

# Mexico Missions 2006 Application Directions

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## BEFORE YOU START:

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## DIRECTIONS:

Please read CAREFULLY. All the application items below – including passport and immunizations – must be completed in their entirety and submitted all at once no later than Sunday, March 5, 2006, the first day of training in Life Bible Class/Sunday School.

**No applications will be accepted after March 5, 2006.**

DONE?	ITEM	DESCRIPTION/DIRECTIONS
	Valid passport (OR both Birth Certificate & Photo ID)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Required to enter and exit Mexico.</li> </ul>
	Tetanus shot updated within five (5) years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The only shot that <a href="http://APU">APU</a> requires for Ensenada, Mexico.</li> <li>Ask your doctor for any additional shots you might want to get or check <a href="http://www.cdc.gov/travel/camerica.htm">www.cdc.gov/travel/camerica.htm</a>.</li> </ul>
	"Consent to Travel" Form (notary required)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Required for anyone under 18 years old.</li> <li><b>Both parents</b> must sign this document in front of a notary. In cases where there is a divorce or separation, both parents must still sign the document unless there is sole custody (per APU guidelines).</li> </ul>
	"Consent to Treatment" Form	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Authorizes APU or hospitals to give medical treatment if necessary.</li> </ul>
	"Release of Liability" Form	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requires an adult witness to sign.</li> </ul>
	\$200 deposit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Make check out to "CBCSJ."</li> </ul>
	CBCSJ Short-Term Missions Application (MS Word file)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>See the "Attachments" tab in this PDF.</li> <li>Open this MS Word file (CBCSJ_MissionsApp_2006.doc), fill out, save on your computer.</li> <li>Email copy to Michael Wu (<a href="mailto:mlw73cal95@gmail.com">mlw73cal95@gmail.com</a>).</li> <li>Print a copy, get signatures (yours, parents if you're a minor, and a pastor).</li> </ul>

DONE?	ITEM	DESCRIPTION/DIRECTIONS
	Prayer and Financial Support Letter (1 page)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Everyone</b> needs to raise 5 prayer warriors and another \$200 (above your \$200 deposit); if you do not raise \$200, you will be responsible for paying the difference.</li> <li>▪ <b>Due date:</b> June 11, 2006</li> <li>▪ Tell supporters about the trip, why you are going, how God is working in your life, and how they can support us through prayer and financially.</li> <li>▪ Have supporters make checks to "CBCSJ" and write "Mexico Missions 2006" in the memo line.</li> <li>▪ Donations are tax deductible – as long as the check does not have the name of the team member.</li> <li>▪ To simplify recordkeeping, fill out the Supporter's spreadsheet (<a href="#">MexicoMissions2006_supporters.xls</a>, see ATTACHMENTS tab in PDF) and email a copy to <a href="mailto:mlw73cal95@gmail.com">mlw73cal95@gmail.com</a>.</li> <li>▪ Print a copy and submit with your other materials.</li> </ul>
	Testimony of how you came to Christ (1 page)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ You will use this to share your testimony in Mexico.</li> <li>▪ Email it to Luis if you'd like it translated (<a href="mailto:lhcastell@yahoo.com">lhcastell@yahoo.com</a>).</li> <li>▪ Email copy to Mike Wu (<a href="mailto:mlw73cal95@gmail.com">mlw73cal95@gmail.com</a>).</li> <li>▪ Print TWO copies – one to submit with your other materials and one to bring on the trip.</li> </ul>
	Post-trip Report (1 page)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Due date:</b> Sunday, July 9, 2006</li> <li>▪ To share your experience and things you learned about God, yourself, etc.</li> <li>▪ Send this to your supporters to thank them.</li> <li>▪ Will also be published in the CBCSJ Missions Handbook.</li> <li>▪ Email copy to Mike Wu (<a href="mailto:mlw73cal95@gmail.com">mlw73cal95@gmail.com</a>).</li> </ul>

# Consent to Travel to Mexico

Please check the trip and camp you will be attending:

- Easter I: April 8-14, 2006
  - Cuernavaca  Madero  Chiapas  Ensenada
  - Easter II: April 15-21, 2006
    - Cuernavaca  Ensenada
  - Summer I: June 24 - 30, 2006 (Ensenada)
  - Summer II: July 29 - August 4, 2006 (Ensenada)
  - Family Camp: July 7-10, 2006
  - Thanksgiving College Camp: November 22 - 26, 2006

This must be notarized to verify the authenticity of the signatures.

Individual's Name (herein "Team Member")

Church (herein "Organization")

Name (herein "Parent or Guardian")

Youth Leader or Staff Member (herein "Agent")

Name (herein "Parent or Guardian")

**USA, Canadian or Mexican Nationalities must:**

**To enter Mexico:** Bring a passport, or an official copy of your birth certificate and a valid photo identification.

**To return to the USA:** Bring a passport, or an official copy of your birth certificate and a valid photo identification. If you have a "Greencard", YOU MUST BRING THE ORIGINAL. (There is a \$170 fine for not having your original Greencard.)

**All Other Nationalities Must:**

**To enter Mexico:** Call the nearest Mexican Consulate for permission to travel into Mexico. There are some nationalities that are excluded from entry based upon diplomatic relations. Check the internet or the Los Angeles Consulate General of Mexico:

(213) 351-6800 (They answer the phone in Spanish. If you need to, you may ask to speak to someone that speaks English.)

**To return to the USA:** You must have a visa and Passport that allows re-entry into the USA. If you have a "Greencard,"

YOU MUST BRING THE ORIGINAL. (There is a \$170 fine for not having your original Greencard.)

**Consent to Travel Outside the United States to Mexico:** The above-named Parents or Guardian of the Team Member has entrusted the Team Member into the care of the Agent, an adult, and a duly authorized representative of the Organization, while the Team Member participates in "Mexico Outreach," an activity of the Organization.

**The Parent or Guardian does hereby authorize the Team Member to travel outside the United States to the nation of Mexico.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of "Mother or Guardian"

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of "Father or Guardian"

**ALL-PURPOSE ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

State of \_\_\_\_\_ )  
County of \_\_\_\_\_ ) ss.

On \_\_\_\_\_, before me, \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Name and Title of Officer (e.g., "Jane Doe, Notary Public")

personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_  
Name(s) of Signer(s)

- personally known to me
- proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence

to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Place Notary Seal Above

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Notary Public

Date \_\_\_\_\_



# Consent to Treatment

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**Interested Parties**

	Individual's Name (herein "Team Member")	Church (herein "Organization")
If team member is under 18 years of age.	Name (herein "Parent or Guardian")	Youth Leader or Staff Member (herein "Agent")
	Name (herein "Parent or Guardian")	

I, \_\_\_\_\_ as (circle one) the **parent/ the guardian/ the team member**, do hereby authorize the Agent, acting as the Team Member's agent, to consent to any x-ray, examination, anesthetic, medical or surgical diagnosis, or treatment and hospital care or service, which is deemed advisable and is rendered under the general or specific supervision of any licensed physician and surgeon, or the medical staff of a licensed hospital, whether such diagnosis or treatment is rendered at the office of said physician or at said hospital.

It is understood that this authorization is given in advance of any specific diagnosis, treatment, or hospital care being rendered, but is given to provide authority and power on the part of the Agent to give specific consent to any all such diagnosis, treatment, or hospital care which the above mentioned physician, in the exercise of his/her best judgment, may deem advisable.

I hereby authorize any hospital which has provided treatment to the Team Member to surrender physical custody of the Team Member to the Agent upon completion of treatment.

These authorizations shall remain effective through the above periods unless sooner revoked in writing and delivered to the Agent.

Signature of "Team Member"	Date	Signature of "Parent or Guardian"	Date	If team member is under 18 years of age.	
Social Security Number		Address			
Insurance Company	Policy Number	City, State, Zip			
Claim Office Address		Home Phone	Work Phone		
City, State, Zip		Signature of "Parent or Guardian"			Date
Doctor's Name	Phone Number	Address (If same as above Parent or Guardian address, write "same")			
Date of last Tetanus		City, State, Zip			
Please list any allergies, medications, illnesses or disabilities of the team member:		Home Phone	Work Phone		
		In case of medical emergency, if parents cannot be reached, notify:			
		Name	Home Phone		Work Phone



# Release of Liability

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Know all persons by these present:

WHEREAS, I \_\_\_\_\_ plan to participate in the MEXICO OUTREACH ministry and related activities sponsored by AZUSA PACIFIC UNIVERSITY'S Institute for Outreach Ministries, and

WHEREAS, I recognize that the participation in such activities may be hazardous and dangerous.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the privilege to participate extended to me by Azusa Pacific University, through its officers, agents, servants and employees, I do hereby, for myself, my heirs, executor and/or administrator, remise, release and forever discharge Azusa Pacific University and all its officers, agents, servants and employees, acting officially or otherwise, from any and all actions, causes of action, claims and demands for, upon, or by reason of any injury, damage, loss or death which may occur from any cause including, but not limited to any accident while participating individually or with others in said events.

**INSURANCE INFORMATION:**

\_\_\_\_\_ I have medical and accident insurance with:

\_\_\_\_\_ Name of Company                      \_\_\_\_\_ Policy No.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have no medical or accident insurance, and I agree to pay any and all medical and/or dental expenses directly or indirectly related to my participation in the ministry and its related activities, including during the transportation to and from the event(s).

(CAUTION: Read before signing)  
**I HAVE READ AND AGREE TO THIS RELEASE:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Individual's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness (please print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent's Signature  
(Required for participants under the age of 18)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness Signature



# UNCONDITIONAL

## CBCSJ Mexico Missions Outreach 2004

Dear

I hope that this letter finds you well. I wanted to share with you an exciting opportunity I have this summer to travel to Mexico. I will be going on June 18-26 to help serve a local church in Ensenada, Mexico. This short-term missions trip is in partnership with Azusa Pacific University and the local churches in Mexico.



This year's theme is "Unconditional." It speaks of God's unconditional love toward sinners and the type of love saints must embody for the lost. It also speaks of the conditions we must let go of in order to serve the Lord.

I will be going with a team from my church, the Chinese Baptist Church of San Jose (CBCSJ), which consists of seven youth staff/adults, two collegians, and 17 jr. high and high school students eager to serve God in whatever way He would have us in Mexico. Nearly half of our team is going for the first time, so it's exciting to see our students take a step of faith and choose to serve the Lord in Mexico.

We will be serving at a local church, Templo Emanuel, by teaching Bible stories to the children during the daytime, organizing a sports ministry in the afternoon, and participating in the church's evening service through leading praise songs, sharing how we came to believe in Christ, and being able to encourage and pray for the church members. Our prayer is that we will be able to serve, minister and show God's love in our action and service.

This will be my third missions trip to Ensenada, and I wanted to return this year because being able to serve others and alongside my teammates is a privilege and life-changing experience for me. It encouraged me to see how God worked in the hearts of those we ministered to in Mexico and in myself and our team – how He answered all of our prayers, hand-picked our team, showed His beauty in nature, and how He continues to prove that He is a real,

ever-present, and caring God who loves us. There's nothing that compares to seeing someone "get it," to realize that God is real, wants to bless us and give us the free gift of eternal life for all those who believe in Him (John 3:16). I've also learned that joy doesn't come from having things, but simply from giving our best to loving, obeying and serving God. I eagerly anticipate how God will change the lives of those we minister to and of each team member.



Would you consider partnering with us on our trip? You can be a vital part of the team by holding us in prayer throughout the trip, and through your financial support. We're praying that God would raise up 500 prayer supporters to uphold the team, Azusa Pacific University, and Templo Emanuel throughout the trip. Financially, we are trusting God to provide the \$12,500 from friends and family like you to fund the costs of transportation, lodging, supplies, and food for our team, the largest Mexico outreach team that we've ever assembled.

Please pray that we have humble hearts as we serve the church, each other and all those we meet. Also, please pray for our safety and health as we will be driving a caravan of three vans and have a full schedule planned each day, days that begin at 6 am until 11 pm. It will be extremely fun and rewarding, but at the same time can be exhausting – but it's a "wonderful kind of tired."

If the Lord's moves your heart to either pray or give – or both, please kindly fill out the prayer and support form, write the check out to "CBCSJ," and mark the check for Mexico Missions. Donations are tax deductible.

Thank you so much for your prayers, and it would be a blessing if you can let me know how I can pray for you too.

*Thank you so much, and God bless!*

*~ Mike*

# The Do's and Don'ts of giving a Testimony

You will be writing two testimonies:

1. Your salvation story – personal testimony of when you accepted God's gift of salvation (for the CBCSJ Missions Application and to share in Ensenada).
2. Your post-trip testimony of what you learned about God and yourself from the trip.

## A testimony is...

1. A testimony focuses on what GOD has done.
  2. A testimony gives praise and thanks to GOD.
  3. A testimony can be about how GOD answered a prayer.  
(i.e. someone was sick, we prayed, God healed)
  4. A testimony is a witness of GOD's power in action.
  5. A testimony is what GOD has done for you NOW.
  6. A testimony can be about how GOD has changed you, opened your eyes and your response.
  7. A testimony is specific.
  8. A testimony can be how you claimed GOD's promises.
- God is awesome because...
  - I was reminded of this verse \_\_\_\_\_ when \_\_\_\_\_.
  - When \_\_\_\_\_ happened, I prayed that God would \_\_\_\_\_. God answered our prayer by \_\_\_\_\_.

## A testimony is NOT...

1. A testimony is not a time to thank other people for what they did.
2. A testimony is not a trip report which is giving a detailed account of everything that happened or what everyone was doing. (i.e. After we got up, we headed out for to do ministry then we came back and debriefed, prayed and prepared for the next day.)
3. A testimony is not a time to complain about how difficult things were.
4. A testimony is not talking about how God worked in the life of a teammate (that's their testimony).
5. A testimony is not a general statement about God. (i.e. God was so awesome on the trip.)
6. A testimony does not focus on something that happened on other mission trips or other times in your life. You are sharing about this trip.

# testimonies

## Tools Provided:

- Training Manual
- Tips on how to write your testimony
- This page

## Practical Questions to Ask:

1. Everyone should be ready to give their testimonies.  
Who will present how to prepare a testimony?
2. When do all testimonies need to be completed in English? In Spanish?  
Who will review the testimonies for corrections and structural help?
3. How will you have each team member practice giving his or her testimony through an interpreter?

## Tips on How To Write Your Testimony

Adapted from *Discover the World*, by Jacquelyn D. Millham.

1. Begin by thanking God for the opportunity to be with them. If you can do that in their language, it will be even more effective.
2. Find something you can affirm about their country, church or people. Perhaps it is something you've just seen or something someone has done for you. For example, "I want to thank you for the delicious meal we just had" or, "Thank you for making me feel at home here in your beautiful country."
3. Bring a greeting from your home church. For example, "I bring you greetings from your brothers and sisters in Christ from my country" or, "I bring you greetings from my church in Los Angeles, they are praying for us while I am here in your country."
4. Tell a little about yourself next. Tell about your family and your school, activities, etc.
5. Tell how you came to accept Jesus as your Lord and Savior. Maybe you don't have a dramatic conversion to share. That's fine, just tell your story. Don't feel you need to pinpoint a time and a place that you accepted Christ if you don't remember. Perhaps you've had an awareness of God since you were a child. Tell how God became real and personal in your life. You don't have to be a preacher or evangelist; you're simply sharing your story. In telling your story you are witnessing for Jesus Christ. You can say, "This is what God has done in my life." Who we are is more important than what we say.

6. State how your life is different since you came to know Jesus in a personal way, or you can state what need you had and how God met that need. You can use word pictures here: "I was dirty and now I'm clean" or "I was lost and now I'm found."

7. End with a Bible verse. Use a verse that has special meaning to you. You can use it to go along with your testimony or as a challenge to you and those who are listening.

\*Please remember to be mindful of the pastor and the ministry at the church. There are strict laws governing what can and cannot be said by foreigners. Please abide by these laws and check our website for more information.

## Other Stuff:

1. Use simple phrases.
2. Don't use slang.
3. Be sensitive to the fact that the people you are with may be extremely conservative. Try to avoid dramatic impact unless it is absolutely necessary.
4. Focus on Christ, not your problems.
5. Bring photos of your family.
6. Remember, a 5 minute testimony is a 10 minute testimony when spoken through an interpreter.



# Mexico Missions 2006

## Interest Survey Questionnaire

Please choose your top three areas in which you're interested in serving and briefly explain why.  
 You will be selected for the final team based on your area(s) of service.  
 You may be asked to serve in multiple areas.

What level of Spanish have you taken? \_\_\_\_\_

How good is your Spanish? \_\_\_\_\_

**TOP THREE AREAS IN WHICH I WOULD LIKE TO SERVE AND WHY:**

Area of Service	Reason why you would like to serve in this area
1.	
2.	
3.	

**AREAS OF SERVICE:**

- **MCs** – Begin the VBS time, evening services, keep track of time and keep the program moving
- **Song Leaders** – Plan the song sets for VBS and evening services, lead the worship singing time; coordinate with the songboard makers
- **Singers** – Sing on the music team, make song boards, overheads
- **Historians** – Throughout trip, document all the things that happen by keeping a journal
- **Photographers** – Take good pictures, put together post-trip slide show and CDs of pictures for team
- **Translator/Gift of Tongues** – Translate for VBS, sports ministry, evening service
- **VBS Director** – Oversee daily lessons and teaching teams, making sure everything is on track
- **First Aid** – Pack the first aid kit, serve as the team nurse on the trip
- **Preaching & Teaching** – Help participate in the lessons, whether it is with puppets, skits, sermonettes, etc.
- **Story teller/Object lesson** – Use stories, object lessons to share the Gospel after sports ministry time
- **Prayer Warrior** – Lead the team in prayer throughout the trip (vans, before/after meetings, etc.)
- **Crafts/Art** – Prepare and lead arts and crafts for VBS time; we have arts and crafts every day
- **Sports ministry** – Plan out sports ministry time, with an eye to reach those we meet at the park
- **Games/Activities** – For VBS time, plan game time (indoors/outdoors, small/large groups, for all ages)
- **Equipment** – Getting, keeping track of pieces, and setting up tents, water for the team, etc; requires someone who is organized and on top of the details
- **Encouragement Team** – Encourage the team throughout the week with notes, activities, goodies, etc.; requires humble, creative people
- **Other** – Any other areas in which you have a passion and qualifications in which you want to serve?