



INTERNATIONAL MESSENGERS
STUDENT APPLICATION



Position applying for: Country applying for:

Mr./Mrs./Miss Age

Address Date of Birth

City State Zip E-mail Address:

Telephone #: Home Work Cell M F

Marital status: Single Married Divorced Other

If applicable, name of spouse and/or family members:

Table with 4 columns: NAME, DATE OF BIRTH, AGE, RELATIONSHIP. Contains 4 rows for family member information.

Height Weight Social Security #

Health Insurance company Policy #

Church you attend Denomination

Address

City State Zip

Pastor's name

In case of emergency or accident, who shall we notify?

- 1. Name Relationship Address Telephone
2. Name Relationship Address Telephone

EDUCATION

Circle highest grade completed, elementary or high school: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

Post-high school academic training. Request transcripts be sent to IM.	From	To	Degree	Comments
Name:	Month:	Month:		
Location:	Year:	Year:		
Name:	Month:	Month:		
Location:	Year:	Year:		
Name:	Month:	Month:		
Location:	Year:	Year:		

List any special training or certifications you have received:

RECORD OF WORK EXPERIENCE

Description	From	To	What were your duties and reasons for leaving?
Present work:	Month:	Month:	
Address:	Year:	Year:	
Previous work:	Month:	Month:	
Address:	Year:	Year:	
Previous work:	Month:	Month:	
Address:	Year:	Year:	
Previous work:	Month:	Month:	
Address:	Year:	Year:	
Previous work:	Month:	Month:	
Address:	Year:	Year:	

Please list any other work experience or skills:

Please list names and address of two character references. (Not the same as those who received a Reference Questionnaire)

1) Name _____ Phone (____) _____

Address _____

2) Name _____ Phone (____) _____

Address _____

1. What previous travel experience have you had?

2. Do you have any particular fears or limitations in regards to travel? Explain.

3. Do you or any family member have physical limitations that would affect your ministry in the position applied for? Explain.

4. Do you have any emotional struggles that you're presently aware that may affect your ministry/

5. To what extent are you willing to commit yourself to the ministry of International Messengers?

1 year or less _____ 2 years _____ 5 years _____ Indefinitely _____

6. How do you feel about being involved in overseas ministry?

7. Are you aware of the spiritual gift(s) you have been given? If so, what are they?

8. What is your position on the use of the gift of tongues?

9. Who or what is a missionary as you understand it?

10. What is your view of the credibility of the Bible?

11. What do you struggle with most in your Christian life?

12. What is your conviction in regards to the use of the following substances:
 The use of drugs:

 The use of alcoholic beverages:

13. Please list any past and present ministry involvement in your local church.

14. Please list any missionary experience you have had.

15. What are your interests and/or goals concerning missionary work at home or abroad?

16. Have there been any missionaries or full-time Christian workers who have influenced you? If so, how?

17. How do you feel about raising your own support for your ministry with International Messengers?

18. Do you agree with International Messengers' statement of faith (see general brochure)? Please explain any differences that you may have.

19. Do you have any language skills? If so, what is your fluency level?

20. At what date could you start your ministry with us?

21. Are you experiencing financial indebtedness? If so, could you explain?

22. Do you have any allergies of which we need to be aware?

23. Please share any other information that would be helpful to us.

AUTOBIOGRAPHY: Write on a separate sheet of paper, at least one page. Topics to include: How you became a Christian; how you feel about your present spiritual life; significant experiences during your life (past and present) and influential people; hobbies and recreation that you enjoy; home life; your interest in missions; your goals for being involved in the ministry of International Messengers.

PHOTOGRAPH: Please send a recent photograph of yourself and family if applicable.

READ BEFORE SIGNING:

I verify that I have completed all the questions to the best of my abilities and all personal information is honest and correct.

Applicant's Signature

Date

REFERENCE QUESTIONNAIRE

Please print three (3) copies of the following questionnaire and provide one copy to each of your references. *Three references are required.*

The questionnaire is four (4) pages long:
pages 7-10 of this document.



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*"How beautiful are the feet of those who
bring Good News" Romans 10:15*

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REFERENCE QUESTIONNAIRE FOR STAFF APPLICANT (*confidential*)

Date

_____ is an applicant for missionary service. Will you kindly aid us in judging the applicant's fitness for such service by supplying the information requested in this form? Since it is our purpose to secure a complete understanding of the applicant's qualification for missionary service, we would appreciate your honest, straightforward evaluations in answering the following questions, in justice both to the applicant and the Mission.

Your prompt co-operation in filling out this form will be greatly appreciated. Your reply will be held in strict confidence.

International Messengers

INTRODUCTION:

How long have you known the applicant? _____

What has been your relationship to the applicant? (pastor, friend, teacher, etc.) _____

Give any information you can concerning the home conditions and family background which bears upon the applicant's suitability for missionary service. _____



1. Does the applicant have any overt or potential outstanding abilities (administrative, teaching, counseling, speaking, organizational, music, etc)?

2. Have you ever for some reason lacked confidence in this applicant? _____

3. How does this applicant respond under difficult circumstances? _____

4. Have you ever questioned his/her morals? If so, explain. _____

5. Are you aware of any mental disorders, illness, or difficulty which the applicant or his family may have had? _____ If so, explain.

6. Can this applicant take responsibility? _____

7. Does this applicant carry through directives given to him/her? _____

8. Describe this applicant's response to authority. _____

9. Describe this applicant's leadership ability. _____

10. Are you aware of this applicant having used narcotics, drugs, etc? _____

11. How does this applicant get along with people? _____

12. What type of influence does this applicant have on others? _____

13. Is the applicant sensitive to the needs and feelings of others? _____

14. Does the applicant have the ability to make decisions and to carry them through? _____

15. For what type(s) of missionary work do you consider the applicant best suited? (Preaching, teaching, pioneer evangelism, children's work, secretarial work, etc) _____

16. To your knowledge, has the applicant been engaged in Christian service? ___ To what degree of success?

17. What is the applicant's attitude toward other ethnic groups and other denominations? _____

18. Does the applicant have any physical defects of which you are aware? _____

19. Please state frankly your opinion of the applicant's all-around fitness for missionary service, adding any significant information which has not been brought out by the preceding questions.

20. Please state frankly any particulars which might prove a hindrance to useful missionary service which have not been brought out by the preceding questions.

21. How do you rate applicant's qualification for missionary service?
 Exceptional Good Below average Superior Average Should be discouraged

Signature _____ Position _____

Phone Number _____

Evaluation:

Check (✓)
in appropriate space.

	Not known	Poor	Below Average	Average	Above average	Excellent
Standing as a student						
Teachable; willing to take instructions						
Adaptability						
Self-discipline						
Emotional stability						
Trustworthiness						
Perseverance						
Dependability						
Integrity						
Conscientiousness						
Able to formulate, execute and carry plans to conclusion						
Punctuality						
Wholesome interests						
Marital harmony (where applicable)						
Discipline of children						
Spiritual maturity						
Fruitful witness for Christ						
Consistent testimony						
Leadership ability						
Compatibility						
Thoughtfulness						
Initiative						
Willingness to serve						
Intelligence						
Mental alertness						
Knowledge of the Bible						
Teaching ability						
Hard worker						
Reasoning						
Evidence of Holy Spirit in life						
Health						
Ability to speak						

	Not known	Poor	Below Average	Average	Above average	Excellent
Apparent desire for Christian growth						
Attractive personality						
Outgoing personality						
Friendliness						
Tactfulness						
Personal appearance						
Neatness of home						

	Not known	Apparent to a serious degree	Often apparent	Sometime apparent	Hardly apparent	Never apparent
Lacking in humor						
Laziness						
Easily embarrassed						
Rebelliousness						
Easily offended						
Domineering manner						
Carelessness in relationship to opposite sex						
Criticalness						
Argumentative						
Irritableness						
Impracticality						
Procrastination						
Discouragement						
Worry, anxiety						
Moodiness						
Depression						
Proud						
Impatient						
Intolerant						
Anger						

Comments on any of the above: _____

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Spiritual Gifts Policy

As a staff member of International Messengers, we ask that you are in agreement with the following Spiritual Gifts Policy. Please read it carefully and sign at the bottom if in agreement. Return this signed statement, along with other application materials, to the address indicated in the cover letter.

TONGUES

How we pray in private is our own individual concern. However, when any public exercise is contemplated, the gift of tongues must be governed by the Biblical limitations, namely, not without discernment of spirits (I Corinthians 12:3, 1 John 4: 1), not without interpretation (I Corinthians 14:28), one at a time and not more than two or three (I Corinthians 14:27). It should also be recognized that Christian love (I Corinthians 13:1,5) will prevent us from exercising the gift publicly if, thereby, we give offense either to fellow missionaries who may be present or to the body of Christ (I Corinthians 10:32, 1 Corinthians 14:33). Those serving with IM should not advocate the gift of tongues as a second blessing or as a sign of true salvation, neither should they participate in the laying on of hands for the receiving of this gift. *(If you believe that a “second blessing” or a “second baptism” is necessary to make a believer complete in Jesus Christ, it would be best that you find another good missions agency that interprets Scripture in that manner. We do not.)*

PROPHECY

While we may differ on the nature of the gift of prophecy in the New Testament, we are all agreed on the working of God’s Spirit to lead us forward and bring us to a common mind. We, therefore, ask short-term participants and career staff members to refrain from phraseology that claims direct revelation and to substitute such wording as, “I believe that what God is saying to us in this situation is. . . .” “We may differ in our convictions about the nature of our utterance, but by using inoffensive wording, we can remain true to our convictions and maintain our fellowship. Prophecy is not to be accepted without others judging or weighing what is said by the Scriptures (I Corinthians 14:29).

WORD OF WISDOM/WORD OF KNOWLEDGE

Corresponding expressions for “word of wisdom”/ “word of knowledge” have been present for many years within evangelicalism. Participants and staff members are expected to respect each other’s views and not to speak in a way that claims direct revelation on a level with Scripture, whatever the person’s own feelings about their utterance. (Rev. 22:18-19)

SLAYING IN THE SPIRIT

The practice of “slaying in the Spirit” lacks Biblical foundation as a positive influence in the life of the believer (I Sam. 19:22, 24), therefore, we do not advocate or participate in this practice.

TEACHING ON SPIRITUAL GIFTS

In the interest of unity, we ask our staff members and participants, when teaching about spiritual gifts, not to teach their particular understanding of this topic as the only admissible view, thus offending fellow workers.

In order to avoid misunderstanding regarding the position of the mission as a whole, no staff member or participant may take a lead or be involved in organizing meetings for the promotion of charismatic teaching.

AGREEMENT WITH POLICY

As this statement of policy is integral to the unity of the mission, I hereby agree to abide by the practices of this policy during the time I am serving with International Messengers.

Applicant’s Signature

Date

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Statement of Faith and Purpose

As a staff member of International Messengers, we ask that you are in agreement with the following Statement of Faith and Purpose. Please read it carefully and sign at the bottom if in agreement. Return this signed statement, along with other application materials, to the address indicated in the cover letter.

STATEMENT OF FAITH We believe...

1. **WE BELIEVE** the Scriptures, both Old and New Testaments, to be the inspired Word of God, without error in the original writing, the complete revelation of His will for the salvation of men and the Divine and final authority for Christian faith and life.
2. **WE BELIEVE in One** God, Creator of all things, infinitely perfect and eternally existing in three persons. Father, Son and Holy Spirit, having precisely the same nature and worthy of equal worship and obedience.
3. **WE BELIEVE** that Jesus Christ is true God and true man. Having been conceived of the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary, he lived a sinless life and died on the cross as a substitutional sacrifice for our sins. He arose bodily from the dead, and ascended into heaven, where He continues His High Priestly ministry at the right hand of the throne of God.
4. **WE BELIEVE** the ministry of the Holy Spirit is to glorify the Lord Jesus Christ, convict men, regenerate the believing sinner, indwell, guide, instruct and empower the believer for godly living and service.
5. **WE BELIEVE** that man was created in the image of God but fell into sin through Adam and is therefore totally depraved, and only through regeneration by the Holy Spirit can salvation and spiritual life be obtained.
6. **WE BELIEVE** that the shed blood of Jesus Christ and His resurrection provide the only ground for justification and salvation for all who believe, and only those who receive Jesus Christ are born of the Holy Spirit, and thus become children of God.
7. **WE BELIEVE** that water baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances to be observed by the Church during the present age. They are, however, not to be regarded as means of salvation.
8. **WE BELIEVE** that the true Church is composed of all who through personal faith in Jesus Christ have been regenerated by the Holy Spirit and are united together as the body of Christ of which He is the Head.
9. **WE BELIEVE** in the personal premillennial and imminent coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and that this "Blessed Hope" has a vital bearing on the personal life and service of the believer.
10. **WE BELIEVE** the destiny for the believer is to be present with the Lord and for the unbeliever is to be separated from the presence of the Lord in everlasting punishment.
11. **WE BELIEVE** the great evangelistic and missionary commission given by Jesus Christ to the disciples and to the continuing church is that of making Christ known throughout the world by word and example and bringing to maturity those who believe in Him through instruction from the Word.

STATEMENT OF MISSION PURPOSE

International Messengers exists to glorify God through making disciples of Jesus Christ and incorporating them into congregations with the same purpose.

I have read the above STATEMENT OF FAITH AND PURPOSE and am in agreement with both.

Signed: _____

Date: _____