

# INFORMATION FORM

Volunteers are individuals who serve at personal expense in assignments ranging from a few days to four months. Volunteers are expected to have the commitment and skill to meet specific, identified needs in the assignments accepted.

## INSTRUCTIONS

Please read the instructions before completing this INFORMATION FORM.

1. Complete one form for each person going.
2. Type or print neatly, using black ink.
3. Leave blank the questions that do not apply to you.
4. Include the area code with each phone number given.
5. Please make sure to sign the Responsibility Release, initial the Covenant and have your pastor sign the Church Recommendation.
6. Write out your Conversion Testimony as instructed below and return with your INFORMATION FORM. If you are a returning volunteer, please submit a testimony different from your Conversion testimony, such as one of the others listed below.

## Sharing your Personal Conversion Testimony

You can share the good news of Christ by giving your testimony as you meet people in the churches, market-places, cabs, hotels and eating places. It is often good to learn a little about the person with whom you are sharing. Share with them that you have come because Christ has made a difference in your life. Be prepared to share your testimony in about two minutes (about 180 words). The following is a good outline to follow in preparing to share your testimony. Using this outline and guide, write out your testimony on a separate sheet of paper. You may wish to practice sharing it with another person. Avoid words that people from non-Christian backgrounds are unfamiliar.

1. My life before receiving Christ as Savior and Lord
  - A. Did you grow up in a religious or non-religious home?
  - B. What were you missing?
2. How I received Christ as Savior and Lord
  - A. How did God convict you of your lost condition?
  - B. How did you come to understand the "good news"?
  - C. Exactly how did you receive Christ as Savior and Lord?
3. The difference Christ now makes in my life
  - A. What benefits do you now enjoy?
  - B. How have your priorities changed?

In addition to a short testimony of conversion, it is recommended that you prepare several other testimonies for oral presentation. Subjects to be considered are: "What does Christ mean to me in my family," "What does Christ mean to me on the job," "What does Christ mean to me in the community," or "What does Christ mean to me in my church." These are for your personal preparation only.

## Mail the completed form and your testimony to:

Missions Mobilization Group  
South Carolina Baptist Convention  
190 Stoneridge Drive  
Columbia, SC 29210-8254



General Health <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Poor	If any question is checked, please attach an explanation. <input type="checkbox"/> Have physical disability <input type="checkbox"/> Have a chronic ailment	List countries and dates of any previous overseas volunteer service. 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____ 7. _____
Food, Medication or Other Allergies	Please list on a separate sheet any medications and dosages that are taken on a regular basis. This information will only be used if there is an emergency.	
If any question is checked, attach a note indicating your willingness to refrain from this during the course of an assignment. <input type="checkbox"/> Drinking alcoholic beverages <input type="checkbox"/> Smoke		

## PERMANENT CONTACT PERSON

Name Last	First	Middle	Relationship
Address			Home Phone
City	State	ZIP	E-mail Address
			Business Phone

## CHURCH RECOMMENDATION

The \_\_\_\_\_ Baptist Church of \_\_\_\_\_ wholeheartedly recommends the above person to the International Mission Board and the South Carolina Baptist Convention as sound in his/her faith and spiritually equipped to serve on the \_\_\_\_\_ volunteer project in \_\_\_\_\_ (date)

(country/city/people group)

Pastor's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## RESPONSIBILITY RELEASE

I understand that I am required to have in force medical and disability insurance coverage, effective both inside and outside the United States, during the entire period of my volunteer service and that such coverage will be purchased prior to my departure.

If I accept a term of volunteer service, I wish to make clear my understanding that the International Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, the North American Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, the Woman's Missionary Union, an auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, and/or the South Carolina Baptist Convention, and their respective affiliates, directors, officers, employees, agents, successors and assigns (collectively referred to as the "Released Parties"), do not assume responsibility for any loss of property, damage to the same, personal harm or illness that may come, and that I knowingly and willingly assume the risk of any such losses, injuries or damages. For and in consideration of my admission to volunteer service, and for such other valuable consideration, I, for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators, distributes and assigns, hereby:

1. Release and fully discharge the Released Parties from any claims, losses, injuries, or other damages related to or arising from my volunteer service; and
2. Agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Released Parties from any and all claims, losses, injuries and damages that may arise from my volunteer service, including but not limited to any claims submitted by me or on my behalf.

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

Witness \_\_\_\_\_

## MY COVENANT

I covenant to make spiritual preparation for this assignment, to participate in Cross Cultural Training and to seek a servant's heart as I serve our Lord abroad. My conduct, in word and deed, will honor the Lord Jesus Christ. The words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart will be pleasing in His sight. I will employ my skills, talents and spiritual gifts in the building and expansion of the Kingdom of God in the place where I will serve – as God gives me inner strength and wisdom.

Initial \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_