

SAMPLE SUPPORT LETTER

It is natural to have some feelings of discomfort in asking others to help support you in going on a mission's trip. But keep in mind that you are not asking money for yourself, but instead are giving them the chance to partner with you in fulfilling the Great Commission. This sample letter is meant as a guide to give you an idea of how to write your own support letter. Try not to copy it word for word but instead give your letter a personal touch. Consider adding graphics such as a picture of you, map of the country you are going to, etc.

Dear << Name >>,

This summer I have the wonderful opportunity of going to << name of country >> on a short-term mission trip with my church, Dallas Baptist Church. God has put this trip on my heart and I desire to go and be used by Him for His glory and minister to the people of << name of country >>.

The trip to << name of country >> is scheduled for << dates of trip >>. Before we depart we will be spending time in orientation and preparing for various ministry opportunities. Ministry opportunities being planned includes << list the specific opportunities being planned for your trip >>.

Before this trip can take place I need to trust God to provide a team of partners who will support me both in prayer as well as in finances. Some current prayer requests I have are:
<<List several specific prayer requests>>

Thank you for praying for me. If you would be willing to be a prayer partner please let me know and I will send you more prayer requests prior to our departure.

The cost of the trip is approximately << \$\$\$ >>, which includes all my travel, lodging, food and trip insurance. I am expected to have one-half of the money by << give date >> and the balance by << give date >>. If the Lord leads you to support me financially, please consider sending your gift by << the day before the date when half is due >>.

You can send your gift to me at the address below or directly to Dallas Baptist Church. You will receive a tax-deductible receipt from Dallas Baptist Church for your gift. Checks should be made payable to Dallas Baptist Church with "Nicaragua Mission: <<my name>>" in the MEMO section.

Thank you so much for the time and consideration that you've given this request.

Sincerely in Christ,

<< Your Name & Address >>

Church Address: Dallas Baptist Church; P.O. Box 5; Dallas, PA 18612