

NORTHVIEW MISSIONS



Northview
COMMUNITY CHURCH



Long-Term Application

(Long-Term is over 3 months.

For shorter period, please see Short-Term Application.)

Northview Community Church

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Office Use Only

Date App Rec'd: _____

Reply given: _____

Amt \$ promised: _____

Organization: _____

Account number: _____

Long-Term Missions Application

Today's Date: _____

Personal Data

(Please Print Legibly)

Name _____
(Last, First, Middle)

Address _____ City _____ Prov _____ PC _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Email _____

Birth Date _____ Sex _____ Marital Status _____ Spouse's Name _____
(dd/mm/yyyy)

Children (names and dates of birth)

Northview Involvement

Do you attend Northview Worship services? Yes No How long have you attended? _____

Which service do you attend? (Sat. 5:30 WC, Sun. 9am CC or WC, Sun. 11:15am CC or WC, Sun 6pm) _____

Are you a member of Northview? Yes No How long have you been a member? _____

Are you faithful in giving to the local church? _____

If not a member, do you have membership elsewhere? Where? _____

List your involvement at Northview (ministries served in and approx. dates)

What ministries/organizations outside of Northview have you been/are currently involved in? (also include approx dates)

Intended Ministry

Dates of Ministry _____ to _____

Geographical Location _____
(country, province/state, city/town)

Ethnic/Religious Target Population _____

Sponsoring Organization (Mission Board or Group) _____

Address _____

Contact Person _____ Phone Number _____

Briefly explain why you choose this organization:

How does this organization provide member care?

Long Term Missions Application (3 months or more)

As a church with a passion to **worship** and **glorify** God, Northview Community Church strives to make a visible impact on our community as we help the lost to come to **know** Christ, help Christians to **grow** in their relationship with Christ, and help equip and mobilize mature Christians to **serve** Christ in ministry within the church and in ministry to the lost and hurting world in which we live. To accomplish this mission, Northview desires to send out career missionaries and church workers all around the world; and to send out our members on short-term mission projects to every continent.

We are delighted that you are applying to serve God in long-term missions. To enable the Mission Commission to wisely utilize the resources that have been provided to Northview, we ask that you complete this application as thoroughly and faithfully as possible.

1. Support consideration will be given to people who are members of Northview with ministry involvement. We will not be able to entertain requests from other people due to the large number of requests from Northview attendees.
2. Long Term Missions support will be considered during the year as funds are available. Northview's budget year is July 1-June 30, so application should be made by March so the Mission Commission can budget accordingly.
3. Support amounts are given as follows:

Local (North American)
Single = \$350/month
Couple/Family = \$350/month

Overseas (Outside North America)
Single = \$500/month
Couple/Family = \$700/month

Support Request

Planned Start Date: _____ Length of Term: _____

Total estimated monthly support needs: \$ _____ What is your outgoing (one-time) need: \$ _____

Total amount raised to date: \$ _____

If application is successful, how should funds be designated and where should they be sent?

(Please include full address)

Training/Ministry

Is there training involved? What? When?

Briefly describe your role in this ministry:

In what way is the local church supported by your ministry?

Describe your goals for this term of service:

What is your passion?

How will you use your passion in your ministry?

Where do you see yourself in 20 years?

What areas of ministry are you most passionate about within the context of a local church?

How does your ministry relate to world evangelization? (Romans 15:20-21)

What desires/dreams do you have for the ministry you are about to step into?

Explain how God has called you into missionary service (use additional paper if necessary):

Qualifications

Education (List schools you have attended: vocational, college, graduate, Bible, etc):

School	Course of Study	Dates	Degree/Certificate

List and evaluate any previous cross-cultural/missionary experiences you have had:

List any missions classes or training you have had:

Explain how your experiences and training relates to the ministry to which you are assigned:

What do you believe your spiritual gifts are and how have you been exercising them?

Are you equipped and motivated to share your faith? _____

Do you need training in how to do this? Yes No

Theological Questions

What is the Gospel?

What role does compassion and mercy ministries have in sharing the Gospel?

What are your views regarding the gifts of the Spirit?

In your opinion, what are the most pressing issues or challenges facing North American Christians?

What are the most dangerous false teachings in the contemporary evangelical church in your opinion?

Are those who have never heard saved or unsaved? Why?

What are your views regarding how divine sovereignty and human responsibility coexist? Would you call yourself a Calvinist or an Arminian or something else? Why?

How would you describe your theology? Name some theologians who have shaped your theological thinking.

Regarding other world religions, would you consider yourself an exclusivist, inclusivist or pluralist?

What is your view of scripture? Do you believe the Bible contains errors? What is your process of interpreting the Bible?

Who are some of your favourite authors and speakers? Please explain what you appreciate about each one.

In addition to this application we require the following:

1. A signed Statement of Faith of Northview Community Church (attached). If you disagree with this statement please include an explanation of your comments on a separate sheet of paper.
2. A signed Release and Indemnification Agreement Form (attached).
3. A one page explanation of the scriptural basis for your salvation and hope of eternal life.
4. A one page testimony of when and how you became a Christian.
5. A recent photograph of you, or prayer card.
6. A letter from the pastor who knows you the best recommending your participation.
7. The name and email addresses of two other individuals whom we could contact for further reference.
8. If this is a not an MB Church mission organization, attach a doctrinal statement of the mission agency that you are going with.

Please return application to:

Global Missions Commission
Northview Community Church
32040 Downes Rd.
Abbotsford, BC V4X 1X5



GOD

We Believe in one God, eternally existing in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

- a.) We believe in God the Father, the Creator and Sustainer of this universe, who in His infinite wisdom and love planned the redemption of mankind and accomplished it through Jesus Christ.
- b.) We believe in Jesus Christ, true God and true man, who was born of the Virgin Mary, lived a perfect life, was crucified for our sins, rose from the dead and was exalted to the right hand of God.
- c.) We believe in the Holy Spirit who effects redemption in the lives of those who believe in Christ. He convicts, guides, teaches, rebukes, indwells, empowers, comforts, intercedes, unites believers into one body, and glorifies Christ.

Gen. 1; Deut. 6:4-6; Ps. 139; Is. 40; Mt. 28:19; Jn. 1:1, 18; 4:24; 15:26; Rom. 8:1-17, 26-27; 2Cor. 3:17; 5:19; 13:14; Phil. 2:6-8; 1Tim. 3:16; 6:15-16; Heb. 11:6; Jude 2-5.

THE REVELATION OF GOD

We believe that God has made His power and deity known in creation. He revealed Himself also in word and deed in the Old Testament. He revealed Himself supremely and finally in the Lord Jesus Christ, as recorded in the New Testament. We believe that all Scripture, both Old and New Testaments, are inspired by God as men of God were moved by the Holy Spirit. We accept the entire Bible to be the infallible Word of God and the final, complete and authoritative guide for the faith and life of Christian discipleship.

Ps. 19; 119:105; Lk. 24:27, 44; Rom. 1:18-23; 2Tim 3:15-17; 2 Pet. 1:16-21; Heb. 1:1-2; 8:5-13

MAN AND SIN

We believe that man was created in the image of God, sinless and in fellowship with God, with a free will to make moral choices. By sinning he brought death upon the whole human race. As a consequence people are sinful by nature, guilty before God and in need of forgiveness and restoration.

Gen. 1:27; 3:1-19; Mt. 19:13-15; Rom. 3:10-18; 5:12; 18:21; Eph. 2:1-3.

SALVATION BY GRACE

We believe that there is one God and Mediator between God and men, the Man Jesus Christ, who by his substitutionary death has redeemed humanity from the power of sin, death and eternal punishment. We are saved by God's grace through faith in Christ, and by faith alone. Those who repent receive forgiveness of sins and by the power of the Holy Spirit are born into the family of God, and, as faithful disciples, joyfully obey God's Word. Christians are to treat people of other faiths with respect, but urgently proclaim Christ as the only way of salvation.

Acts 2:42, 46; Eph. 1:13-14; 2:8-9; 1 Tim. 2:5-6; Heb. 4:12; 9:15-28; 1Jn. 1:9; Jn 14:6; Acts 4:12; Rom 1:18-24; Rom 2:1-16.

THE CHRISTIAN LIFE

We believe that the Holy Spirit indwells every believer and transforms him or her into the image of Christ and enables the believer to witness to his or her Lord in daily life. The Christian lives in fellowship with God and other believers. The believer contributes to the building of the body of Christ with his or her material and spiritual gifts. By the means of grace provided by Christ, the believer seeks to grow to maturity as this is expressed particularly in the "fruit of the Spirit." Since the believer's body is a "temple of the Holy Spirit" he or she refrains from those things which harm the body and the mind. In striving for perfection the believer recognizes his or her complete

dependence on God and, is constantly in need of His forgiving and cleansing grace.
Mt. 5:14-16; Jn. 12:26; 15:4-5; Rom. 6; 8:9-16; 12; 1 Cor. 6:19; Eph. 2:1-4; 4:1-16; Tit. 2:11-14; Heb. 12:14; 1 Jn. 3:17-18.

THE CHURCH OF CHRIST

We believe that the church was established through Christ's redemptive work in history, and that it is comprised of all who put their faith in Him and who are baptized by the Spirit into one body, regardless of nation, race or social class. Despite the diversity in congregations and denominations, the Holy Spirit creates unity among all the people of God.

Mt. 18:15-35; Jn. 13:1-17; Jn. 17-21; Acts. 2:38-44; 15:1-28; 1 Cor. 12-14; 2 Cor. 2:6-8; Eph. 1:22-23; 2:10-22; 5:21, 25-27; 1 Thess. 5:11, 14; 2 Thess. 3:6, 14-15; Rev. 5:9

THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH

We believe that the Gospel is "the power of God unto salvation", and that the command to make disciples of all nations is the primary task of the church. Every member of the church is called to participate in the mission of the church as he/she is enabled by God's grace.

Mt. 2:23; 11:5; 28:19-20; Acts. 1:8; 2 Cor. 5:18-20.

THE CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES

We believe that God through the Holy Spirit has endowed all His children with gifts for Christian ministries. All are called to use their gifts to build up the body of Christ and to glorify the Lord. Some members of the church are called to lead, to preach, to teach, to evangelize and to nurture. For this reason, God gives some to be Elders and Pastors. The church commissions or ordains people for such ministries and loves, respects, and supports those who serve faithfully. Those in leadership are to live exemplary Christian lives.

Is. 6:1-10; Jer. 3:15; Acts 6:1-6; 20:28; 1 Corinthians 12:1-31; 1 Thess. 5:12-13; 1 Tim. 3:1-10; 5:17-22; Tit. 1:5-9; 3:10; 1 Pet. 5:1-5.

CHRISTIAN BAPTISM

We believe that Christians should be baptized in water upon confession of their faith in Christ. We practice baptism by immersion, although we receive into fellowship those who have been baptized on confession of their faith by another mode. Baptism is a public declaration that the believer identifies with Christ and has become part of His body, the church.

Mt. 28:18-20; Acts 2:38; Rom. 6:2-6; Col. 2:12-13; 1 Thess. 5:23-24; 1 Pet. 3:21

THE LORD'S SUPPER

In preparation for the fellowship of the Lord's Supper, all believers examine themselves. All those who understand its meaning, confess Jesus Christ as Lord in word and life, are accountable to their congregation and are living in right relationship with God and others are invited to participate in the Lord's Supper.

Mt. 16:24; 26:26-30; 1 Cor. 10:16-17; 11:23-32; Rev. 3:20.

MARRIAGE AND THE CHRISTIAN HOME

We believe that God instituted marriage. Marriage is a sacred union between one man and one woman. Believers who marry should have a common Christian commitment; a believer should not marry an unbeliever. We believe that divorce, adultery and homosexuality constitute a violation of God's intention for marriage. We do not condone same sex marriage or homosexual lifestyles. Christian parents should nurture their children through exemplary living, prayer, worship, instruction in God's Word, and godly discipline.

Gen. 1:27-28; 2:18-24; Prov. 5:18-19; Mal. 2:13-16; Mt. 5:31-32; 19:4-9; 1 Cor. 7:10-11; 2 Cor. 6:14; Eph. 5:22-23; 6:4; Heb. 13:4; Rom 1:18-32.

THE LORD'S DAY AND WORK

We believe that God has called us to work and that work is honorable. However, the Christian also needs to have time for corporate worship, instruction in the faith and fellowship. Therefore, following the example of the New Testament Church, we set aside one day a week as the Lord's Day for spiritual up-building and limit our labors on that day to work of necessity and deeds of mercy. Gen. 2:1-3; Ex. 20:8-10; Mt. 6:33; Lk. 24:1-36; Acts 2:1; 20:7; Rom. 14:5-6; Eph. 4:28; 1 Thess. 4:11-12; Heb. 10:23-25.

CHRISTIAN INTEGRITY

Christians are obligated to speak the truth at all times. As a witness to our integrity we affirm that we will tell the truth at all times in keeping with what Jesus taught in the Sermon on the Mount. Also, we avoid holding membership in lodges and secret societies including those that require an oath, but seek rather to foster fellowship among believers.

Mt. 5:33-37; 23:1-12; Jn. 18:19-23; 2 Cor. 6:14-18; Eph. 5:6-13; James 5:12.

THE STATE

We believe that God has instituted the state. Our chief concern and primary allegiance, however, is to Christ's kingdom. We pray for our government, respect those in authority, pay taxes, obey all laws not in conflict with the Word of God, and witness against corruption and injustice in society.

Mt. 22:17-21; Acts 4:19; Rom. 13:1-7; 1 Tim. 2:1-6; 1 Pet. 2:13-14.

LOVE and PEACE

We believe that Christians should live by the law of love and practice forgiveness of enemies as taught and exemplified by Jesus. We seek to be agents of reconciliation; our bond with other followers of Jesus transcends all racial, social and national barriers. We view violence as contradictory to the new nature of the Christian. In times of national conscription or war, we will teach and encourage alternate service where possible.

Ex. 20:1-17; Mt. 5:17-28, 38-45; Rom. 12:19-21; 13:8-10; 1 Pet. 2:19-23.

SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE

We believe that God is creator and giver of life, and highly values each person. Procedures designed to take human life are wrong. We oppose all attitudes which devalue human life, especially the defenseless lives of the unborn, disabled, poor, aging and dying.

Gen 1:26-27, 2:7; Exod 20:13; Job 31:15; Ps 139:13-16; Amos 1-2; Matt 6:25-27, 25:31-46; John 10:11.

CHRIST'S FINAL TRIUMPH

We believe that God will someday bring His purposes to a final consummation. We believe that Christ will return visibly, personally and bodily. When Christ returns the dead in Christ will be raised bodily and together with the living believers they will be bodily transformed and they shall be forever with the Lord. In the end all evil powers will be defeated and whereas the ungodly shall suffer eternal punishment, the saints shall enjoy eternal bliss in the presence of God.

Is. 2:4; 61:1-11; Mt. 25:13, 31-46; Mk. 9:43-48; Lk. 16:22-23; Jn. 5:25-29; Acts 1:11; 1 Cor. 15:21-58; Phil. 1:21-24; 1 Thess. 4:16-17; Tit. 2:11-14; 2 Pet. 3:3-13; Rev. 1:15, 20-22.

I have read and agree to Northview's Statement of Faith.

Signature _____ Date _____

Release and Indemnification Agreement

The undersigned, in consideration for being allowed to participate in a mission trip/missionary endeavor sponsored by Northview Community Church of Abbotsford, BC (the "Church"), hereby agrees as follows:

I hereby fully and forever release and waive, and agree not to cause to be brought any claim, demand, action, or cause of action of any possible kind or nature whatsoever that I might assert, including, without limitation, claims for personal injury, wrongful death, loss, property damage, accident, delay or expense, whether or not absolute, whether known or unknown or otherwise, against the Church or any of its elders, officers, members, employees, agents or volunteers (collectively, the "Indemnified Parties") by reason of, arising out of, or relating in any way to my participation in a Church mission trip.

I further agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Indemnified Parties from any loss, damage, cost, claim or demand, including, without limitation, special, incidental and consequential damages, losses or expenses incurred or paid, directly or indirectly, as a result of any and all claims, causes of action, suits, proceedings, demands, judgments, assessments or liabilities, including reasonable attorneys' fees incurred in litigation or otherwise, assessed, incurred or sustained, by or against the Indemnified Parties, by reason of, arising out of, or relating to, my participation in a Church mission trip, which may be asserted against the Indemnified Parties, including any claim, several or otherwise, past, present or future, which can or may ever be asserted against the Indemnified Parties by any person or persons as parent, spouse, children, heirs, assigns, subrogates or otherwise.

I further agree that Release and Indemnification Agreement (this "Agreement") is continuing in nature. It is my knowing and voluntary act. I recognize that there are certain inherent risks associated with my participation in a mission trip and I assume full responsibility for personal injury to myself. I do not intend to participate in any Church mission trip until and unless I have had full opportunity to my satisfaction to inspect and determine the scope of the mission trip and receive all pertinent information from the Church which bears on my decision whether to participate. I am under no duress or undue influence to execute this Agreement.

I hereby grant the Church and its agents full authority to take whatever actions they may consider to be warranted under the circumstances regarding my health and safety, and I fully release each of them from any liability for such decisions or actions. I authorize the Church and its agents, at their discretion, to place me, at my own expense, for medical treatment.

I agree that the Church shall have the right to enforce appropriate standards of conduct and that it may at any time terminate my participation for failure to maintain these standards or for any actions or conduct which the Church considers to be incompatible with the interest, harmony, comfort and welfare of others. If my participation is terminated, I consent to being sent home at my own expense.

I hereby grant full permission to the Church to use any photograph, video, sound recording or other records or documents of the mission trip and to do so without notice or compensation to me. I assume responsibility for full payment of the published and announced cost of the mission trip; I agree to pay any outstanding balance upon request by the Church; I agree that any and all costs incurred by me during the mission trip, including, without limitation, costs due to health problems, emergencies and death, are my responsibility, or that of my estate.

I certify that the information provided in my application for participation in the Church mission trip is true, complete and correct, and I acknowledge that I have read and I understand this Agreement. In signing this Agreement, I have not relied on any statement, oral or otherwise, by the Church. It is my intention with this Agreement to make a complete, general and unconditional release of any and all claims whatsoever against the Indemnified Parties as described above.

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This Agreement is binding upon my heirs, executors, administrators, assigns and legal representatives. This Agreement releases all successors, assigns and legal representatives of the Indemnified Parties. This Agreement is to be governed by the laws of British Columbia.

I HAVE READ THIS DOCUMENT AND UNDERSTAND IT. I FURTHER UNDERSTAND THAT BY SIGNING THIS RELEASE AND INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT, I VOLUNTARILY SURRENDER CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS.

Date: _____ **Printed name:** _____

Signature: _____

References

First Reference

Name _____

Email _____

Second Reference

Name _____

Email _____