

CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH

Short Term Missions | Application for Financial Assistance

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per P&P Section 5-G

Dear Applicant:

Before you complete your application for short-term mission support, please read the following in order to understand the purpose of the short-term mission project fund and the priorities set to govern the use of these funds. The Board of Management and the Outreach and Missions Committee (OMC) consider these priorities when making support decisions. The amount of money that can be raised through this fund and the number of people applying are also considerations.

The Terms of Reference for short-term missions as outlined for the OMC read as follows:

B. Short-Term Mission

1. **Definition:** Any missional activity from one week to one year in duration. It must be field driven, with the primary focus on those whom we are serving, not ourselves.
2. **Purpose:**
 - i. To join in the ongoing work of the Lord, seeking opportunities to help fulfill the Great Commission
 - ii. To mobilize, educate and inspire Central to become more missionally active
 - iii. To help participants affirm their calling to long-term ministry.
3. **Criteria**
 - i. Applicants must either be a member or have a significant connection to Central.
 - ii. There must be a clear long-term strategy in place.
 - iii. There must be a qualified leader for the ministry.
 - iv. There must be appropriate pre-field training and, if necessary, cultural orientation.
 - v. There must be appropriate debriefing and follow-up plans for those who ministered.
 - vi. There must be accountability to a mission agency and to Central.
4. **Priorities**
 - i. Opportunities where there is a strategic partnership with our missionaries or a mission agency supported by Central.
 - ii. Opportunities that are sponsored or endorsed by Central.
 - iii. Opportunities that will help an individual or family evaluate a long-term missions ministry.

Promotion and Support

Central may provide support for this short-term ministry. The OMC will use the order of priorities listed in B4 (above) as a guide in determining how much to give.

- Limits (including summer camp workers):
 - Support for regular attendees at Central only.
 - Support available for 3 years/opportunities only.
- Fundraising
 - Individuals who are supported financially through the Committee budget shall not make direct appeal(s) for additional funds to individuals who attend Central.
 - Support and funding procedures are to be approved through the Board of Management.

If possible, please complete the attached application form and submit it by no later than April 15th, so that your request for assistance may be reviewed by the OMC and approved by the Board of Management. Please submit your application to the church office or email directly to mmiller2520@gmail.com.

May God bless you as you prayerfully consider your plans for service.
THE OUTREACH AND MISSIONS COMMITTEE

