

Applications Due: November 5th, 2017



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MEXICO MISSION 2018 APPLICATION

March 23 — April 1, 2018

This application is the first step in becoming a part of our team. Once you have filled out your application and have one sealed evaluation completed by **one adult (teacher, Bible Study leader, employer, or an adult friend)** return the packet no later than **November 5th, 2017**. Due to the anticipated response and need to book travel plans, late applications will be put on a waiting list.

Please Print Legibly!

NAME: _____ BIRTHDATE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ ST: _____ ZIP: _____ E-MAIL: _____

PHONE: _____ PARENT PHONE: _____

SCHOOL: _____ GRADE THIS FALL: _____

DO YOU ATTEND FBC EUGENE ON A REGULAR BASIS?

IF NO, WHICH CHURCH DO YOU ATTEND? _____

DO YOU HAVE A CURRENT PASSPORT? _____

IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A PASSPORT, YOU NEED TO START THE PROCESS ASAP AS IT NEEDS TO BE TURNED IN BY JANUARY 7th, 2018. WE NEED TO SEND A COPY DOWN TO MEXICO SO THEY CAN GET OUR VISA'S!

(The passports will be kept in the office in a safe)

Applications will not be accepted without an attached photo.
Late applications will automatically go on the waiting list.

To Be Reviewed

Mission: We are sent to Mexico to serve and share the gospel with the people of the Mexicali Valley. We do this by partnering with the Pagiel (local) Church: *(share the gospel and serve the people)*

What We Hope to Accomplish:

- For students to **grow** in their understanding of God's heartbeat for all nations
- For students to mutually encourage each other in their faith as we **partner** in the mission with local believers.
- For students to have a realistic introductory mission **experience**.
- For students to return home **equipped** to serve this community on mission.
- For students to be inspired to consider more mission opportunities in the **future**.

Who should go?

- Students who have prayed and believe they have been called by God to go.
- Students who have a growing relationship with Jesus Christ.
- Students who genuinely desire to be on Jesus' mission when they return and want to continue to put in practice what they experienced in Mexico.
- Students who are ready to serve selflessly without complaining.

Who should not go?

- Students who don't take their faith in Jesus seriously or don't have faith
- Students who just want to spend time with their friends
- Students who just want to travel
- Students who are not willing to make sacrifices.

Requirements

- Willingness to submit to FBC and Pagiel Church leadership and policies
- Meet training expectations (training meetings, attendance, fundraising, testimony, gospel presentation, memory verses) ,
- Meet fundraising and financial expectations.

Application Process

Step 1: Submit a completed application to the FBC High School Leadership team (turn in Sunday morning or at FBC Office during the week)

Step 2: Complete a reference form

Step 3: Complete an interview with a member of the High School Leadership team.

Step 4: Wait to hear if you were accepted.

Policies

- No drugs or alcohol (immediate dismissal from Mexico at parents' expense)
- No violence or assault of any kind (immediate removal from Mexico at parents' expense)
- No inappropriate sexual behavior or activity (warning or immediate removal from Mexico at parents' expense)
- No weapons (kind warning, weapon given to leader's possession)
- Follow the dress code that has been requested by the Pagiel Church (kind warning)
- No PDA (Warning)
- No cell phones (kind warning, cell phone will be in leader's possession until we get back to FBC Eugene)

Spiritual Background

Please be thorough and use the Bible to support your answers

Use extra paper if needed.

You can also talk to John if you have questions about any of these questions

1. What is the Gospel?

2. When and how did you start a relationship with Jesus?

3. What is God's plan for reaching people who do not know or do not believe the Gospel?

4. What happens to a person who dies who has not trusted the Gospel?

5. What has been happening in your life in the last 1 to 3 months that gives evidence that you trust the Gospel?



Team Information

1. Why do you want to be a part of this trip?
2. How do you think this trip will challenge you in your relationship with Jesus?
3. What do you think are some of your strengths, abilities, gifts or experiences that would be a benefit to the team?
4. If returning, what are your reasons for being a part of the Mexico trip again? How do you live life differently after being on the Mexico trip?

Team Commitment and Covenant

Read the following statements, then sign and date.

I realize that being a part of the Mexico Team is a responsibility and a privilege.

I realize I will be expected to:

- Be a part of a team.
- Have a positive attitude in all circumstances.
- Be an ambassador of the United States, First Baptist, and, most importantly, Jesus Christ.
- Obey all directions given by the team leadership.
- Strive for a Christ-like character in all situations.
- Be a servant and an encourager.
- Strive to be culturally sensitive at all times, including dress, and speech.

I need to have my passport and notarized parental form by **January 7th, 2017**.

Student _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____



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Missionary Contract

It is the desire of the Leadership Team that you clearly understand the commitment involved in such a worthy endeavor. Below is listed the requirements that one must complete in order to be allowed to participate in the mission experience. **Please read each one carefully before initialing.** You will be held accountable to fulfill each item in its entirety. If for some reason you are unable to initial an item, please write out your reason for not being able to do so. Otherwise, count on being held accountable to fulfilling your obligations to this contract.

_____ (Initial here)	I understand that the lifestyle of a missionary should be lived "beyond reproach". I will not participate in any activities that would jeopardize that Biblical mandate.
_____ (Initial here)	On Sunday, Dec. 3rd, there will be a mandatory meeting from 7pm-8:15pm to introduce the team and the travel plans. Parents are asked to attend.
_____ (Initial here)	I will participate in a minimum of 7 training sessions that are held on Sunday mornings from 8:30am-9:30am, starting, January 28st! Dates: Jan. 28, Feb. 4, Feb. 11, Feb. 18, Feb. 25, March 4, March 11 and March 18th.
_____ (Initial here)	I understand that I will participate in our special training launch on Sunday evening, January 21st from 4:30-7:00pm.
_____ (Initial here)	I understand that if I am more than 20 minutes late to a training session, that this will count as an absence!
_____ (Initial here)	I understand that I get to memorize the memory verses, complete the Bible studies, and share my testimony/gospel/project to my leader by the assigned dates.
_____ (Initial here)	I understand that it is required to be in our youth group for 7 of the 9 weeks on Sunday morning leading up to the trip.
_____ (Initial here)	I understand that I am required to write a sponsorship letter, that will be turned in by January 21st. I will also provide label my envelopes with ATLEAST 10 names and addresses for these letters to go out to.
_____ (Initial here)	I understand that I will participate in the March 3rd fundraiser. Expect there to be three hour time slots to sign up for that will keep the day somewhat flexible for you.
_____ (Initial here)	I understand that there are several policies in Mexico including a dress code policy, no dating/PDA policy, and a no cell phone policy. I will gladly abide by all policies during the trip.
_____ (Initial here)	On Sunday, March 18, 2018 there will be a mandatory meeting with your parents from 7:00-8:15 pm
_____ (Initial here)	I understand that I need to have my passport and notarized parental form by January 7, 2018. (We have to send a copy of the passport to Mexico!)
_____ (Initial here)	I understand that the leadership needs money up front for the motels, food, supplies, transportation costs and construction needs. To accomplish this we have set up the following due date schedule. <u>\$ timeline</u> \$100 due by December 10th * \$ half due by February 11th \$ trip paid in full by March 11th <u>Total range will be \$650-\$750</u>
_____ (Initial here)	I understand that a failure to keep these commitments will result in my dismissal from the team.



Guidelines for the money:

1. All checks made out to FBC are tax deductible and not refundable. Please do not write your students name on the check but put it on a sticky note. The IRS does not like student's names in the memo!
2. Money is due when requested to pay for hotels, vans, buses/trains, etc. If you are behind on fund raisers, then let the team know if the money is not going to be in when requested.
3. What if you go over? Praise the Lord! This money will be used for construction projects or for other people who need the money. **Due to tax laws we can not return the money.** We also can not give it to the student to use in Mexico nor can we hold it over for the next year.
4. The extra money will be given out at the leaderships discretion. You may request by emailing John, but it will still be at our discretion. The reason is we like to see how God is going to bless those who don't know where the money is coming from, before we bless them will some of the extra money. It is amazing every year how God blesses everyone of the missionaries.

Questions: please call or email the HS leadership. Please do not assume anything.

I have read and understand the above:

Missionary Signature & Date

Parent Signature & Date



Team Member Reference

To be filled out by an adult that is not your parent

THIS REFERENCE NEEDS TO BE TURNED IN BY November 5th, 2017

Thank you for taking the time to complete this reference form for one of our students. During Spring Break, we are planning a trip to Mexico for a 10 day mission trip. They will be involved in various service projects and ministry opportunities while there. Please take a moment to share with us your thoughts about this student. Your honest input is extremely important to us as we select our team for this trip. After you have filled it out, seal it in an envelope and sign your name over the seal before returning it to the student, or mail it to FBC 3550 Fox Meadow Rd., Eugene, OR 97401 Attn: Amy Coumas. Once again, thank you for your help.

Student _____ Date _____

1. What is your relationship with the student and how long have you known him/her?

2. What strengths does this student have that will positively impact this mission?

3. What weaknesses do you observe that may affect this student's ability to make a positive contribution to this mission project?

4. How have you seen this student live, love, and lead like Jesus in the last 6 months?

Print Name: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

May we call you if we have any questions? Yes/No Phone #: _____

