

Career Missionary Service

Consideration Application

First Baptist Church

P.O. Box 157, Lowell, MI 49331

NOTE: If married, both spouses must submit an application to FBC for consideration. Please fill in digitally as you proceed, or type or print in dark ink if completing manually. If the latter, attach an additional sheet(s) if more space is needed to answer questions.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

1.1 NAME _____
Last
First
Middle
Nickname

1.2 ADDRESS _____
No. and Street
City
State
ZIP

1.3 HOME PHONE (____) _____ CELL PHONE (____) _____ BUSINESS PHONE (____) _____
 SOC. SEC. # _____

1.4 E-MAIL ADDRESS _____ 1.4.1 SKYPE ADDRESS _____

1.5 CONTACT IN CASE OF EMERGENCY: Name _____ Relationship _____
 Address _____ City/State/Zip _____
 Phone (____) _____ Cell Phone (____) _____

1.6 US CITIZEN: Yes ___ No ___ IF NOT, COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP: _____

1.7 GENDER: ___ Male ___ Female 1.8 DATE OF BIRTH: ___/___/___ 1.9 CITY/STATE OF BIRTH _____
mm
dd
yyyy

1.10 PHYSICAL HEALTH: ___ Excellent ___ Good ___ Average ___ Poor

1.10.1 MEDICAL ISSUES – include medical or physical restrictions or allergies _____

1.11 HISTORY – A “YES” answer will need full explanation on a separate page.

1.11.1 DO YOU HAVE A CRIMINAL RECORD IN ANY COUNTRY? Yes ___ No ___

1.11.2 HAVE YOU EVER BEEN ACCUSED OR CHARGED WITH ANY INAPPROPRIATE SEXUAL MISCONDUCT? Yes ___ No ___

1.12 MARITAL STATUS: ___ Single ___ Engaged ___ Married ___ Divorced ___ Widowed
(check all that apply)

1.13 DATE OF MARRIAGE (if applicable): ___/___/___ 1.14 DATE OF DIVORCE (if applicable): ___/___/___
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dd
yyyy
mm
dd
yyyy

1.15 Name of Spouse/Fiance(e) _____
Last
First
Middle
Nickname

1.16 CHILDREN (List from oldest to youngest):

Name: _____ M ___ F ___ DOB: ___/___/___
mm
dd
yyyy

Name: _____ M ___ F ___ DOB: ___/___/___

Name: _____ M ___ F ___ DOB: ___/___/___

Name: _____ M ___ F ___ DOB: ___/___/___

1.16.1 Indicate any medical restrictions, allergies or chronic conditions of any of the children: _____

EDUCATIONAL RECORD

2.1 INDICATE HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED: High School 9 10 11 12 College 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 Other _____

2.2 IF PRESENTLY IN COLLEGE, INDICATE YEAR: ___ Freshman ___ Sophomore ___ Junior ___ Senior

NAMES OF UNDERGRADUATE/GRADUATE/ TECHNICAL SCHOOLS ATTENDED	DATE OF ENTRANCE	DATE OF LEAVING	DATE OF GRADUATION	DEGREE EARNED & MAJOR

EMPLOYMENT/EXPERIENCE RECORD

EMPLOYER	ADDRESS	RESPONSIBILITY	START DATE	END DATE	REASON FOR LEAVING

3.1 List your work skills and hobbies _____

CHURCH AFFILIATION/CHRISTIAN EXPERIENCE

4.1 HOME CHURCH _____ PASTOR _____

4.2 ADDRESS _____ PHONE (____) _____ WEB _____
 No. and Street City State Zip

4.3 ARE YOU A MEMBER? ____Yes ____No 4.4 ARE YOU ORDAINED? ____Yes ____No If YES, Indicate the Ordaining Body _____ If NO, DO YOU ANTICIPATE ORDINATION? ____ Yes ____ No

4.5 DESCRIBE BRIEFLY HOW YOU CAME TO PERSONAL FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST AND YOUR CALL TO MINISTRY.
 (attach page/s as needed or fill in digitally)

4.6 LIST PREVIOUS AND CURRENT MINISTRY INVOLVEMENT, INCLUDING # YEARS AND ANY LEADERSHIP INVOLVEMENT.

4.7 IN WHAT MINISTRY DO YOU FEEL YOU HAVE EXPERIENCED THE MOST IMPACT?

4.8 WHAT SPIRITUAL GIFTS AND ABILITIES HAVE YOU IDENTIFIED IN YOURSELF THAT CONTRIBUTE TO MISSION MINISTRY?

4.9 GIVE THE NAME OF A PASTOR/CHURCH LEADER THAT HAS OBSERVED YOU IN MINISTRY.

4.10 PLEASE ATTACH/INCLUDE YL DOCTRINAL STATEMENT AND RELEVANT MINISTRY PHILOSOPHIES.

MISSIONS INTEREST

5.1 MISSION AGENCY OF INTEREST: _____

5.1.1 WHAT IS YOUR PRESENT RELATIONSHIP WITH THAT AGENCY?

____Not yet applied ____Application in progress ____Approved ____Have already served (How long?) _____

5.1.2 HAVE YOU READ AND DO YOU AGREE WITH THE DOCTRINAL AND POLICY STATEMENTS OF THAT AGENCY OR BOARD?

Yes ____ No ____

5.2 AREA / COUNTRY OF INTEREST: _____

5.2.1 DO YOU HAVE ANY RELATIONSHIP/CONTACT WITH A FIELD TEAM OR MISSIONARY PERSONNEL? Yes ____ No ____

If so, what/who? _____

5.2.2 IF YOU ARE FAMILIAR WITH A PARTICULAR FIELD AND AGENCY, DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA OF SUPPORT NEEDS FOR THAT ASSIGNMENT? _____

5.3 I / WE WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR MISSIONARY SERVICE: _____

5.4. ARE YOU CONSIDERING A SHORT-TERM FIELD VISIT? Yes ____ No ____

5.4.1 If so, perhaps when? _____

5.4.2 If so, what cost? _____

5.4.3 If so, How will you finance the trip?

Money you save/saved _____ Parental support _____
 Part-time work _____ Church support _____
 Gifts from friends _____ Not sure _____

5.4.4 If so, are you able to get a leave of absence from your employer? Yes ___ No ___

5.4.5 If so, will you save/have saved funds to cover bills/wage-loss while away? Yes ___ No ___

5.5 WHAT TYPE OF WORK DO YOU BELIEVE YOU ARE CALLED TO DO, OR WHAT DO YOU HAVE A PARTICULAR INTEREST IN DOING?
(Be as specific as possible)

5.6 EXPLAIN WHY YOU FEEL CALLED TO MISSIONARY SERVICE.

5.7 RELATE ANY PREVIOUS EVANGELISM/MISSION EXPERIENCE:

5.8 PREVIOUS OVERSEAS/CROSS-CULTURAL EXPERIENCE: _____

5.9 LANGUAGES KNOWN, WITH LEVEL OF PROFICIENCY: _____

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

Applicant's affirmation:

- All the information I have provided in this application is true to the best of my knowledge.
- I have read the doctrinal statement and agree to respect it in all regards and not propagate convictions not contained therein.
- Having read the Risk Statement, I am aware of the hazards and risks to my person and property associated with serving overseas in a missionary capacity.
- I have read and agree to adhere to the FBC Missions Policy criteria.
- This is to certify that I will not hold First Baptist Church of Lowell liable for injury, disease, or delay of return, or any other claims, while under the auspices of First Baptist Church of Lowell.
- I understand and accept policy regarding ransom payments described in the Risk Statement.

"The above statements are true and factual to the best of my knowledge and may be verified by First Baptist – Lowell without obligation."

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

**Please mail or deliver your application to
First Baptist Church of Lowell
2275 W. Main • P.O. Box 157 • Lowell, MI 49331**

Please fee free to call if you have any questions! 616.897.7168.

Risk Statement

*This Risk Statement is to advise participants of the potential risks involved in living and working in third world developing nations and to realize and take full responsibility for the consequences as one assumes those risks. We ask that you gather as much information as you feel necessary and, when you are completely satisfied and confident that this is what God wants you to do, **read this form and if you agree, sign and return the signed Risk Statement along with the application form.** Please make a copy of this to keep this form for your records. We count it a real privilege to assist you in your desire to participate in reaching our world with the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

Living and working in a third world developing nation carries with it certain risks not found or associated with work in industrialized nations such as the USA and Canada. These risks can include hazards to both your person and property through cross-cultural offenses, accident, disease, criminal, terrorist acts, weather conditions or inadequate medical services and supplies. There can be added emotional and physical stress due to loneliness, culture shock and long hours.

We realize that it is not possible for us to predict, or fully prepare you for every circumstance you will face. However, it is our goal to advise all members and all participants in missions programs of the assumed risks associated with mission work in a foreign country through this Risk Statement. In addition, we encourage you to prepare yourself for service through a number of ways:

- Prepare yourself spiritually, physically, and mentally for service.
- Read all you can on the potential country of service.
- Talk with missionaries serving in the country and in the specific locale.
- Contact your government office, such as the U.S. State Department to obtain the most up to date information on the area.
- Take any additional steps you feel are necessary.

First Baptist Church of Lowell will not assign any member or participant to a particular ministry or area against their will. The final choice of ministry and area of service rests ultimately with you. Leadership may, in fellowship with you, give direction in areas of need and availability of programs but the final decision on service or participation in the program rests with you. Should you feel at any time that your area of service is no longer appropriate, you have full right to end your service and return to your passport country.

Special Note: In view of the fact that many insurgent, guerrilla and criminal groups commit crimes of kidnapping or other forms of criminal extortion as a means for demanding the payment of ransom, it is important that you understand First Baptist Church of Lowell policy in this area. We are deeply concerned for the well being of each of our members, and will pray and labor diligently for the release of any member taken hostage. However, it is the policy that First Baptist Church of Lowell opposes the payment of ransom in any form, cash, commodities, or services. Therefore members and participants in First Baptist Church of Lowell should not assume that ransom would be paid for their release. First Baptist Church of Lowell recommends, in the event of a hostage being taken, that family members be evacuated to the home country. First Baptist Church of Lowell requires that, as part of the post-crises debriefing, all members who were held hostage be interviewed by a counselor approved by the Deacon Board.

SIGNATURE

DATE

PRINT NAME