

PREPARING A TEAM FOR A MISSION TRIP

I. A Biblical Basis for Missions

II. Defining Terms: What is a Mission Trip?

A Mission Trip is an _____ effort to _____ from my current sphere of influence(my home turf) to another community for the expressed _____ of serving that community in the name of _____. It may involve physical acts of service such as painting a church, serving meals to the homeless, or helping the elderly. But it should also include an _____ plan to _____ with the lost and/or to minister _____ to Christians.

A. There are three essential elements of every Mission Trip:

1. _____.
2. _____.
3. _____ to represent (be an ambassador for) Jesus Christ by:
 - a) sharing the Gospel with the lost, and/or
 - b) sharing spiritual encouragement with Christians.

III. The Purpose(s) of a Mission Trip

IV. Where to go on a Mission Trip

What we need is a church or ministry to _____ us to minister to
or with them. Some possibilities:

- A. City _____ mission.
- B. Your pastor's contacts.
- C. Your friends'/relatives' churches.
- D. What about _____ _____ _____ ?

V. Whom to Recruit for the Mission Team and How to Recruit Them.

VI. Who Will Be on the Team

A. _____

B. What are the _____ to be on the Mission
Team?

VII. What would your Mission Team do?

Witnessing, How to be a Godly Husband/Father seminar, Father/Son
breakfast, testimonies, special music, devotional, sermon, nursing home
visitation, nursing home worship service

VIII. Preparation and Training

IX. What are the benefits of a Mission Team/Mission Trip Experience?

PURPOSES FOR A MISSION TEAM/TRIP

PURPOSES(GOALS) for our Mission Trip to Lawrence, Kansas:

- **Extend Christian love(ie. serve) to the Chinese Christian community in Lawrence, KS(University of Kansas)
- **Encourage Chinese Christian leaders, Song Zexi and Zhao Zheng, in Lawrence
(They came to Christ in Norman almost 15 years ago. Zexi is an engineer; Zheng is a professor in the School of Business at University of Kansas.)
- **Exit our “spiritual comfort zone”---take some new steps of faith in our great God!!
- **Evangelize---share the Gospel with Chinese students and others
- **Expand our “mission mindset.”
- **Experience being part of a team, serving Jesus and others.
- **Express our faith in Jesus Christ . . . by means of
 - testimonies
 - music and skits
 - visitation
 - work projects
 - preaching
 - becoming friends with Chinese in Lawrence
 - helping the Lawrence brothers and sisters any way they need.
- **Be a blessing and HAVE FUN !

REQUIREMENTS/EXPECTATIONS OF TEAM MEMBERS

REQUIREMENTS TO JOIN THE TEAM:

- **Make appointment to talk with Bill & Pam
- **Prepare in writing your personal testimony(1.5 pages maximum) and be ready to share it.
- **Prepare to share the Gospel from memory using at least 4 Bible verses.
- **Read three times a day your chapter from “The Greatest Mission Story Ever Told,”(aka The Book of Acts). Present to the team at least 6 lessons from that chapter and how they apply to our mission trip and team.
- **Be willing to learn and serve!!
- **Be willing to be s t r e t c h e d spiritually. (eg. witnessing, skit, music, testimony, preaching)
- **Miss a day of work or school(Friday, September 18th).
- **Since our focus is serving the ministry in Lawrence, only babies or very small children may accompany parents. Older children will need to stay in Norman for the weekend.
- **Meet as a team twice in August and twice in September for prayer and training.

A BIBLICAL BASIS FOR MISSIONS

Numbers 14:20-21 The LORD replied, "...as surely as I live...the glory of the LORD fills the whole earth."

Psalm 86:9 All the nations you have made will come and worship before you, O LORD; they will bring glory to your name.

Psalm 98:2-3 The LORD has made his salvation known and revealed his righteousness to the nations. He has remembered his love and his faithfulness to the house of Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Isaiah 11:9 & Habakkuk 2:14 For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

Isaiah 49:6 It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob.... I will give you as a Light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.

Haggai 2:6-7 "This is what the LORD Almighty says: 'In a little while I will once more shake the heavens and the earth, the sea and the dry land. I will shake all nations, and the desired of all nations will come, and I will fill this house with glory, says the LORD Almighty.'

Malachi 1:11 "My name will be great among the nations, from the rising to the setting of the sun. In every place incense and pure offerings will be brought to my name, because my name will be great among the nations," says the LORD Almighty.

Matthew 9:35-38 Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."

Matthew 24:14 "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."

Matt 28:18-20 Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Mark 13:10 This gospel must be proclaimed to all the nations.

Mark 16:15 "Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation."

Luke 4:42-43 "...they tried to keep him from leaving them but He said, 'I must preach the good news of the kingdom of God to the other towns also, because that is why I was sent.'"

Luke 24:47 Repentance and forgiveness of sins must be proclaimed in My name to all nations.

John 20:21 Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.

Acts 1:8 "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

Acts 9:15 "...Go! This man (Paul) is my chosen instrument to carry my name before the Gentiles..."

Acts 15:36 Some time later Paul said to Barnabas, "Let us go back and visit the brothers in all the towns where we preached the word of the Lord and see how they are doing."

Romans 10:12-15 For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, for, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

Colossians 1:6 The Gospel has come to you, as indeed in the whole world it is bearing fruit and growing.

1 Timothy 2:3-6 This is good, and pleases God our Savior, who wants all men to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. For there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all men—

2 Peter 3:9 The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

1 John 2:2 Jesus Christ, the Righteous One, He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.

Revelation 7:9 "After this I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people, and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb..."

THE BOOK OF ACTS

Aka "The Greatest Mission Story Ever Told"

Acts 1-2	PAM
Acts 4	HUA
Acts 9	JUNJIE
Acts 13	XIAO
Acts 15	QING
Acts 16	TONG
Acts 17	BILL
Acts 20	MIN
Acts 27	JIELIANG

MEMORY VERSES FOR GOSPEL PRESENTATION

Bill	John 3:16, Romans 3:23, Romans 5:8, Romans 10:9
Jieliang	John 3:16, Romans 6:23, Isaiah 59:2, Romans 5:8, Revelation 3:20
Qing	John 10:10, Romans 5:1, John 3:16, Romans 3:23.
Junjie	John 3:16, Romans 3:23, Romans 5:8, John 1:12