



Short-Term Missions Application

Please read "Vineyard Mission Partner Guidelines" before filling out this form (see back). A 6-week minimum is required for applications. Please submit a letter of reference from a VCC staff or leader with this application. Forms can be handed in to any church staff member or e-mailed to missions@indyvineyard.org.

Application date: _____ Date of trip: _____ to _____

Name of applicant: _____

Ministry organizing the trip: _____

Name of reference within VCC: _____

Phone: (____) _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

Total trip cost: _____ Requested from VCC (\$250 max): _____

Amount you are contributing: _____

How would you define the purpose of your trip? (Please be as specific as you can).
Please enclose any trip brochure, flyer, etc. provided by the sending organization

What is your connection with Vineyard Community Church?

How have you been involved within the VCC?

What do you expect to gain from this experience?

How can we pray for you and your ministry?



Short-Term Mission Self-Evaluation

Name of Applicant: _____

Please rate yourself on a scale of 1-5, with 5 being well prepared, positive, certain, and 1 being least.

How would you rate yourself physically in ability to handle the physical conditions required for this mission trip? (e.g. stamina for traveling, walking, weather conditions, sleeping conditions). _____

How would you rate your present emotional state? _____

How would you rate yourself as a team player? _____

How would others rate you as a team player? _____

Total Score: _____

How is your present relationship with your spouse (if married)?

How is your present relationship with Family, coworkers, or friends?

Are you under the spiritual authority of your pastor and fully submitted to his/her direction and instruction? (yes/no) If not, please explain: _____

Are you able to be under the authority of the Pastor or spiritual leader of this short term mission trip and submit to their direction and instruction? (yes/no) If not, please explain: _____

Vineyard Mission Partners

We desire to partner with organizations that share our core values. As an outpost of the Kingdom of God, we will work, with God's leading, with other organizations that seek to see that Kingdom come in increasing ways here and around the world. The nature of partnership is primarily relational. And, though God has not called us to partner with every organization, we believe that God will call us to specific partnerships that are mutually beneficial. Final decision on partnerships will be the responsibility of the elders of the Vineyard Community Church, and partnerships will be reviewed for renewal annually. We will look for and respond to those who want a mutual, long term partnership whereby we value and promote one another's Kingdom gifts and callings in God. Specifically, organizational partnership means the following:

From the Partner

- Application communicating vision and strategy for ministry and connection with our core values.
- A commitment to ongoing communication with the Vineyard missions representatives
- A commitment to updated, written communication for lobby mission board.
- An annual (at least) opportunity provided to Vineyard attendees to serve practically in the organization's ministry effort.
- Bi-Annual availability for on-site report, message, testimony regarding the work.

From the Vineyard

- Commitment to financial support
- Designated Vineyard liaison for communication
- Prayerful response to request for resources, people or special event promotion
- What does prayer support really look like for this organization?
Availability of staff / resources/ communication to support with prayer, direction, etc...
 - Spiritual and emotional support in times of need or crisis
 - Accountability / relationship – connectedness...

Reasons for dissolution of Partnership

- Lack of communication with Vineyard Liaison
- Significant change of mission vision or strategy
- Lack of opportunity for involvement

Short Term Missions (1 week to 1 year)

- We value short term trips when God has called a person / family to give of
 - themselves to see the Kingdom of God extended outside of Indianapolis. This can often lead to long term callings and fruitful, extended service and/or church partnerships.
 - For consideration of short term mission funding, we ask the following:
 - Member of the Vineyard
 - Regular attendee at the Vineyard for at least 9 months
- Submission of a formal application for support to include:
 - information on the facilitating organization
 - purpose of the trip
 - description of God's calling to the trip
 - full disclosure amount needed and personal investment in the mission.
- Commitment to post-trip written or verbal report to the church (at church discretion)