

Pastor's Reference

Name of Applicant:

Date:

Dear Pastor or Church Leader,

The above applicant is being considered to participate in a short-term mission trip. Our team will join career missionaries on the field for 10 to 14 days, experiencing life and ministry among unreached peoples around the world.

Below, you will find a series of questions that must be answered by you in order for the applicant to proceed in this process. Our desire is to see the local church involved in the acceptance, sending, and ongoing counselling of our applicants. When traveling overseas, people are affected by culture shock and stress in ways that often bring out the best and the worst in them. Therefore, we appreciate your willingness to help us understand this individual's strengths and weaknesses. It would be most helpful to both the applicant and Galcom International if you would be completely candid in your remarks. This reference will remain confidential.

If you have any questions or concerns about the applicant, what they will be doing during the trip, or about Galcom International in general, please contact me at shelley@galcom.org. Thank you for taking the time to complete this form. May God bless you in your ministry, Shelley Wyatt

Reference Questions

How long and in what capacity have you known this person?

To what extent would you consider him/her grounded in their Christian beliefs and knowledge of the Bible?

What strengths have you perceived in the applicant?

What areas of weakness or need for growth have you perceived in the applicant?

Describe the applicant's character in the area of a) teachability b) servanthood and c) response to authority.

How would you describe the applicant's relationship with their family?

Estimate the applicant's ability to maintain healthy relationships with the same sex:

GOOD	AVERAGE	POOR
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And those of the opposite sex:

GOOD	AVERAGE	POOR
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If the answer to either of the two previous questions is poor, please explain:

If you were a host missionary, what would you want to know about this person, both positive and negative, before you welcomed them into your home for this trip and time? Would you want them on the team?

Print name:

Occupation:

Church Name and Address:

Phone:

Email:

Please return this form directly to:

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