

St. Louis Dream Center

March 30 - April 1, 2012



Dear Team Member,

Welcome to the wonderful world of Short Term Missions! You are about to embark on an amazing journey that will, if you allow the Holy Spirit to have his way in your life, change you forever. **Thanks for considering being part of our March 2012 Mission Trip to the St. Louis Dream Center.** We've put together this packet for you, and it is important that you review all of the information carefully. **If you have any questions, please contact Cari Arnold at 309/732-0026 or email cari.arnold@heritageqc.com.**

Purpose of this trip:

Joining a team from the St. Louis Dream Center on a Friday night from 7-10pm that goes into the streets of the inner city to minister to the homeless. Also sharing the love of Christ by providing things such as food, drinks, blankets and clothing, as well as interacting with people.

Trip Requirements:

Team members need to be willing to show the love of Christ by interacting with the homeless and helping provide basic needs.

Team Leader

Rena Gainey will be leading our March trip.

Trip Expenses

The trip expenses are estimated to be **\$200 - \$300** and will include your transportation, lodging and meals. You will need to bring your own spending money for personal gifts/items.

Travel Guidance

Details on what to bring such as clothing, personal property and specific travel guidelines will be provided in the team training meetings prior to your trip. Team leaders will gather information from previous teams, local conditions in **St. Louis** and consultation with the Dream Center Staff and give detailed travel instructions to team members.

Dream Center Web Site: <http://www.stldreamcenter.net/Contact.html>

Checklist

Requirements Checklist

Approximate Trip Cost: **\$200 - \$300**

<u>Item</u>	<u>Date</u>
___ *\$100 Non-Refundable Deposit (check payable to Heritage Church) (Due by 2/17/12 with application)	
___ Application Form	2/17/12
___ Disclaimer	With application
___ Release of Liability	With application
___ Team Member Covenant	With application
___ Payment: \$100 (approx.) (check/s payable to Heritage Church)	3/16/12

Please return completed applications and check for deposit to:

Cari Arnold, Outreach Department

Heritage Church

4801 44th St.

Rock Island, IL 61201

*(deposit will be refunded if applicant is not chosen to be part of the team)

Application

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name on Passport _____
(as it appears on passport/full legal name)

Social Security _____ Date of Birth _____

Passport Number _____ Place of Issue _____

Date of Expiration _____ Country of Citizenship _____

Mailing Address _____

Email Address _____

Day Phone _____ Evening Phone _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Name/Relationship _____

Cell Phone _____ Home Phone _____

Email Address _____

TRIP FOR WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING

Date March 2012

Location St. Louis Dream Center

Primary means by which you plan to finance the trip: ___ Personal ___ Raise Support

Past Mission Trip Experience

Year	Location
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Other Ministry Experience: _____

Have you given to Faith Promise at Heritage this year? ___ Yes ___ No

Are you a member of Heritage Church? ___ Yes ___ No

Are you a regular attender at Heritage Church? ___ Yes ___ No

How often do you attend? _____

Why do you want to participate on this trip? _____

How would you like to grow personally from this trip? _____

SPIRITUAL GROWTH ASSESSMENT

Briefly describe how you came to know Jesus Christ as your Savior? _____

How have you grown in your relationship with Christ in the past year? _____

What are your Spiritual Gifts? _____

I understand that by completing and turning in this application that I am applying to be a member for the above stated mission trip. Completion of this application does not guarantee my acceptance as a member of the mission team for which I am applying. I further understand that I may be required to go through a personal interview with the mission trip leader(s) as part of the application process.

Signature of Participant

Date

*******Disclaimer*******

- _____ 1) Submission of application does not guarantee you will be going on a trip.
- _____ 2) I understand I am expected to attend **all** team meetings.
- _____ 3) A copy of my support letter must be submitted to the team leader no less than four weeks before departure (six weeks is preferable).
- _____ 4) All funds submitted are at the discretion of the Global Outreach Department of Heritage Church. According to IRS tax laws, no funds may be designated for a particular individual. In the event that your fund raising efforts have exceeded your portion of the trip cost or you decide to cancel going on the trip, there are two options:
 - a) Funds will be designated for another short-term volunteer going on the same mission trip that still needs assistance to raise their portion. In the event that every person has fulfilled their portion, funds will go to the particular ministry that the current trip is assisting. No funds will carry over to another trip and cannot be designated for another short term volunteer going on a different trip.
 - b) Funds will be reallocated to the general Faith Promise fund.
- _____ 5) Any requests for financial assistance must be submitted in writing, using the form available in the Global Outreach Department, no later than three days before trip departure.
- _____ 6) I understand I am responsible to pay for the full amount of the individual's portion (airplane ticket and any other expenses that Heritage Church invested) of the trip **prior** to the trip departure. Failure to do so will result in denial of participation in future trips.

By initialing each box above, I indicate that I understand and agree to adhere to all requirements of the Heritage Global Outreach Department.

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Release of Liability

I. MINORS (To be filled out by the parent or legal guardian of individuals under the age of 18)

I, _____ the parent/legal guardian of _____,
(here after referred to as "minor") a minor, hereby acknowledge that said minor is presently under my care and custody. I hereby give said minor permission to go to and participate in activities with Heritage Church, Rock Island, Illinois (here after referred to as "church").

In the event of an emergency, necessitating medical or surgical attention, I hereby consent and give my permission to the church, its' representatives, or trip leaders to make decisions to perform such medical treatments and/or surgery upon said minor which may in their sole discretion be necessary and proper under the circumstances.

I, the undersigned parent/legal guardian of said minor do release, acquit, discharge, and covenant to hold harmless the church, its' representatives, or trip leaders from any and all actions, damages, and/or liabilities arising out of any accident or sickness, or treatment thereof, incurred by said minor during activities with the church.

Signature of Participant

Date

II. ADULTS (To be completed by those 18 years of age and older).

I, the undersigned, am 18 years of age or older. I have read the above waiver of minors and do agree to the same terms and conditions as stated. I do hereby release, acquit, discharge, and covenant to hold harmless Heritage Church, Rock Island, Illinois, its' representatives, or trip leaders from any and all actions, damages, and or liabilities arising out of any accident or sickness, or treatment thereof, incurred by me while involved in activities with the church.

Signature of Participant

Date

Team Member Covenant

Name _____ Trip of Service **St. Louis Dream Center**

Date of Trip **March 30-April 1, 2012** Trip Leader(s) **Rena Gainey**

As a volunteer with Heritage Church, I agree to pay all costs related to my trip such as travel, food, lodging and miscellaneous costs, and to serve without payment.

I will be responsive to the counsel and suggestions of the Mission Team Leader(s) and abide by the standards of conduct and ethics of the above named field and the policies of Heritage Church.

I will abstain from any form of conduct unbecoming to a Christ-like example. I agree to abstain from the use of any form of tobacco, alcohol or drugs.

I will not hold Heritage Church and any of their departments, segments, officers, agents and employees responsible for any accident, injury, or illness resulting from my visit to the field nor for the loss of or damage to personal property while on this assignment and will indemnify and hold harmless Heritage Church from and against any and all liability occasioned by my service.

I affirm that Heritage Church has complete discretion and control over the use of all donated funds, and reserves the right to redirect funds designated for my ministry in the event that my ministry is over-funded to assist other team members or the trip in general. I understand, and will explain to potential donors at the point of solicitation of funds, that surplus funds will not be returned to the donor or me.

In addition, I agree to comply with any specific regulations and rules of conduct pertaining to the field where I will be serving.

I realize that these guidelines have been created for my safety and in accordance with the policies of Heritage Church and the field in question. I understand that any violation of this agreement may result in the termination of my service and that I will be personally responsible for any expenses related to my return to my home and related financial commitments.

Signature of Participant

Date

Approval

Date

