

SHINING THE LIGHT IN DARK PLACES



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PRISONERS FOR **CHRIST**

FOREIGN MISSIONARY APPLICATION PACKET

PROFILE FORMS

Part 1

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INITIAL APPLICATION FORM

Introduction: Thank you for your interest in potential missionary service through Prisoners For Christ Outreach Ministries. This introductory form is designed to help us get acquainted better. It is not a formal application to Prisoners For Christ Outreach Ministries. It does not commit you to missionary service. It allows us to explore possibilities, and it will help us to advise you as to where you might fit with Prisoners For Christ Outreach Ministries, or even may help us direct you toward other more compatible mission agencies. We at Prisoners For Christ are more concerned with the growth of God's work, and not simply the work or ministry of Prisoners For Christ. There are many excellent mission agencies doing fine work around the world. The question is not which one is **best**, but which one is best for which missionary.

Our goal is to see people placed on a team, in a field, with a sending agency, that is best adapted to them as people. We don't just want to see many missionaries mobilized and sent to the fields. We are committed to seeing people mobilized, sustained, and facilitated on the field in such a way that they become **successful and effective ministers of the Gospel**. As a result of this commitment, we recognize the missions application process as one in which we look for a match between candidates and agencies, and within Prisoners for Christ between teams, institutions, situations, and people. The more you can tell us about yourself, the better we will be able to advise and assist you in following the Lord's leading in your life.

This Form Must be filled out in English!

| GENERAL INFORMATION | | | |
|--|-------------|----------------------------|-----------------|
| Full Name: | | | |
| Mailing Address: | | | City: |
| Region/Province: | Country: | Passport #: | |
| Postal Zip Code: (If applicable) | Home Phone: | | Cell Phone: |
| Email Address: | Birth date: | Age: | Place of Birth: |
| CHRISTIAN EXPERIENCE | | | |
| Date of conversion: | | Date and Place of Baptism: | |
| What church are you now attending? | | | |
| Denomination: | | | |
| Are you a member? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If no, Please explain. | | | |
| Do you attend regularly: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If no, Please explain. | | | |
| When did you join? | | | |
| How long have you been a member: _____ If less than two years, list previous church: | | | |

4. Name and address of your pastor:

5. Are you applying for full time or part time status as a PFC Missionary? Full time Part time

6. If you are applying for “full time” status do you understand that the expectation is that you will have no other secular job or other paid responsibilities within the local church or other missionary agency?
 Yes I understand.

7. How are you currently serving in your church?

8. Have you made a personal acceptance of Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior of your life?

9. Do you know for sure that if you died tonight that you would go to heaven? Please explain.

10. What gives you the right to go to God’s heaven? Please explain.

11. Do you know how to share your faith with someone? Yes No Not Sure

12. What experience have you had in Christian work?

13. Have you been ordained? If so, when? Where? By whom?

14. Why do you want to become a “full time” prison missionary?

15. Are you currently serving in prison ministry? Yes No If yes, please explain how long and where.

16. What institutions are you currently visiting and how often?

17. What is your practice in your personal prayer life and Bible study?

18. If you are married, how does your spouse feel about you working with Prisoners for Christ on a “full time” basis?

19. Have you ever been called upon to be a leader within the church? Please explain.

20. What are your strongest areas of leadership? Please explain.

21. What may be your weakest areas leadership? Please explain.

22. Do you know what your “spiritual” gifts are? If yes, please explain.

23. Do you have the gift of administration? How well organized are you? Please explain.

24. Do you have a computer?

If No, do you have access to a computer?

What is your email address?

25. Do you speak and write English?

If no do you have access to an interpreter?

24. Please answer the following:

- a. Do you consider your life to above reproach? Yes No If no, please explain on additional paper
- b. Do you have an anger problem? Yes No If yes, please explain on additional paper
- c. Are you free from gossip, slander, and feelings of ill will? Yes No If no, please explain on additional paper
- d. Are you a good manager of your household? Yes No If no, please explain on additional paper
- e. Do you possess Christian dignity in all things? Yes No If no, please explain on additional paper
- f. Are you free from a quarrelsome attitude? Yes No If no, please explain on additional paper
- g. Do you spend time daily reading the Bible and in prayer? Yes No If no, please explain on additional paper
- h. Are you willing to stand alone if necessary, in support of the scriptures?
Yes No If no, please explain on additional paper
- I. Is your spouse supportive of you going into full time missions work?
Yes No If no, please explain on additional paper

STATEMENT OF FAITH

We believe:

1. That there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. *John 5:7*
2. The Bible to be the inspired, inerrant, infallible, authoritative word of God. *II Tim. 3:16-17.*
3. Man is by nature a sinner from birth. *Ps. 51:5.*
4. Jesus Christ was virgin born, sinless, died on the cross for the sins of the world, was buried raised from the dead on the third day and is coming again. *Matt. 1:18; Heb. 4:15; 1 Cor. 15:1-4; John 14:3-4.*
5. Salvation is a free gift, bestowed by God's grace and received by faith. *Eph 2:8-9.*
6. Immersion in water of a professed believer is the biblical baptism and such baptism is symbolic of Christ's death, burial, and resurrection. *Rom. 6:1-4. Acts 8:36-39.*
7. A believer's salvation is secured by Christ alone. *John 10:27-28.*
8. The church is the bride of Christ and the body of Christ. *1 Cor. 12 Eph. 5:25-33.*
9. The local church is governed by Godly men known as elders or bishops. *Titus 1:5ff.*
10. The purpose of the church on earth is to fulfill the last command of Jesus. *Matt. 28:18-20.*
11. Christians are endowed with spiritual gifts which enable them to minister in the church. *Eph. 4:11ff.*
12. The Holy Spirit, whom every believer receives at conversion leads and guides us. *Eph. 1:13-14.*
13. In the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a Godly life and in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus.

I have read, I understand, and I am in accord with the Prisoners for Christ Statement of Faith.

I have read the Prisoners for Christ Statement of Faith and disagree with some of it.
(Please explain the areas that you disagree with on a separate sheet of paper.)

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Print: _____

Ten Questions to Ask Yourself BEFORE Proceeding to Phase Two

These are questions that do not need to be written out. These questions are for your use only!

1. Am I really feeling called of God to move into full time service?
2. When the going gets tough, can I really trust the Lord to meet the financial needs of myself and my family?
3. What qualifies me to serve in full time missionary work?
4. What would I bring to Prisoners for Christ in terms of my experience, abilities, interests, resources, and relationships?
5. Do I really believe in what this organization stands for and the direction of Prisoners for Christ?
6. Do I feel truly supportive of the organization's staff?
7. Are there any hidden things in my life that would disqualify me from serving in full time service, if they were known?
8. Why should I serve?
9. Do I sense the Holy Spirit's leading in this decision?

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A Missionary Profile

- Meets Scriptural qualifications (1 Timothy 3, Titus 1).
- Has significant level of experience in situations that have demonstrated strong character qualities.
- Is God-oriented with their life and sense of purpose; is focused more on God than on personal achievements, family, mission, or program.
- Is motivated by faith in the supernatural work of God.
- Is a person of prayer.
- Is able to be decisive.
- Is positive and focused on the future, yet is also realistic--aware of reality, but not shackled by it.
- Thinks critically, without a critical attitude.
- Is a natural encourager for the whole team.
- Believes strongly in the objectives of the ministry.
- Can think independently without insisting on "my way."
- Is humble and not judgmental.
- Keeps priorities clear while being able to sort many details in a confusing situation.
- Shows a willingness to adapt a program to meet needs.
- Demonstrates ability to delegate effectively.
- If married, has a spouse willing to have them serve in full time ministry.
- Has a servant-leader attitude.
- Is willing to work, and to serve.
- Is able to work *with* the ministry team, not against it.
- Brings a wide variety of successful experiences.
- Has rebounded from failure, with integrity and shows a desire to grow and to learn.
- Demonstrates a commitment to honesty, loyalty, and excellence.
- Understands the importance of confidentiality on sensitive information.

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