



**SERVE**

SHORT-TERM MISSION APPLICATION FORM

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Complete the Application Form – please print. Domestic trips do not need passport information.
2. Send or submit your application to the mission trip coordinator.

TRIP INFORMATION

1. Name/Destination of your trip:

PERSONAL INFORMATION

1. Name (on birth certificate or passport) \_\_\_\_\_
2. Nickname \_\_\_\_\_
3. Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_
4. Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_
5. Email \_\_\_\_\_
6. Age \_\_\_\_\_  Male  Female
7. Citizen of what country? \_\_\_\_\_ Do you have a valid passport? \_\_\_\_\_ \*\*  
Passport # \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration date \_\_\_\_\_
8. Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_
9. Marital status \_\_\_\_\_
10. Are there any medical or physical restrictions that would prevent you from traveling overseas or your ability to fully function as a Missionary on this trip? \_\_\_\_\_
11. Does your health insurance cover you overseas? \_\_\_\_\_
12. How would you describe your health and fitness?  Excellent  Good  Average  Needs work
13. Do you anticipate any family members accompanying you on this trip? List Names \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
14. Are you Safe Sanctuary certified?  No  Yes Date attended training: \_\_\_\_\_

\*\* (For those of you who do not have a passport now, you must apply for it and send us the information later. A Visa may be necessary for some countries.)

SPIRITUAL INFORMATION

1. Have you participated in any previous mission trips?     No     Yes.    If you checked yes, please provide the following information:
  - a. When? \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Where? \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. Name of group or church: \_\_\_\_\_
2. What church do you worship at on a regular basis? \_\_\_\_\_
3. What ministries are you involved with at your church? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Do you serve in any volunteer/leadership role in any ministry or outside the church? If yes, please explain  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. What do you think your gifts are? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. Please explain briefly why you want to participate in this mission trip: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

WORK EXPERIENCE/TALENTS

1. Please list any specific talents that you have (drama, singing, instruments, puppets, construction, medical, teaching, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. Where are you employed? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Do you speak any foreign languages fluently? \_\_\_\_\_
4. What do you see as your strongest character quality and why? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Numbers: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

RELEASE AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK

1. I acknowledge that I have voluntarily applied for enrollment in the above selected short term mission trip and in consideration of being permitted to participate in such trip, do voluntarily execute this "Release and Assumption of Risk" in behalf of myself, my heirs and next of kin, my personal representative and my estate.
2. All the information I have provided in this application is true to the best of my knowledge.
3. I acknowledge that I have been fully informed of the nature, scope and demands of the trip, and that I have met all of the prerequisites required for participation in this trip. I am aware of the hazards and risks to my person and property associated with serving in a mission's capacity, such hazards and risks including, but not being limited to, death or injury by accident, disease, war, terrorist acts, weather conditions, inadequate medical services and supplies, criminal activity, and random acts of violence. I accept my assignment with full awareness of these risks. I understand and agree that neither Hempfield United Methodist Church nor its trustees, officers, directors, employees, agents or representatives may be held liable in any way for any injury, harm, damage, or death that may occur to me as a result of my participation in this trip and hereby release Hempfield United Methodist Church, its trustees, officers, directors, employees, agents and representatives from any injury, harm, damage or death, which may occur while I am participating in the learning/mission trip. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I agree to save and hold harmless Hempfield United Methodist Church, its trustees, officers, directors, employees, agents and representatives from any claim by myself, my estate, heirs, successors, assigns or other persons arising out of my participation in the mission trip. I further recognize that such risks have always been associated with missionary service. 2 Corinthians 11:23-28.
4. I hereby authorize Hempfield United Methodist Church through the leader of the trip or through its officers, agents or representatives to render or obtain such emergency medical care or treatment for me as may be necessary should any injury, harm or accident occur to me while participating in the mission trip.
5. I understand and acknowledge that Hempfield United Methodist Church does not provide health or medical insurance in connection with the mission trip and I agree that I will be financially responsible for any bills incurred as a result of medical treatment, including emergency medical treatment and/or transportation to a medical facility, in connection with my participation in the mission trip. I agree to abide by the rules and regulations imposed on participants by the agency and its staff that Hempfield United Methodist Church partners with.
6. I agree that I will be cooperative and helpful to and with all other participants in the trip and will not be disruptive of the objectives established for the trip or as may be designated by the staff or group consensus.
7. I declare that I am in good physical health and believe that I am able without reservation or limiting conditions to physically withstand and cope with the indicated activities of this trip.



- 8. I request that this "Release and Assumption of Risk" be construed and interpreted pursuant to the laws of the Common Wealth of Pennsylvania, and if any portion thereof is held invalid, I request that the reminder continue in full force and effect.
- 9. For participants under 18: I, the parent/guardian of the Learning Trip applicant, have read and accept the terms of liability as explained above. I further agree to indemnify Hempfield United Methodist Church and hold Hempfield United Methodist Church harmless for any injury or illness that my child might suffer as the result of his or her participation in any Hempfield United Methodist Church activity. I assume full responsibility for the payment of any costs/damages incurred by my child, including, but not limited to medical costs and legal cost as the result of injury or illness sustained as the result of his/her participation in any Hempfield United Methodist Church activity. (required if applicant is under 18 years of age).

\_\_\_\_\_

Date

\_\_\_\_\_

Date

\_\_\_\_\_

Signature

\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent or Guardian if under 21

\_\_\_\_\_

Street Address

\_\_\_\_\_

Street Address

\_\_\_\_\_

City, State Zip

\_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip

IMPORTANT: Please have 2 witnesses observe your signature, and have them sign below. They must be at least 18, and should not be relatives.

Date	Date
Signature	Signature of Parent or Guardian if under 21
Street Address	Street Address
City, State Zip	City, State, Zip

**SERVE****HUMC MISSION TRIP CODE OF CONDUCT**

The leadership of Hempfield United Methodist Church strongly encourages participation in cross-cultural mission trips. It is important to remember that each person not only represents HUMC, but more importantly the Lord by Serving as Christ's representatives in the world. Consequently, it is imperative that all participants adhere to the code of conduct that exemplifies Christ at all times.

In order to make each mission trip a positive learning and worship experience, HUMC asks that each participant agree to abide by the following guidelines:

- Complete all the pre-work/preparations required for the trip (i.e. passport application, attend team meetings)
- Actively participate in all group worship services and times of devotion.
- Demonstrate support for group leader decisions. Pull leader off to side to communicate if you disagree with something.
- Respect local customs and culture. To avoid distraction from service and worship of God, we ask that one dresses modestly and appropriately. Please be conscious of length of shorts, sagging pants, low-cut tank tops, and revealing midriffs.
- Avoid using profane language. (Verbal and non-verbal)
- Each participant will remain in a minimum group of two, and must ask a staff person/coordinator at the mission before leaving areas defined by Missions Staff.
- The drinking of alcohol, the use of tobacco, and the use of illegal substances will not be tolerated at any time during the trip. Firearms, weapons, and fireworks are not permitted on trips.
- The focus of the trip is service and worship to God. HUMC encourages building relationships with brothers and sisters, however flirtation and inappropriate relationships will not be tolerated with other team members or local personnel.
- Have a Christ like attitude always!

**PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT**

In order to help ensure safety of the group, as well as to promote a positive atmosphere conducive to work and spiritual growth, I will act according to Christian principles and follow the guidelines laid out by HUMC's Serve Ministry Team and mission trip leaders. I fully realize that if I do not comply, I will be sent home on a commercial passenger carrier at my own expense.

Participant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Legal Guardian Signature (Required if the above Participant is under 18 years old).

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_