

## Team Leader Application Spring Break Mission Week/Summer Missions

*Please carefully read and fill out the following application and return it to Kelly Adamson (4th floor of Ham-Wil), by 5:00pm on Wednesday, September 3, 2008. Applications may also be submitted via e-mail, [kmadams@owu.edu](mailto:kmadams@owu.edu).*

### Spring Break Mission Week: Official Mission, Purpose, and Task

- Our Mission*      To share the light of God across the campus, the community, the nation and the world through the work of our hands, the love of our hearts, and the knowledge of our minds.
- Our Purpose*      To redeem the week of Spring Break and a week of summer vacation through committed acts of servant leadership, restorative justice, and transformative reflection.
- Our Task*          To use our common and mostly unskilled abilities to clean up, remodel, rebuild, teach, and heal our world. While our task is important, it is only a vehicle to our mission and purpose.

### **Please read and sign the following:**

I have read the cover letter and the mission statement of Spring Break Mission Week and agree to follow the guidelines therein to the best of my ability.

I understand that as a team member, I will be representing the Chaplain's Office, Ohio Wesleyan University, and (to some extent) the United Methodist Church. I realize that as such a representative, I must avoid behaviors that are inappropriate to my host culture.

I understand that once placed on a team, a **non-refundable** \$25 or \$50 deposit (for domestic and international trips respectively) is due to the Missions Office by 5:00pm on Tuesday, October 14 to show my commitment to that team. An additional individual **non-refundable** deposit based on a portion of the total cost of travel expenses will be due no later than December 1. Furthermore, I understand that I am responsible for the full cost of my trip and should fundraising efforts not completely cover it, **I will pay the balance**.

I have read and understand the team leader roles and responsibilities and will uphold these to the best of my ability.

Finally, I understand that I am expected to follow any additional rules and guidelines instituted by my team leader, spiritual guide, or faculty advisor. I recognize that any major deviation from the above guidelines could result, after attempts at reconciliation, in my dismissal from the team with no refund or, if during spring break, in being sent home at my own expense.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ OWU ID Number \_\_\_\_\_ HWCC Box # \_\_\_\_\_

Major(s)/Minor(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Religious Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Year \_\_\_\_\_ Gender \_\_\_\_\_

Race/Ethnicity \_\_\_\_\_ GPA \_\_\_\_\_

Interests/Hobbies/Special Skills (ex. carpentry, painting, plumbing, music, teaching, etc.)

**Non-English Languages Spoken** (please rank your fluency in each language on a scale of 10=fluent, 1=a few words)

**What do you perceive to be your greatest strength? Explain in 2-3 sentences.**

**What do you perceive to be your greatest weakness? Explain in 2-3 sentences.**

**Do you have prior mission/volunteer experience? If so, where/when?** (prior OWU mission experience is preferred for team leadership, but not necessary for team members)

**Character Reference** (faculty/staff who can vouch for your character—please get permission)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Please rank the trip(s) in which you would like to be team leader, 1 being your top choice.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

***\*\*\*Essay: Your thoughtful, articulate answer will be carefully reviewed. Please type a response to the following questions on a separate sheet. The response should be between 1 and 2 pages long.***

Review the OWU Spring Break Mission Week official mission and purpose on the front of this form. How do you see yourself relating to the mission and purpose of this program?

Why do you want to participate in Spring Break Mission Week as a team leader on the team(s) you listed? What do you hope to contribute to your team's experience? What do you hope to gain from the leadership experience?

**Please include any other information that you feel is relevant to your participation in a spring break mission trip that is not covered in the application or essay.**

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