:27, 9:6; Rom. 5:12; 3:23; Eph. 2:1)

Jesus Christ

The eternal Son of God became incarnate in the Lord Jesus Christ, being born of the virgin Mary, and is true God and true man. He died physically on the cross and was bodily resurrected three days later. (John 1:1,14,18; 5:18; Heb. 1:1-9; 5:8; I John 5:20; I Tim. 2:5; I Cor. 15:1-5)

Salvation

Salvation is given to those men chosen by God and drawn to Christ by the Holy Spirit. The only means to their salvation is belief in Christ's substitutionary death and resurrection. (Acts 4:12; 13:38,39; I Cor. 15:1-4; Rom. 4:4,5; 5:1; John 3:16; Eph. 2:8,9; Acts 16:31; Eph. 1:4,5; Rom. 8:29,30)

Sanctification

Every believer is promised positional, progressive, and ultimate sanctification. (Heb. 10:10,14; John 17:15-17; Eph. 5:26-27; I Thess. 4:3,4; I John 3:2; I Cor. 6:11)

Assurance

All who are born of the Spirit through faith in Christ can have assurance of salvation and are eternally secure in Christ. (Rom. 5:1; I John 5:13; John 10:27-29; 17:12; II Tim. 1:12; Eph. 4:30; John 6:37)

The Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit is the third person of the Trinity. He regenerates, indwells, baptizes, and seals all believers in Christ and empowers those yielded to God. (Matt. 28:19; John 3:3-7; Titus 3:5; I Cor. 6:19; Rom. 8:9; I Cor. 2:12; 12:13; Eph. 4:30; Col. 3:14)

The Church

The church is composed of all believers. It is the body and bride of Christ, formed by the baptism of the Holy Spirit and existing in two aspects, universal and local. The universal church is an elect company of believers, baptized by the Holy Spirit into one body. Its mission is to witness to its head, Jesus Christ, preaching the gospel among all nations. At the Rapture of the church, it will be caught up to meet the Lord, after which He will return to set up His Kingdom. The local church is a group of believers voluntarily joined together in love to worship God with praise and thanksgiving, and to glorify Jesus Christ through an aggressive effort to disciple others by the preaching of the gospel, and the exercise of spiritual gifts. (Eph. 1:22,23; 5:24-30; I Cor. 12:4-13,27)

Spiritual Gifts

Spiritual gifts are God-given abilities for service, i.e., “for the equipping of the saints for the work of service to the building up of the body of Christ.” (Eph. 4:1-16; I Cor. 12:7,11; I Pet. 4:10; Rom. 12:1-6)

Christian Life

Christians are called to a holy life of service and testimony in the power of the Holy Spirit. This service includes the propagation of the gospel message to the whole world. All believers are promised rewards in heaven for their faithfulness in service. (I Pet. 1:15,16; Acts 1:8; I Cor. 3:12-17; John 14:1-3)

Ordinances

The Bible sets forth two ordinances, the Lord’s Supper and water baptism. The Lord’s Supper is to be celebrated regularly in remembrance of Christ’s death on the cross, and in expectation of His return. Water baptism is an outward testimony of a person’s belief in Christ. Immersion is the ideal means set forth in Scripture. (Matt. 28:19,20; Mark 16:15,16; Acts 8:12,36-38; 9:18; 10:47; I Cor. 11:23-26)

Angels

Angels were originally created holy, but now because of Satan’s rebellion, there is also an unholy angelic kingdom. (Col. 1:16; Job 38:6,7; Ps. 148:2-5; Jude 6; Matt. 25:41; Eph. 6:11,12; I Tim. 5:21; Rev. 12:9)

Dispensations

God has revealed different dispensations or stewardships, each with corresponding rules of life which characterize the believer’s relationship with God. However, salvation has always been on the basis of God’s grace and received through the believer’s faith alone. The present dispensation is the stewardship of grace. (Eph. 3:2-6,9-11; Col. 1:25-27; Rom. 6:14; Heb. 7:18,19)

Second Coming

The blessed hope of the church is the imminent return of Christ. The events of the return of Christ take place in the following order: the rapture of the church, the tribulation, the second advent, the establishment of the reign of Christ on earth for one thousand years, and finally the eternal state of punishment for the unsaved and the eternal state of blessing for the saved. (Titus 2:13; I Thess. 1:10; 4:13-18; 5:4-10; John 14:1-3; Matt. 24:21,29,30; 25:31-46; Rev. 3:10)



SHORT TERM MISSION (STM) SUPPORT RAISING POLICY SIGNATURE FORM

- 1. Participants in a Denton Bible Church STM assignment are responsible for raising the funds necessary to cover the cost of the mission assignment.
2. Church Administration & Missions account for all monies in a Support Account established for each STM Team.
3. All letters and requests for support must be approved by the STM Coordinator prior to being mailed out or distributed, and must include the current, approved language for soliciting contributions: "Contributions to Denton Bible Church Missions are made and received with the understanding that Denton Bible Church has complete discretion and control over the use of all donated funds. Funds raised in excess of our need will be used by Denton Bible Church for future short term missions."
4. All checks are to be made payable to Denton Bible Church and submitted to Church Administration in a self-addressed envelope (stamped if you wish) provided by the team member with their support letter. It must be addressed: Denton Bible Church, Attn: [Trip Destination - your name], 2300 E. University Drive, Denton, TX 76209
5. If the candidate receives a check made payable to the candidate name instead of Denton Bible Church, the candidate should contact the donor to determine if the donor desires to receive a tax deduction. If so, the donor must rewrite the check and make it payable to Denton Bible Church. If the donor does not care to receive the tax deduction, the candidate may either: a. cash the check and submit it as outlined below in number 8, or b. cash the check and use it for personal expenses related to the mission assignment.
6. STM team leaders must submit to the Missions Office any support money received from team members.
7. Checks submitted for deposit must have the correct notation in the memo: team destination and account number.
8. Cash submitted for deposit must be in an envelope listing the team's destination, name and address of the donor, name(s) of the individual(s) for whom the contribution was recommended, and the Support Account number.
9. While support for individuals is tracked by Missions and Church Administration, support is added to the team Support Account on behalf of the team, not the individual candidate.
10. Fund raising is done on a per trip basis. No monies raised accrue on behalf of an individual team member for their future use at any time, unless otherwise approved by the Board of Elders.
11. Funds raised by a team member in excess of the individual fund raising goal for a trip will be used to cover other trip expenses, including shortages of other team members.
12. Funds raised in excess of the team fund raising goal and exceeding actual funds needed will be used for future Short Term Missions needs, and are reserved in a STM Special Account.
13. Candidates unable to participate in the assigned mission trip for reasons other than those stipulated in Policy 1.5.4 "Mission Trip Contribution And Refund," are responsible for expenses in excess of available funds in the team account incurred by, or on behalf of, the candidate. Such expenses should be paid within fifteen (15) days following notification.
14. Generally, STM teams may not spend money from the team account until the money has been raised. In the event that available funds are not sufficient at the time that arrangements must be made (e.g. airfare, visa purchase), the team may contribute personal funds as nonrefundable contributions for the trip, contact recipients of support letters to appeal for funds, or work with a sponsoring Ministry Director to determine if other ministry funds are available. Ministry Directors may use ministry funds to temporarily meet the needs of a mission team if the Support Account has adequate funds to pay any cancellation fees incurred if team members cannot reach their fund raising goal.

I have read and accept the Denton Bible Church Short Term Mission Support Raising Policy.

Print name

Signature

Date

WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

This Waiver and Release of Liability (“Waiver”) is entered into on the _____ day of _____ 2017, by and between Denton Bible Church (the “Church”) and _____ [name of participant] (“Participant”).

Participant desires to participate in _____ [trip destination and dates] on the Church’s premises or as part of an off-premise Church activity.

In consideration of being permitted to participate in the Activity, Participant agrees as follows:

I RELEASE, WAIVE ALL CLAIMS AGAINST, DISCHARGE AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE THE CHURCH, OR ANY OF THE CHURCH’S ELDERS AND EMPLOYEES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO PASTORS, STAFF AND OTHER EMPLOYEES, MEMBERS, REPRESENTATIVES, OR VOLUNTEERS (COLLECTIVELY REFERRED TO HEREIN AS “CHURCH REPRESENTATIVES”) WITH RESPECT TO MY PARTICIPATION, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION ATTENDANCE AT, OBSERVATION OF, OR BEING OTHERWISE INVOLVED IN THE ACTIVITY (“PARTICIPATION”), WHETHER MY CLAIM OR THE CLAIM OF ANYONE ON MY BEHALF IS BASED ON OR ARISES OUT OF PERSONAL INJURY, DEATH OR INJURY TO PROPERTY AND

WHETHER SUCH CLAIM IS CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE CHURCH OR ANY OF THE CHURCH REPRESENTATIVES.

I ASSUME FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR AND RISK OF BODILY INJURY, DEATH OR PROPERTY DAMAGE DUE TO THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE CHURCH OR ANY OF THE CHURCH REPRESENTATIVES WITH RESPECT TO MY PARTICIPATION IN THE ACTIVITY.

I agree to indemnify and hold the Church harmless from the claims of any third party arising as a result of my participation in the Activity.

I HAVE READ THIS WAIVER IN ITS ENTIRETY AND I UNDERSTAND THAT BY

SIGNING THIS WAIVER I AM RELEASING ALL FUTURE CLAIMS I MAY HAVE AGAINST THE CHURCH AND ANY CHURCH REPRESENTATIVES WITH RESPECT TO MY PARTICIPATION IN THE ACTIVITY.

PARTICIPANT(s):

Signature(s):

Signature(s):

Printed Name(s):

PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF PARTICIPANT, ON BEHALF OF PARTICIPANT (if under 18):

Signature:

Printed Name: _____,

on behalf of _____ [minor Participant's name]

_____ [minor Participant's name]

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How long have you know the applicant

In what relationship? Teacher Pastor Friend Employer Adviser Other

Are you considered this person's Ministry Director? Yes No

Please rate the candidate by circling one or more items under each of the headings below. If you wish, describe briefly and concretely specific instances, which support or interpret your judgment. Do not circle items concerning which you feel uncertain or which you had no opportunity to observe

PHYSICAL CONDITION

- Frequently incapacitated
- Somewhat below par
- Fairly healthy
- Good health
- Rugged and vigorous

SOCIABILITY OR FRIENDLINESS

- Avoided by others
- Tolerated by others
- Liked by others
- Well-liked by others
- Sought by other

INTELLIGENCE

- Learns and thinks slowly
- Average mental ability
- Alert; has a good mind
- Brilliant; exceptional capacity

ACHIEVEMENT (ability to formulate, execute & complete plans)

- Does only what is assigned
- Starts but does not finish
- Meets average expectations
- Resourceful and effective
- Superior creative ability

LEADERSHIP (ability to inspire others and maintain their confidence)

- Makes no effort to lead
- Tries but lacks ability
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- Good leadership ability
- Unusual ability to lead

TEAMWORK (ability to work with others)

- Frequently causes friction
- Prefers to work alone
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- Easily angered, easily frustrated
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- Rigid, argumentative
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SELF-IMAGE

- Insecure
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- Modest, true estimate of self

WISDOM IN USE OF MONEY

- Talks frequently of debt or financial worries
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Please comment with any insights/concerns you may have regarding this applicant's qualifications in the areas above.

How is this person gifted for participation in overseas ministry?

Do you have any reason to doubt the applicant's personal integrity? If so, please explain.

If the applicant is married, how would you evaluate his/her marriage relationship?

Don't Know Superficial Detached, Aloof Reserved Warm, growing Good Communication

Comments:

Listed below are some tendencies, which, if present, may reduce the effectiveness of a mission trip participant. Underline any characteristics or traits, which you have noted in the applicant.

- Impatient
- Intolerant
- "Cocky"
- Easily embarrassed
- Impersonal
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What do you believe to be the applicant's motivation in participating in a mission trip?

How would you rate this person's potential success in international ministry?

Exceptionally Good Very Good Good Fair Poor

Do you have any reservations in recommending this person?

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Person Completing this form	
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- Depressed
- Anxious
- Rigid, not adaptable
- Lacking tact
- Irritable
- Nervous
- Given to exclusive and absorbing friendships, i.e. "crushes"

Comments

What do you believe to be the applicant's motivation in participating in a mission trip?

How would you rate this person's potential success in international ministry?

Exceptionally Good Very Good Good Fair Poor

Do you have any reservations in recommending this person?

If there are additional facts, which we should know, please write them on a separate sheet. You may include the names and addresses of additional references that you think would be of help in evaluating this application. Thank you.

Person Completing this form	
Name	
Phone Number	
Date Completed	

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Thank you!