

Missionary Assessment Checklist for Churches

It's always exciting when God moves a member of your congregation to seek a future in global ministry, but sometimes it's hard to know exactly how to encourage that person. Here are fifteen basic questions we encourage you to ask someone interested in cross-cultural ministry. The goal isn't to give them a grade, but to instead find out where they are on this journey and discern how your church can best walk with them through this exciting time.

If your church has any questions about missionary assessment or sending missionaries, please contact us at churches@team.org.

- ▶ How would you describe your relationship in Christ?
- ▶ How have you sensed God's call toward international ministry?
- ▶ What kind of overseas ministry interests you?
- ▶ What ministries are you currently involved in that are consistent with this call towards missionary work?
- ▶ How does this ministry relate to your spiritual gifts and those of your spouse?
- ▶ How are you currently exercising your spiritual gifts?
- ▶ When would you like to start ministering overseas?
- ▶ What experience and/or training has prepared you for this kind of ministry? What additional training would you need or would you benefit from?
- ▶ What experience have you had living and/or working overseas?
- ▶ Have you traveled to the region/country that interests you? What do you know about the area?
- ▶ What current commitments (family, professional, financial, etc.) might make an overseas assignment challenging for you?
- ▶ Have you spoken with any agencies or organizations?
- ▶ How do you see the role of this church in your calling to global ministry?
- ▶ Who in our church might sense that God is calling you overseas? Have you invited them into your life as you discern God's leading?
- ▶ How can our church help you grow and develop in this calling?

So after they had fasted and prayed, they placed their hands on them and sent them off.

Acts 13:3