APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS & CHECKLIST:

2019 MISSION TRIP

OVERVIEW: This application is for those who would like to participate in Abingdon Bible Church's 2019 missions trip to Kansas City, KS in partnership with Countryside Baptist Church of Overland Park, KS (cside.org), and Redemption Hill Church in Lawrence, KS (rhlawrence.org). The trip will take place from Friday, July 19 to Saturday, July 27th.

GOAL: The Goal of this trip is general exposure to a church-planting situation in an urban, and suburban Midwest culture that is different to what we're used to. Particular emphasis will be given to purposing to live on mission for the gospel of Christ in places in America where there is less gospel witness than there is in the Bible belt of the rural southeast. We plan to encourage teens in a small church-planting context, to see inner-city ministries that don't exist here, and to learn from a larger church that has emphasized planting smaller churches in tough areas. We want to learn about the challenges of church planting first-hand, and how faithful, spiritually-mature Christians of any age can be a priceless asset to a church plant.

Use this checklist to ensure you complete the application thoroughly.

Checklist: Please read, sign, and return the following parts of your completed application:

0	The Basic Requirements Form (p. 3)
0	The Financial Information Form (p. 5)
0	The Code of Conduct Form (p. 5-6)
0	The Liability Release Form (p. 7)

Sign Up Deadline: Submit your completed/signed application forms (the 4 forms listed above), and include your \$100.00 deposit (payable to Abingdon Bible Church) in an envelope and turn it in to Pastor Kevin by Sunday, April 7th to secure your spot.

Limited Seats!

This trip has 25 available slots, including chaperones (seating/space in rental vehicles is a limiting factor as well as space in host homes, and the ability to move through a large city's downtown area more easily). Preference will be given to those who have completed 8th grade through those who have completed 12th grade. College students and other non-youth who wish to join us will be considered only if extra seats are still available.

Note: This is a mission trip application form. Once your application has been received and reviewed, then Pastor Kevin will contact you regarding your participation on the trip. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Kevin at pastorkevinb@gmail.com

I. BASIC REQUIREMENTS

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I understand and agree to the following principles:

- 1. **Age:** I have completed the 8th grade. (This trip is reserved for those who are entering 9th grade in the Fall of 2019 and up. Preference will be given to youth over college students and adults interested in joining us. There is a maximum of 25 seats including chaperones).
- 2. I actively attend Abingdon Bible Church and consider it my home church. (Potential participants who do not attend ABC as their home church will be considered on a case by case basis.)
- 3. As a Christ-follower, I will commit to engaging in spiritual preparation for the mission trip by praying for trip preparations, praying for team members, the people to whom we will minister, and praying for our ministry partners on site.
- 4. I will attend all trip meetings (all absences must be cleared with Pastor Kevin ahead of time).
- 5. I am physically able to endure strenuous work, play sports safely, and walk long distances (the nature of our activities on this trip will vary widely from activity to activity).
- 6. I am willing to be a part of the team and put the team first, even if it means sacrificing my personal preferences. I am willing to serve in areas assigned, even if it is something I would not choose on my own.
- 7. I am willing to act submissively and respectfully to all authorities with the goal of making this trip a successful and spiritually valuable experience.
- 8. I will adhere to all deadlines (all participants must abide by the deadlines for application, deposits and payments).

NOTE: If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Kevin at pastorkevinb@gmail.com

I have read the above and agree to the above policies, rules, and terms.		
Participant's Name (Please Print)	Signature	
Legal Guardian/Parent (Please Print)	Signature	
	Date:	

II. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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I understand and agree to the following conditions:

- 1. I agree to the base trip fee of \$200.00 per person, and the associated recommended spending money necessary to be a member of this mission team (see recommended spending money breakdown below) (Deposit of \$100 due April 7, remaining \$100 due by May 5th, 2019).
- 2. If inappropriate behavior and/or breaking of any team covenants, policies, or rules should occur resulting in the consequence of being sent home, no money will be refunded. Additionally, the costs associated with these disciplinary actions shall be your responsibility.
- 3. **Recommended Spending Money is \$200 per person** (above the base fee of \$200/person), for a total general cost of \$400 per person. It is recommended that cash NOT be carried, but that each student had a card with access to the amount recommended).

\$60 (6 x \$10) for travel (fast food) meals, 3 going, and 3 returning.
\$60 per person (4 x \$15) meals while out on the town, in Kansas City or Lawrence
\$75 per person, for miscellaneous fees - tours/sites we want to visit, and general spending.
Total:

\$195 rounded up to \$200/person.

**Please note that <u>financial assistance is available</u> through different funds reserved by Abingdon Bible Church for our annual missions trips. If finances are a concern or a stress for your family, please allow us to bless you through the generosity of our church membership. These funds are intentionally budgeted to allow the church to be a blessing in this way. Speak with Pastor Kevin or Pastor Paul if this applies to you.

NOTE: If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Kevin at pastorkevinb@gmail.com

Participant's Name (Please Print)

Legal Guardian if Under 18
(Please Print)

Signature

Signature

One of the above policies, rules, and terms.

III. CODE OF CONDUCT

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I understand that all who participate in this mission trip are expected to observe and adhere to the following standard of conduct during the entire duration of the event, including the travel time of the mission trip. As a participant, I understand and agree that:

- 1. I will pray for the team/trip leaders and give them my undivided support. I will follow them without criticism or delay. A spirit of unity, care and concern for my teammates, and gentleness will guide my thoughts and actions throughout this event.
- 2. **Clothing:** I will adhere to any dress code established for the event at all times. Activities will range from church services, to youth rallies, to walking around the inner city of Kansas City and touring facilities, to helping our host churches with service projects. Clothing should reflect this wide variety of contexts.
 - a. Guys: The primary goal is that when people observe you they see Christ-like character. "Showing off" in how you dress isn't becoming of a Christian. This can apply to inappropriate wording or images on our clothing, clothing that is too tight or does not cover up. Please apply the principles of modesty found in scripture and make God look good to those around you. If one of our male chaperones asks you to change or adjust your appearance, please accept their advice and follow it as they have your best interests at heart.
 - b. Gals: The primary goal is that when people observe you they see Christ-like character. "Showing off" in how you dress isn't becoming of a Christian. This can apply to inappropriate wording or images on our clothing, clothing that is too tight or does not cover up. Please apply the principles of modesty found in scripture and make God look good to those around you. If one of our lady chaperones asks you to change or adjust your appearance, please accept their advice and follow it as they have your best interests at heart.
- 3. I will not leave the team or the vicinity of our work unless directed or allowed to do so by team leaders/chaperones.
- 4. I agree that contact/interactions with members of the opposite sex should be limited and controlled so that we reflect the light of God and avoid even the appearance of any inappropriate behavior. Think in terms of "brothers and sisters" serving shoulder to shoulder, because in Christ that is what you are! Protect each other's character and reputations instead of looking for acceptance in one another's affections in a way that is distracting to anyone, yourselves included. Any couples who participate in the trip need to maintain a "group focus" for the benefit of the group atmosphere, and can look forward to exclusive time again after the trip is over.
- 5. I will not participate in activities which are, or which may be seen by others as, inconsistent with a Christian lifestyle.
- 6. I will not use profanity at any time.
- 7. I understand that I cannot smoke or consume tobacco products at any time.
- 8. I will not possess or consume alcoholic beverages or assist others in doing so.

- 9. I will not possess, use, or distribute any drug or substance for which possession or distribution is unlawful either in Virginia or at our destination.
- 10. I will abide by any additional guidelines, which may be deemed necessary by the team/trip leaders during the event.
- 11. I understand that these guidelines are intended to make the trip successful and Godhonoring, and that failure to abide by these guidelines may –at the discretion of team leadership—result in my being sent home at my expense.

Participant's Name(Please Print)	Signature	
Legal Guardian (if under 18) (Please Print)	Signature	
	Date:	

I have read the above and agree to the above policies, rules, and terms.

(Code of Conduct - page 2)

IV. LIABILITY RELEASE

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Release of all Claims

In consideration for being accepted by Abingdon Bible Church for participation in this mission trip from July 19, 2019 through July 27, 2019, I do hereby release, forever discharge and agree to hold harmless Abingdon Bible Church, Countryside Baptist Church of Overland Park, KS, and Redemption Hill Church of Lawrence, KS, and the various directors thereof from any and all liability, claims or demands for personal injury, sickness or death, as well as property damage and expenses, of any nature whatsoever which may be incurred by the undersigned and the child-participant that occur while said child is participating in the above described trip or activity. Furthermore, I hereby assume all risk of personal injury, sickness, death, damage and expense as a result of participation in recreation and work activities involved therein. Further, authorization and permission is hereby given to said churches/ministries to furnish any necessary transportation, food and lodging for this participant.

The undersigned further hereby agree to hold harmless and indemnify said churches/ministries, their directors, employees and agents, for any liability sustained by said churches/ministries as the result of the negligent, willful or intentional acts of said participant, including expenses incurred attendant thereto.

(If the participant has not attained the age of 18 years):

We (I) are the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of this participant, and hereby grant our (my) permission for him/her to participate fully in said trip, and hereby give our (my) permission to take said participant to a doctor or hospital and hereby authorize medical treatment, including but not in limitation to emergency surgery or medical treatment, and assume the responsibility of all medical bills, if any.

Further, should it be necessary for the participant to return home due to medical reasons, disciplinary action or otherwise, we (I) hereby assume all transportation costs.

(Print name of Participant)	(Signature of Participant)			
(Date)				
(Only participant need sign if 18 years of age or older. If under 18, parents must sign				
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(Legal Guardian)	(Parent/Guardian Telephone)			
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