Mission Trip Application UGANDA, AFRICA

Please Check appropriate Date:

☐ **Team 1 May 19-June 2, 2012**

☐ **Team 2 June 16 – 30, 2012**

Please Print Clearly:

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____State: _____ Zip:_____

Home Phone: (___)_____ Work Phone: (___)_____

Cell Phone (___)_____

E-Mail: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age:_____ Marital Status:_____ Sex: M F

List any health problems or concerns that we need to be aware of: _____

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Do you have any medical restrictions or handicaps that we need to make any special provisions for?
If yes, please explain:

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Any known allergies: _____

2012 Uganda Mission Trip Application

The Central Community Short Term Mission Trips exist for the purpose of changing lives, turning uncommitted people into fully devoted followers of Christ both here and abroad. Team members accomplish this through these individual and team approaches:

Worship –Make preparations here to share in worship with the Uganda church family during services there. Worship here through daily individual devotional times in spiritual preparation for the trip. In Uganda participate with team in daily devotional group times.

Evangelism – Prepare here to share your testimony and then share as God presents opportunities while in travel and in Uganda.

Fellowship – Develop close bonds with team members prior to trip by participating in training and fund raising opportunities and in Uganda encourage other team members through positive interaction.

Discipleship – Prepare here to provide meaningful spiritual and biblical growth opportunities for the children, youth, women and pastors we meet in Uganda. Lead and participate in planned activities in Uganda, remaining flexible and open to making changes as the Holy Spirit and project leaders direct.

Service – Sacrificially serve through fund raising opportunities here and discover and develop your unique spiritual gifts and talents in preparation for using them to serve those we minister to in Uganda.

Team members may at times find themselves in physical and emotional distressful situations. In some locations living conditions are primitive and cultural differences are challenging. Applicants should be aware that this trip takes extra energy and patience. A positive attitude and helpful team spirit is essential. In order to put together the best possible team, we need to get to know you better so please *answer all questions as honestly as possible and use the back or attach extra sheets as needed*. Team size is limited and several criteria will be used to select team members. **This application is due in the Missions Office by December 31, 2011.**

1. What made you interested in this trip? _____
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2. Have you done anything like this before? Is this your first time to travel to Uganda? List the particular year(s) you have traveled with Central Community Church to Uganda if this is not your first trip. _____
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3. (For applicants who have attended a previous short-term trip) Please describe how you have applied the training/experience you received from your mission trip in local ministry:_____
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4. What has God been doing in your life to prepare you for this kind of trip?_____
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5. What areas of your spiritual life are you the most interested in developing? How do you think this trip might further your spiritual growth?_____
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6. Have you had any cross-cultural experience here in the U.S. or abroad on a trip other than mentioned above?_____
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7. How did you become a Christian? (use back or attach separate sheet if needed) _____
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8. How long have you attended Central Community Church?_____
9. How would you describe your current relationship with God?_____
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10. Do you serve in any area of the church? What do you do?_____
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11. Have you ever helped with a Missions Fund Raiser? If so, please list which ones and what year? _____
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12. What skills and experiences do you have that will be useful on this trip to Uganda?_____
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13. Please describe your experience working on a team. What role do you often take when you work with others? What have you learned about yourself from working with others?_____
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14. Give an example of a time when you worked through a tense relational situation. How would you handle the situation differently if you could do it again?_____
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15. Do you tend more to avoid or confront conflict?_____
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16. Tell me about a leader or two that you respect…what are they like?_____
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17. If Satan were to attack you in some area of your life, where would it be? How would you try to overcome the attack?_____
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18. In my process of getting to know you, are there any big events or changes in your life this past year or two that would be important for me to know about you?_____
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19. Do you have any health concerns as you think about this trip (sickness, allergies, back problems, asthma, etc.)_____
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20. Are you able to fulfill all the team member responsibilities listed in the Team Commitment? _____(Please attach signed copy)

21. Is there anything we have not discussed that may affect you on this trip: such as family issues, health issues, addictive behavior, unresolved relationship issues?_____
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22. Please list 3 references of people who have known you at least one year. At least one should be a pastor/ministry leader.

Name	Relationship	Phone
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Team Commitment

I realize that the following elements are crucial to the effectiveness, quality and safety of our trip together. As a member of the Uganda Mission Team, I agree to:

1. Remember that I am a guest working at the invitation of a local missionary. If my hosts are offended by bare arms, shirtless backs or exposed legs, I'll cover them. If they offer me goat meat stews, I'll try it! I'll remember the missionaries' prayer: "Where you lead me, I will follow; what you feed me, I will swallow!"
2. Remember that ultimately we have come to learn, not to teach. I may run across procedures that I feel are inefficient, or attitudes that I find closed minded. I may have done things differently on a previous mission trip. I'll resist the temptation to inform our hosts about "how we do things" or "how we have done things on other trips". I'll be open to learning other people's methods and ideas.
3. Respect the host's view of Christianity. I recognize that Christianity has many faces throughout the world and that the purpose of this trip is to witness and experience faith lived out in a new setting.
4. **Develop and maintain a servant attitude toward all nationals and my teammates.**
5. Respect my team leader(s) and his or her decisions.
6. Refrain from gossip. I may be surprised at how each person will blossom when freed from the concern that others may be passing judgment.
7. **Refrain from complaining.** I know that travel can present numerous unexpected and undesired circumstances, but the rewards of conquering such circumstances are innumerable. Instead of whining and complaining, I'll be creative and supportive.
8. Respect the work that is going on in the country with the particular church, agency, or person(s) that we are working with. I realize that our team is here for just a short while, but that the missionary and local church is here for the long term. I will respect their knowledge, insights and instructions.
9. **Attend all team meetings** (Contact Cheri Clark to make arrangements to receive the info given out).
10. Refrain from negative political comments or hostile discussions concerning our host countries politics.
11. **Remember, not to be exclusive in my relationships.** If my sweetheart, spouse or best friend is on the team, we will make every effort to interact with all members of the team, not just one another. If I am attracted to a teammate, I will not attempt to pursue an exclusive relationship until we return home.
12. Refrain from any activity that could be construed as romantic interest toward a national. I realize certain activities that seem innocuous in my own culture may be inappropriate in others. I will make sure that I am never alone, at any time, with someone of the opposite sex from the host culture.
13. **Abstain from the consumption of alcoholic beverages or the use of tobacco** while on the trip, in order not to offend anyone on the team or in the host culture.

Signed _____ Date _____