

Alpine Chapel
2009 Short Term Missions Projects Application

Thank you for considering going on one of Alpine’s short-term missions project with our AIM team (Alpine International Ministry). We are praying that God uses these wonderful opportunities to help those in need while expanding your missional thinking, strengthening your faith and growing your character.

Please complete the application and put together the other requested documents, attach your deposit and staple them all together and put them in an envelope marked AIM SHORT-TERM MISSIONS APPLICATION. Turn in your completed application packet to Diane Elliot, your youth pastor, or to the Alpine information desk. Diane Elliot will work with the team leaders to prayerfully consider your application and if accepted will notify you of your status. Please note, that due to space, time and qualification constraints, not everyone that applies will be accepted for these specific projects. However, please know that we value your involvement in missions and if you are not qualified for the upcoming trips we will make every effort to recommend future trips/projects for you.

If you have any further questions please feel free to contact the AIM team’s short-term missions coordinator, Diane Elliot at dielliot@aol.com or 847-833-6391.

** Your application will only be considered when all items listed below are received by the required deadline.*

** One application packet is due for each person applying.*

Application Packet should include the following:

1. Completed signed and dated application. Please also initial where appropriate
2. Non-refundable check for \$125.00 for each participating trip
3. Photograph of the first page of your passport which includes your photo and general information
4. Picture of your driver’s license or a government approved ID
5. Two references –
 - Your pastor or growth group leader
 - A Christian friend that has known you more than 2 years

2009 AIM Missions Trip Details:

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Application Deadline</u>	<u>Type of Project</u>	<u>Those able to apply</u>	<u>Required training</u>
March 27- April 5	Grenoble, France <u>Apx. Costs:</u> \$ 1,800.	February 8th	Work project at Camp Champfleuri	Christian adults and students age 15 and up. Adult leader and youth leader will co-lead the trip	Feb. 20, 7-9pm & Feb. 21, 9am-4pm

June 20-30	Costa Rica <u>Apx. Costs:</u> \$ 1,600.	February 15 th	Work project at International Teams Ministry Training Center	Christian adults and students age 13 and up. Adult leader and youth leader will co-lead the trip	May 8, 7-9pm & May 9, 9am-4pm
November 20-29	Morelia, Mexico <u>Apx. Costs:</u> \$ 1,100.	June 1 st	Work project at an orphanage. Will also include preparing and serving Thanksgiving supper for orphanage and caring and working with the children	Christian adults and their children, age 13 and up. Children under 13 will be considered on a case by case basis	Oct. 23, 7-9pm & Oct. 24, 9am-4pm

Trip/s which you are applying for _____ Today's date _____

Personal Information:

Name: _____

E-mail address: _____ Best phone to reach you: _____

Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Drivers License Number: _____

Passport Number: _____ Date of Passport Expiration: _____

Marital Status: _____

If Married, Name of Spouse: _____

Names and ages of all children participating on the trip with you: _____

In Case of Emergency

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Relationship: _____

Health Information:

Do you have any health issues that might impact you while on this trip? _____

If so, please note the condition. _____

Are you on any medications? _____ If so, please note what medication and what they are used for.

Please list any allergies you have to food, medications, etc. _____

Do you have any dietary restrictions? If so, what are they? _____

Education, Talents and Spiritual Gifts:

Current grade level or highest grade completed and degree earned: _____

If working, current vocation: _____

Hobbies and activities that you enjoy: _____

Any other skills and talents that may be helpful (such as play the piano, musical, good with your hands, etc.) _____

Do you speak French or Spanish? If so, which one and are you fluent? _____

Do you know what your Spiritual Gifts are? If so, what are they and how have you used them in the recent past?

General Information:

Please answer Yes or No to each of the below questions.

- 1) A Friday night and Saturday day training are required for this trip. Are you willing to participate in the training prior to the trip? _____
 - 2) Are you willing to commit to the necessary time requirements for this journey? _____
 - 3) Are you willing to respect and submit to the authority of the Leadership of the team? _____
 - 4) Are you willing to be flexible under challenging circumstances? _____
 - 5) Are you willing to pray for God to use this trip as a teaching tool in your life? _____
 - 6) Are you willing to forgo your personal comfort and agenda to allow God to work in and through your life during this missionary journey? _____
 - 7) Is there anything else that we should know before you participate with this trip? If so, please explain _____
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Christian Life:

On a separate piece of paper, please type out answers to the following questions and attach the answers to the application packet.

- 1) Please describe in some detail your experience regarding your relationship with God. Please include items such as:
 - a) How and when you came to know Christ as your Savior
 - b) Your family's religious background
 - c) Your current relationship with God and how you see that relationship played out in everyday life
- 2) Your involvement with the local church:
 - a) Do you attend Alpine Chapel
 - b) How long have you attended
 - c) What is your current involvement
- 3) Have you had any missions experiences in the past? If so, what type, where and what was your involvement?
- 4) How do you think you will benefit the team on this missions project? What can you contribute to the project?
- 5) What are your expectations for the trip and/or what would you like to see happen on this trip?
- 6) How can you prepare yourself so that God can use you and speak to you through this adventure?

Risk Statement

This risk statement is to advise participants with Alpine Chapel of the potential risks 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 application form. Keep a copy of this application for your records. We count it a real privilege to assist you in your desire to participate in ministering to the Church of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Traveling and working in other parts of the world carries with it certain risks not found or associated with work in industrialized nations such as the U.S.A. and Canada. These risks can include hazards to both your person and property through cross-cultural offenses, accident, disease, criminal acts, terrorist acts, weather conditions and inadequate medical services and supplies. There could be additional emotional and physical stress due to culture shock and a variety of ministry conditions. We realize that it is not possible for us to predict or fully prepare you for every circumstance you will face. It is our goal to advise and prepare all participants in Alpine’s Missions programs of the assumed risks associated with mission work in a foreign country and Alpine’s policies 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.
- Contact your team leader to obtain any additional information that you might need.
- Take any additional steps you feel are necessary to be comfortable with the project.

It is Alpine’s policy to not place ministry participants in harm’s way, thus we seek to monitor and avoid any situation that may possess potential danger to those who travel and minister with our organization.

Waiver

1. All the information I have provided in this application is true to the best of my knowledge.
2. I have read the Risk Statement. I am aware of the hazards and risks to my person and property associated with serving overseas in a missions capacity.
3. This is to certify that I will not hold Alpine Chapel liable for injury, disease, or delay of return or any other claims, while under the auspices of Alpine Chapel.
4. I agree to accept all financial responsibilities for my Short Term Mission trip.

Applicant’s Signature: _____ Date: _____

If a student, Parent’s signature: _____ Date: _____

References:

Two references are requested –

A pastor, youth leader or growth group leader from your church:

1. Name: _____

E-mail address (very important): _____

Phone number: _____

Your relationship to the person: _____

How long have you known them: _____

May we contact this person: _____

(Note: Please let this person know that we may be contacting them. Thank you.)

A Christian friend that has known you for more than two years.

2. Name: _____

E-mail address (very important): _____

Phone number: _____

Your relationship to the person: _____

How long have you known them: _____

May we contact this person: _____

(Note: Please let this person know that we may be contacting them. Thank you.)