

# Types of Trips

## Short-Term Exploratory

The aim of this opportunity is to help individual Chapel members determine spiritual gifts and abilities and to begin preparation for the possibility of a full-time mission vocation. To qualify for this program, individuals would have to give evidence that their interest is sincere through both their life witness and their service with The Chapel.

## Short-Term Assignment

In an effort to meet specific needs of mission agencies and to provide unique opportunities for members of The Chapel to serve, support is considered for qualified individuals who possess the needed spiritual gifts, skills, and abilities for short-term mission assignments. The individual and the sponsoring mission board and/or project requires normal Chapel mission ministry approval. The person will be accountable to both the sending missions agency and The Chapel.

## Short-Term Support

The Chapel's missions policy states that *short-term support is normally extended to an individual only once*. In unusual circumstances, however, The Chapel may consider supporting a person for a second short-term trip.

The exceptions would be:

- A project of unusual value or critical need arises for which this individual is uniquely suited.
- A person has made a clear decision and has taken steps toward becoming a career missionary. The second short-term assignment would aid in preparation for long-term missionary service.

# Preparing for Short-Term Missions

## GLOBAL MINISTRIES

"...all peoples on earth  
will be blessed through you."  
Gen 12:3



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# Opportunities

## For Youth

Each program has specific entrance requirements and training. For more information, contact the Youth office, ext 5503.

## For Adults

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- **College:** Trips include a yearly spring break outreach and an overseas trip about once every other year. For more information, contact the College office, ext 5495.
- **Singles:** Trips include various outreaches throughout the year and usually an overseas trip once every other year. For more information, call the Singles office, ext 5501.
- **ABFs:** Trips are occasionally planned by individual ABFs to assist the missionary that they have adopted as a class. ABFs interested in taking such a trip should contact the Global Ministries office, ext 5473.
- **Chapel Missions:** The Chapel hopes to sponsor one state-side and one overseas trip for adults of college age or older each year. For more information, call the Global Ministries office, ext 5473.

## Agency Qualifications

Before an outside mission agency is chosen, please check with the Global Ministries office to determine whether it is a ministry or organization that The Chapel will support. Throughout the process, keep the office informed of each step taken when pursuing any mission opportunity.

Make sure all necessary applications and forms are completed and approved by the Global Ministries office before making any commitments to a mission agency.

# Individual Qualifications

The specific qualifications for individuals seeking support include:

- Formal Chapel membership (with classes) and active participation in the ministries of the church.
- The written recommendation of a Chapel pastor who knows and has observed the person's life and ministry.
- A willingness to participate in any training deemed necessary by the Global Ministries office and trip Leader.
- A willingness to serve with a sponsoring missions board approved by The Chapel.

## 1-YEAR Mission

1-YEAR is a one-year ministry trip experience for students graduating from high school or college (or desiring to take a "leave of absence" from college studies).

Due to our high values on world missions and social justice, we desire to give select students the ability to refine their worldview and specific calling in God's kingdom-work.

Our hope is to establish this program for students with two specific one-year options:

- 1) A national option through Mission Year focused on inner-city ministry.
- 2) An international option through Operation Mobilization focused on global missions.

# Application Process

The Chapel encourages individuals interested in short-term missions opportunities. The Global Ministries office provides information, counsel, and considers partial financial support to these individuals as they seek to clarify God's will in their life concerning missions by serving in a short-term missions assignment.

- **Contact the Global Ministries office** and let them know whether you are interested in a Chapel-sponsored trip or that of another agency.
- **Complete a Missions Interest Questionnaire** and return it to the Missions office.
- **Interview with age-appropriate pastor** (either college or student ministries pastor), review of application, and potential approval.
- **Submit the 1-Year application** if this is your ministry interest.
- **To apply for partial Chapel financial support**, complete an application for short-term missions trip. *Take the Pathways for Global Understanding* course which is usually offered every January.
- **Interview with Global Ministries staff**, review of application, and potential approval.
- **Apply with specific ministry organization** (if needed).
- **Additional ministry training** and preparation (if needed).

