



Wildwood Christian Church 2019 Panama Mission Trip

In conjunction with
DAVID'S WELL
PANAMA
June 1- 9, 2019

High School, College Students and Adults Only

Complete the application, and return to the church office, no later than **Jan 6, 2019**.

Dear Partner in Ministry,

Thank you for your interest in our short-term trip to Panama. Hopefully, this packet will help answer any questions you have and give you the information you need. We are convinced that one of the best ways to learn the heart of God for the world is to see it with your own eyes.

When deciding whether or not to take a short-term trip, one of the best things you can do is pray! One of the worst things you can do is to make your decision solely on finances. While finances are important, they should not be the only consideration. If you feel you are being led to take part in a trip...pray, pray, pray! We believe God has promised He will provide when we take part in what He is doing. We have not had a problem with anyone raising enough funds in the past.

For anyone under the age of 21, we require a parent or guardian to attend at least one meeting, give us full contact information, and sign off on the consent form and medical release form.

If you have any questions about the trip, feel free to call Jeff Charlton at 636-249-7078 or email jc@gcfrog.com

Moving with God to point others to Him,

Jeff Charlton

TRIP DETAILS

We will be involved in an 8-day trip to the northwest coast of the country of Panama. We will be partnering with a mission organization called David's Well (one of the missions our Church supports) to reach out to several of the thousands of native indian villages scattered throughout the jungles and coastal river Islands.

A large portion of the western portion of the country is filled with thousands upon thousands of native Indians. They are scattered throughout thousands of villages in the jungle mountains to the Northern coast and coastal river islands of Panama. They are very primitive. They do not have clean water, live in diseased filled palm huts and do not have clinics to meet the health needs of the people. Most tribes do not have any belief system but follow witch doctors. The life expectancy is very short. A village of 125 people will only have about 25 adults above the age of 18. No one knows exactly how many villages there truly are or how many Indians inhabit this untouched area but it is in the tens of thousands.

David's well is a unique mission that is reaching these people for Christ by meeting their physical needs, gaining their trust, turning them from the witch doctors and then sharing the message of Jesus with them. They travel from village to village building disease free homes, building wells and aqua ducts for clean water, teaching them how to grow crops, building clinics, schools, and churches. It is a very fertile land for the message of Jesus.

Our Objective

We will be building both a windmill water treatment system and also potentially a second project depending on the size of the group. Final projects will not be decided until we have a firm group identified.

COST: \$1,500-\$1,700 - \$100 non-refundable deposit due at time of application.

\$100 will be due at the time of application. The rest no later than March 31, 2019.

This can either be paid out of pocket or raised through writing support letters and personal fundraising efforts. The price is not firm because airline tickets fluctuate wildly. We will firm up the number once we have a group and can reserve tickets.

TENTATIVE FLIGHTS (Actual flights will not be booked until we have a firm group established.)

Sat, Jun 1

American Airlines

5:52am STL to MIA to PTY Arrive 2:11 PM

Return

Sun, Jun 9

American Airlines

7:25am PTY to MIA to STL Arrive 3:41 PM

WHY MISSIONS?

WHY GO TO OTHER COUNTRIES WHEN THERE ARE NEEDS HERE?

Simply put, because the Bible tells us to go to the entire world. Matthew 24:14 states, “And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in, the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.” In other words, our taking the Gospel to other nations plays a role in when Christ will return. In essence, we bring the kingdom of God by doing God’s will in His world, as His people. It is also about helping establish a foundation for the message of Jesus to be spread by those who live in that country.

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT FOR STUDENTS TO TAKE A TRIP LIKE THIS?

We believe that it is in one’s youth that we establish the passions that we carry on into our adult lives. Jesus’ disciples were probably in their late teens to early twenties. They saw Jesus bring about the Kingdom and communicate the gospel to all kinds of people in different lands. After seeing these things, Jesus tells them to pray for workers to go out and do the same (Matthew 9). In the very next verse, Jesus is sending out these teenagers to tell of the good news of Jesus in both word and deed (Matthew 10).

We do these trips to help youth understand who God created them to be and how they can develop a passion for others by:

- Allowing them to participate in what God is doing around the world to make His name known.
- Cultivate a servant’s heart.
- Stretch their comfort zone.
- Get a new perspective on what they can do here, by doing things their outside of their comfort zone.
- Mobilize a generation that is not afraid to be used by God wherever He might need them.

The purpose is to take the spotlight off of themselves and their corner of the world to create an atmosphere of servanthood that in turn will become a lifestyle of service. We want to join Jesus in raising up a generation that has His passion to sacrificially love the world to point to God’s redemption.

WHY SHOULD ADULTS GO?

Well not to sound simplistic, it is for the very reason we want the youth to go: to live out the lifestyle of service. It also allows our youth opportunity to be encouraged and influenced by other adults who have the passion of Jesus. Every adult that goes means there is another voice and example in the life of a student that helps them understand how to live a lifestyle of service as an adult.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

This trip is not...

- a glorified vacation
- a sight-seeing tour
- a cool stamp in your passport (that just a side benefit)
- just a new adventure to undertake
- a great video shoot our your church
- or an episode of "Exiled"

This trip is...

- an opportunity to sacrifice time and money
- an opportunity to serve others instead of self
- an opportunity to listen to God's call for your life
- an opportunity to broaden you view of "neighbor"
- an opportunity to join Jesus in "making all things new"
- an opportunity to love God and love your neighbor

WHERE DO I START?

1. Pray about how God could empty you.

God loves it when we ask him to change our hearts. Share with him honestly about where you are. What stands in your way form acting more like Jesus? Ask God if He wants to use the experience of a short-term mission trip to make you more like Him in your attitude and character.

2. Fill out an application.

Fill out the application and turn it in to the office by the deadline with your \$100 deposit.

3. Attend the mandatory pre-trip meetings.

Once you have been accepted and are a part of the team, you will have opportunity to connect with the team, be trained, learn how to raise support for your trip, and get lots of other practical tips about traveling to Panama through monthly meetings.

4. Go and live like Jesus.

It may seem like all you do is hammer a nail or play with kids, or teach kids a craft...but that's okay. To be honest, it sounds a lot like washing feet, huh? Sometimes it's when we do simple acts of service that we look the most like Jesus.

CONSIDER THE COST OF THIS SHORT-TERM TRIP

Don't let the cost scare you or keep you from applying! If you cannot afford to pay for the trip out of pocket, then it is no problem to get support through fund-raising. This is an integral part of your short-term missions work. God could be waiting for an opportunity to show you how big He is!

DEPOSIT AND BALANCE

- ☑ The \$100 deposit, to be applied toward the trip balance and submitted with your application, is your responsibility.
- ☑ Remaining amount due March 31, 2019.
- ☑ The trip will cost a total of \$1,500-\$1,700 per person.
- ☑ If your support raising efforts are not entirely successful, balance of the trip cost is also yours to pay.

There are some additional costs you may be responsible for (if you do not have a passport or if you need immunizations) that are separate from the cost of the trip:

PASSPORT

- ☑ **Required for travel out of the continental U.S.**
- ☑ Apply now for your passport!
- ☑ To obtain a passport, you will need a certified birth certificate (not the hospital record), two passport photos and a driver's license. In addition, you will need to pick up and fill out a form from the post office and turn in the information to a postal clerk for processing with the U.S. Passport Agency. This can cost \$85-120 depending on when you apply. You should allow **six-eight weeks** for your passport to arrive. Also, remember that it sometimes takes state agencies several weeks to provide a certified record of your birth if you do not currently have one.
- ☑ If you have a passport, **check the expiration date.** Must be valid 6 months from the date you enter a country.
- ☑ **We will need a copy of your passport no later than 30 days before the trip starts.**
- ☑ Further information is available online at: http://travel.state.gov/passport/passport_1738.html

IMMUNIZATIONS

- ☑ **Required vaccinations for this trip:** Tetanus/Diphtheria, Hepatitis A, Talk to your doctor about other possible immunizations for Typhoid Fever, Yellow Fever
 - ☑ **You will also need to take:** Malaria pills
 - ☑ **Vaccinations are not included in the price of the trips.**
 - ☑ You will want to talk with your personal doctor about your decisions to get a suggested vaccination or not. You may want to talk about a prescription for traveler's diarrhea.
 - ☑ **Contact your doctor** or local health clinic at least six weeks before the trip to allow time for shots to take effect.
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POLICIES & PROCEDURES

All of those participating in a short-term trip with Wildwood Christian Church must read the following:

- ✓ You must submit a **complete application AND a non-refundable \$100** deposit by deadline. This includes parent permission and medical release form. No exceptions!
- ✓ Participants must adhere to the policies and procedures as outlined in the application packet. Please read the entire application before applying.
- ✓ You must read and sign the **'Team Covenant'** included in this packet.
- ✓ Team members are expected to attend all team meetings. There will be approx. 3-4 meetings from Feb – May.
- ✓ All trip costs are the team member's responsibility. You can choose to raise funds or you can simply pay your way out of your pocket, or a combination of the two. We encourage everyone to send out fund raising letters even if you plan to pay out of pocket. The reason for this is we need funds for the project itself and your efforts will help the group to raise those funds.
- ✓ If you are unable to participate in your trip, the Team Leaders must receive cancellation notice as soon as possible. You may be responsible for certain trip costs, depending on when you cancel. If flights have already been paid for, that cost of the flight is non-refundable.
- ✓ If you have physical limitations, please make sure you are physically able to participate. Please make the team leader aware of these conditions.
- ✓ If you have further questions, please contact the Team Leader.

Raising Prayer Support for a Short-Term Trip

An important first step in trip preparation is prayer. As you plan your trip, prepare yourself spiritually through prayer and begin recruiting prayer partners. **Your prayer partners are an important part of your team**, even if they don't support you financially. We will also be coordinating a prayer team for this trip from within our congregation.

Raising Financial Support for a Short-Term Trip

We ask you to pay for the registration of your trip. You will have a sense of ownership and "it cost me to do this."

You are expected to raise financial support to cover either your personal travel costs or the project costs or both. By doing this you allow others to be included in this experience and for God to work in the financial area of your life through faithful dependency on Him. God will stretch you and grow you through this experience! You will also experience (at least a little bit) what it is like for Christian workers who live completely off of the support of others. The fundraising requirements covers airfare, meals, lodging, in-country transportation and team expenses, basic travel insurance, translations, and ministry materials and supplies.

You will have an online account in which you can direct donors or you can have them write checks. **All checks are to be made to Wildwood Christian Church and sent to 16717 Manchester Rd Wildwood, Mo 63040. Participant's name is to be on the Memo.**

When writing your letter, you should clearly explain your purpose for going on the trip and what you hope to accomplish while there. You should also describe the ministry and the country where you will be going. **Do everything you can to make it a personal letter. Address the envelopes by hand.** When printing the letter, **type in each individual name. Do not fill in names on a blank line.** Check your spelling. Have someone proofread it for you. Write personal "one-liners" at the bottom of the letter.

The Team Leader will provide a response card and envelope for you to enclose with your letter; **you must include these in your letter.** These envelopes are addressed to the church and indicates the trip it is for. You need to fill in your personal address for the return address. It is a good idea to pre-stamp the return envelope. The Team Leader will provide the envelope; you need to provide the stamp. **All checks must be made payable to Wildwood Christian Church in for them to be tax deductible.** If you receive a check made out to you directly it is not tax deductible. The church will send a receipt to contributors for tax purposes. You will receive an email from the Team Leader each week with your supporter's names, addresses and emails. **It is your responsibility to send each supporter a thank you note** as well as a follow-up note after the trip. These are great opportunities to share about your faith, especially to non-Christians.

Excess financial support raised by team members (above the actual trip cost), will be applied to trip costs; for example: another person on the trip, for a special project, etc. The money may not be given to the person raising the support for personal use. Though each team member is responsible for their own cost, we expect the team to be supporting each other. If someone as raised above and beyond and another is struggling to get support, the above and beyond will go to help those who are falling behind in their fundraising.

PREPARATION TIMELINE

Jan 6	Registration and \$100 Deposit Deadline
Feb 10	First Team Meeting – 11:45 right after church
Feb 15	Send out support letters
Mar 31	Full Payment Due
March-April-May	2-3 Team meetings. Date TBD
June 1	Leave for trip
June 9	Return from trip

Developing a List of Potential Prayer and Financial Partners

- When making an initial list of possible supporters do not leave anyone out. Try to list 100 possible partners.
- We ask that you do not ask for support from members within our congregation**, as several people will receive letters from several team members. We will be asking our congregation to support the trip as a whole, through a special offering. This will allow our congregation to get involved and offset your fundraising as well.
- Send letters to people you have a personal connection with and who might be interested in supporting your ministry opportunity. **People such as:**

Parents	Classmates	Coaches	Community leaders
Friends	Teammates	Doctors/Dentist, etc.	Salespeople
Relatives (uncles, aunts, grandparents)	Bible Study	Civic club members	Realtors
Friends of the family	Prayer group	Lawyer	Former employer
Neighbors	Current employer	Accountant	Former co-workers
	Co-workers	Banker	
	Teachers	Tax preparer	

Here is a sample support letter to help you in preparing:

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always use real names never just "friend"

Dear David,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am doing very well and am excited to share some news with you. God has been growing and stretching me a lot lately and I'm happy to tell you that I will be traveling to Panama June 1 – 9 as part of a team from Wildwood Christian Church!

Our team will serve the full-time missionaries there to build an aqua duct to bring clean water to several remote indian villiage, as well as hold VBS programs, and meet other needs of the people. We will have a lot of interaction with children, teens, and adults and we pray for opportunities to share our faith through those times.

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you should include this exact paragraph in your letter.

As I prepare for this trip, I need to gather a support team—people like you who can partner with me financially or by praying for our team everyday. The cost of the trip is \$1600; this covers the cost of travel, food, lodging and supplies needed to accomplish our mission. Would you prayerfully consider giving toward this work? All gifts are tax deductible; **checks are payable to Wildwood Christian Church**. If you are led to give, you may complete the enclosed supporter card and return the card and check in the enclosed return envelope for your convenience. I need to raise these funds by _____ .

More importantly, would you commit to pray for our team as we serve the people of Panama? As Paul writes to the church in Ephesus, "Pray also for me, that whenever I open my mouth, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel for which I am an ambassador..." (Eph. 6:19-20)

If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at 314-123-4567, or email me at mickeymouse@gmail.com. *Thank you in advance for your prayer and support!*

In Him,
Mickey Mouse
Mickey Mouse

I would love for you to be a part of my support team !

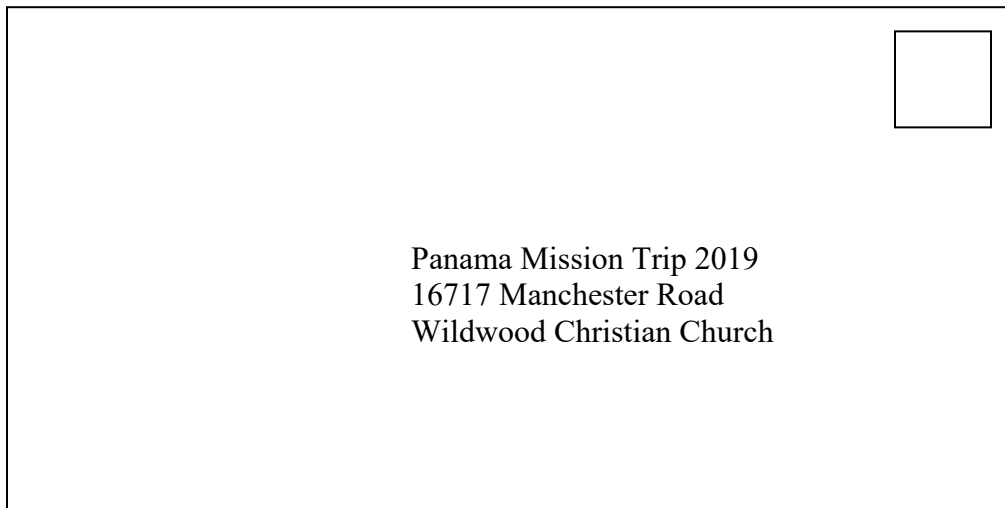
← It's a good idea to write a personal note at the bottom of each letter.

Communicating with Your Prayer and Financial Partners

Begin communicating with possible prayer partners and financial supporters when you have been accepted on the team and have had a couple team meetings! It is good to invite these people to join with you as soon as possible so they can be part of this experience from the beginning. You can share updates on your progress raising funds, how your team is coming together and preparing for this challenge and things God is teaching you personally as you prepare.

It is important to contact all of your partners a day or two **before you leave** to give specific prayer requests. It is very important to contact people **after you return** (maybe within your first week back home) to update them on the things you and the team learned/accomplished, victories that the team experienced and prayer requests for the people and ministries you worked with while on the trip.

Regular communication through **email, blogs** and networks such as **Facebook** are vital ways to create a lasting connection between you and your prayer/financial support team. If you communicate well with your partners, they feel like part of the team. You may be able to return this blessing someday if they go on a short-term trip. **We will try and posts a blog on the WCC website regularly while on the trip.**



← Some go ahead ahead
stamp on the
return envelope
to encourage
people to mail
their support in
right away. (not necessary)

↑ Sample of response envelope you must get from the Office before mailing support letters.

Panama Mission Trip Packing List Think Small

Luggage

1 Suitcase – recommend duffel bag or gym bag style.

35 lbs MAX (You are responsible for additional costs if you go over.)

- Consider leaving room in suitcase to add team supplies.
- You will carry your own luggage and possibly another bag of team supplies.
- Label your important belongings
- Pack nice clothes in plastic bags (to keep dry from rain and humidity)

1 Carry-on bag/Back Pack that can fit under an airline seat – no metal frame

- Include whatever you will need for the first 24 hours – hotel, church, travel to villages
- Pack all liquids (shampoo, toothpaste, creams, etc.) in main suitcase, but easily accessible. If you pack liquids in carry-on bag, containers must be 3.4 oz or less and all must fit in one clear zip-top quart-size bag
- Include rain Panchot or rain suite in backpack
- No sharp or pointed items in carry-on
- Bring 2 plastic trash bags large enough to fit backpack and duffel bag inside for use when taking boat to island.

General Needs

- _ Bible- (small pocket)
- _ Passport (in plastic bag, with you at all times, not in suitcase)
- _ Malaria pills to be taken during trip
- _ Backup pair of glasses or contacts
- _ Ballpoint pen
- _ Light sleeping bag or 2 twin size sheets
- _ Light blanket if you tend to get cold
- _ Small pillow
- _ Towel and washcloth
- _ Deodorant, shampoo, soap, shaving needs and other toiletry items
- _ 1 roll toilet paper (in Ziploc bag)
- _ Wet wipes / hand sanitizer
- _ Garbage bags (wet/dirty clothes)
- _ Sunblock (20 SPF or higher)
- _ Bug repellent (30% Deet)
- _ Bandana/hat
- _ Sunglasses
- _ Rain poncho
- _ Small flashlight with fresh batteries

Other Optional Items:

- _ Camera/phone with charger
- _ After bite lotion
- _ Chapstick
- _ Powder
- _ Snacks – Granola bars, pop tarts, beef jerky, etc. (avoid chocolate). Be prepared to share.
- _ Light jacket with hood
- _ Small Spanish/English dictionary

Clothing

Villages – Work/sleep/travel to-from

- _ 5 Jeans or shorts (knee-length)
- _ 7 Shirts
- _ Rubber boots (tall), plus insoles
- _ Tape or socks to cover ankles at top of boots (they rub!)
- _ Casual/comfortable work shoes
- _ Work gloves (2 pair)

NOTE: Many people donate their dirty work clothes instead of taking home.

David / Panama City

- _ 1 Slacks/nice jeans or shorts and shirt for Sunday worship. (Women must wear pants or dress BELOW knees for church. NO Short-shorts)
- _ 3 shirts and shorts for sightseeing and travel home
- _ Swimsuit (modest)
- _ Nice, comfortable shoes

General

- _ Sleepwear (modest)
- _ Flip-flops for showering
- _ Under clothes for 8 days
- _ 8 pair of socks

No jewelry except wedding ring and inexpensive watch.

Do not bring clothing that is military style or with questionable words or advertising.

Money:

You will need money for any personal items that you want to buy including souvenirs, soda, snacks or food in Panama and airports, etc. Also, consider the offering during Sunday morning worship.

Meals, hotel, and all transportation are included in the cost of the trip except for meals at airport. Discuss with trip planner how meals during travel days to/from Panama will be handled.

Take small bills only (20's or less). Do not take traveler's checks. Panama uses US dollars so there is no need to exchange money.

Note, Panama does issue coins equivalent to U.S. coins, including a \$1 coin, but they are not usable in the U.S. (nice souvenirs).

Most people take at least \$100 or more.

Credit cards are accepted many places, but you should notify your bank before the trip if you plan to use them.

Phones: Contact your mobile carrier before the trip about phone and data service in Panama. Skype is an excellent and cheap phone service that works wherever you have wi-fi.

Passport: You just have a passport and make sure your passport is current and not within 6 months of expiration.

TEAM COVENANT

As a member of this team, I agree to:

1. Remember that I am representing Jesus Christ as well as Wildwood Christian Church. I will model Jesus in my behavior and attitude.
2. Remember that I am a guest working at the invitation of my hosts. I will remember that missionary's prayer, "Where you lead me I will follow; what they feed me I will swallow."
3. Our team is focused on service to others, so courtesy, humility and willingness to serve in any way possible, are essential at all times.
4. Respect the host's view of Christianity recognizing that Christianity has many faces throughout the world and that the purpose of this trip is to experience faith lived out in a new setting. Be sensitive to cultural issues at all times. Be willing to learn.
5. Develop and maintain a servant attitude toward all nationals and my teammates. Always speak with love and respect of team members, national leadership and the organization you represent. Should concerns arise, discuss these privately, with the team leader.
6. Respect my team leader(s) authority, under the oversight of the elders, and his or her decisions and understand the responsibilities involved in that position. Team members should seek opportunities to assist the team leader in any way possible in order to facilitate the ministry of this mission.
7. Refrain from gossip.
8. Refrain from complaining. I know that travel can present numerous unexpected and undesired circumstances, but the rewards of conquering such circumstances are innumerable. Instead of whining and complaining, I will be creative and supportive.
9. Attend all team meetings before the trip as well as any follow-up meetings.
10. Remember not to be exclusive in my relationships. If my boyfriend/girlfriend or spouse is on the team, I will make every effort to interact with all the members of the team. If I am attracted to a teammate, I will not attempt to pursue a relationship until after we return home.
11. Refrain from any activity that could be construed as romantic interest in a national or teammate. Avoid giving out your mail and contact information with nationals.
12. Refrain from illegal drugs and abstain from consumption of alcoholic beverages or the use of tobacco while on this trip.
13. Refrain from the teaching or practice of any belief that would not be endorsed by Wildwood Christian Church or its leaders.
14. Abide by the support raising procedures endorsed by Wildwood Christian Church and will personally thank all financial supporters that contribute to my trip.
15. Remember that I can be sent home, at my own expense, if I do not adhere to this Covenant or if my Team Leader believes it is in my best interest or that of the team.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

**Please sign to show your commitment to this covenant and guidelines for team participation.
Turn in at the first team meeting and keep a copy for your personal reference.**

Wildwood Christian Church
Panama Missions Trip Application 2019

This form is CONFIDENTIAL and will be used only for the purposes of this mission trip.

This form contains critical contact information and must be filled out completely. The personality section is purely for helping the leaders of the trip to understand your personality and desires better so that we can try to best position you for success in all ways on this trip.

Personal Data (please print)

Please print name as it appears on your passport.

Legal name: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Commonly used name (if different than above): _____

Passport # _____ Exp. Date: _____ Citizenship: _____
(make sure expiration date is not within 6 months of trip date)

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone : _____ Email: _____

Parents (or legal guardian) contact information for trip updates: (For kids under 21):

Mother Name: _____

Mother Cell Phone: _____ Mother Email: _____

Farther Name: _____

Father Cell Phone: _____ Mother Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____ Gender: _____ Marital Status: _____

T-Shirt Size: ___ Small ___ Medium ___ Large ___ XL ___ 2XL

Children and ages (if applicable): _____

Do you have a criminal record? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please explain: _____

Your Occupation: _____

Wildwood Christian Church Involvement

Do you attend Wildwood worship services? Yes ___ No ___ How long? _____

Are you a member of WCC? Yes ___ No ___ How long? _____

If not a member, where is your membership? _____

Have you served in a ministry a WCC? Yes ___ No ___

Which ministries? _____

Do you attend Bible Study Classes at WCC? Yes ___ No ___ Which class? _____

Skills and Talents

Please write the appropriate CODE next to your skills/talents.

CODES: AVG=average GOOD=better than average PROF=professional

I. CONSTRUCTION

___ Carpentry
___ Painting
___ Masonry/Carpentry
___ Roofing
___ Electrical
___ Plumbing
___ Other _____

V. MEDICAL

___ Nursing
___ Physician
___ Dental
___ E.M.T.
___ C.P.R.
___ Therapy (P.T.;O.T.; other)
___ Other _____

II. BUSINESS

___ Computers
___ Accounting
___ Other _____

VI. MUSIC

___ Instrument (please list) _____
___ Vocal
___ Other _____

III. SPORTS

___ Basketball
___ Baseball
___ Soccer
___ Softball
___ Volleyball

VII. OTHER PERFORMANCE

___ Juggling
___ Clowning
___ Puppetry
___ Other _____

VIII. MINISTRY EXPERIENCE

___ Teaching Ages: ___ ___ V.B.S. ___ Crafts

IX. PERSONAL DESIRES FOR TRIP

How would the ideal trip look for you?

___ Spend 100% of time evangelizing. VBS, sharing God's word.

___ Spend 100% of time focusing on construction projects.

Describe your personal WEAKNESSES: _____

Are you comfortable sharing your faith with others? Yes ____ No ____

How would you describe yourself (check any that apply)

____ Introvert ____ extrovert ____ Intuitive ____ perceptive

____ fact oriented ____ feeling ____ thinking ____ decisive

____ leader ____ follower

Mission Experience

Outline the trips you have taken, if applicable. Include how long you were on each trip, where you went, and what impact each trip had on your life.

Trip name: _____ Trip Dates/Year: _____

Lessons learned:

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Lessons learned:

My Personal Relationship with Jesus Christ

How did you become a Christian? When were you baptized?

Describe your personal relationship with Jesus Christ today.

Why would you like to participate in this trip?

Do you have any questions or concerns regarding this short-term trip?

Have you spoken to your family (parents/spouse/children) about this trip? Yes____ No____

How enthusiastic was their response to your decision to go on this trip?

____Enthusiastic ____Supportive ____Skeptical ____Negative ____Uncertain

Panama Mission Trip Contract

(Must be signed by all participants and parents of students under 21)

I understand and agree to the following policies:

I have included my \$100 deposit that is due with this application and I understand that the deposit and all contributions are non-refundable.

I have read and accept everything contained in this application package.

If I cancel, I understand I may be responsible for up to full payment of the trip after the airline tickets have been purchased, which is approx. 45 days prior to departure.

I have read and signed the Team Covenant. I will adhere to the Team Covenant if accepted to this short-term mission team.

I commit to attending and participating in the mandatory meetings for the trip.

I understand that all team members will be required to submit to the authority of the team leaders, participate in all events, display a servant attitude and be respectful of the visiting culture.

I will not stray from the group alone or with a buddy at any time during the trip from the time we leave the church until we return to St. Louis. I will not leave any of the hotels at night. I will listen to the leaders and follow all rules set down by the adult leaders at all points during this trip. That means if we agree to meet back at the bus at a certain time, you arrive on time. That means you do not leave the hotel and decide to explore the city or go on a late night food run.

For Parents: I have attended at least one team meeting and have read the entire application package. I have discussed this trip with my child's doctor and have ensured he/she has the proper immunizations recommended by the doctor and malaria pill subscription. I have reviewed the packing list and have signed the medical release form.

I understand that the adults attending this trip are volunteers and that they will do their best to keep the group as safe as possible. To date, there have been no serious injuries or security issues. But we are traveling to a remote destination and with that comes a level of risk. As a parent I accept that risk and trust the leaders to do the best they can to ensure the safety of everyone in the group.

Traveler Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature (for students under 21)

Date

This form can be mailed to the church, attention Panama Mission Trip, or you can deliver it to the church office or to your trip leader. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask. Let's serve HIM together!

Wildwood Christian Church
16717 Manchester Road
Wildwood, MO. 63040

Wildwood Christian Church: Missions Trip Medical Release Form/Permission to Treat

Name: _____ SS #: _____

DOB: ____/____/____ Age: ____ Gender: ____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Emergency Contact Information: Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Work Phone: (____) _____

Secondary Contact: _____ Relationship: _____ Home Phone: (____) _____

Work Phone: (____) _____

Insurance Information: *Attach a copy of your insurance card to this form. Insurance Co.:

_____ Group#: _____ Policy#: _____ Cardholder: _____

Relationship to Cardholder: _____ Insurance Co. Address: _____

Insurance Co. Phone: (____) _____

Personal Medical Information:

Physician's Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Physical Limitations (Asthma, diabetes, allergies, etc.), and/or Special Instructions (Allergic to certain meds, rare blood type, wears contact lenses, etc.):

List ALL medication taken on a regular basis and/or any brought with you. (Prescription Meds, MUST have a pharmacy label and name of doctor.) _____

List all operations/serious injuries and dates within the past five (5) years:

The Health History is correct so far as I know, and the person herein described has permission to engage in all prescribed activities except as noted. Emergency Authorization I hereby give permission to medical personnel selected by the participant's Church sponsor/his designee or camp staff to order Xrays, routine tests, and treatment for myself. In the event of an emergency and neither my primary contact nor secondary can be reached, I hereby give permission to the physician selected by the Authorized Agent to hospitalize, secure proper treatment, order injections and/or anesthesia and/or surgery to myself as named above. I further authorize the release of the above medical information to appropriate medical personnel and/or the health coverage insurance company. In addition, I have, and do hereby, release the church, its employees or agents from liability associated with participation in a church activity. I understand that if I do not have medical insurance, I, as the parent or guardian, will be responsible for any medical expenses in the event of a sickness and/or injury. I understand that there are risks involved in taking place in recreation activities and other activities related to participation in youth functions.

Signature _____ Date _____