



My *Full Name* as it appears on my passport:

My birthday (mm/dd/yyyy):

My Email Address: (please print legibly)

My Parent's Email Address: (please print legibly)

My Phone Number:

My Parent's Phone Number:

Have you been on a mission trip with us before? : Yes No

Highest level of Discipleship completed: 101 201 301 None

Are you an *active* member of Sunday School at Shandon: (at least 3 Sundays a month):

Yes No

Why do you want to go to Cuba?

803 Mission Trip Checklist

Havana, Cuba | June 12-19

Cost: \$1,500

Requirements:

Completed Discipleship
301 and 75% Sunday
School Attendance

*Sunday School Attendance tracking begins
December 2nd and ends June 9th

Discount Offers

If you attend Sunday School from 12/2/18 - 6/9/19

80-89% attendance: \$100 off

90-100% attendance: \$200 off

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Team Selection & Requirements:

- Number of spots is limited
- Actively involved in Sunday School (75% attendance)
- Student must have completed Discipleship 301
- Must attend Training Meeting on Sunday, May 19th

Due by December 2nd– Secures a Spot on the Trip

- Deposit -\$150 – Non-refundable
- Application Form
- Contribution Form (attached to packet)

Payment Schedule

- By December 2nd- \$150 Deposit and Application Due (First Page of This Packet)
- By March 10th - \$750- **Half is due in order to buy plane ticket and attend the trip. Once ticket is bought, MONEY IS NON-REFUNDABLE. Copy of passport is also due - turn in to Kelly Keely.**
- By April 28th - \$375
- By June 2nd - \$375 / Balance Due

Trip Summary

- We're headed to Havana, Cuba
- Leaving on Wednesday, June 12 and coming back Thursday, June 20

Keep this page for your records. Complete the following pages and turn them into the student ministry office by December 2nd.

If you are interested in going on the trip as an adult or if you have any further questions about the trip, contact Kelly Keely at kkeely@shandon.org or (803) 782-1300 x120

SUPPORT LETTER SAMPLE

THIS IS JUST A SAMPLE LETTER- MAKE IT PERSONAL AND YOUR OWN! HANDWRITTEN IS EVEN BETTER! MAKE SURE TO ATTACH A CONTRIBUTION FORM TO EACH LETTER. ALL DONATIONS MUST HAVE THIS FORM WITH IT.

Dear Friends and Family:

I hope that this letter finds you doing well. I wanted to let you know of a great opportunity that God has placed in front of me. I will be participating in a mission trip this summer to (location) from {date}. I am so excited to see how God is going to work through me and work in me as I prepare and go to serve Him on the mission field. Our team is going to be doing many different ministries, from discipleship training local teenage students, to evangelism and social work. It is going to be a great time. I am sharing this with you in order to ask for your support.

First, I would ask that you would pray for those to whom we will be ministering. II Peter 3:9b reads, "He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance." Our Lord desires that all be saved and they cannot become saved until they are able to hear the Gospel of Jesus Christ. So please pray that, as we go to (location), those we meet will desire to learn about Jesus Christ.

Second, please pray for us as we minister. Ephesians 6:18 reads, "And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints." There will be many challenges as we minister in India. Please pray that we will have a strong sense of discernment as we talk with the Indians.

Lastly, I would ask for your financial support as God leads you to give. The total cost of my trip is going to be \$(amount here). I am trusting in the Lord that He will call many to give financially so that this trip will be made possible. In II Corinthians 9:12-13, Paul writes, "This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of God's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, men will praise God ... for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else." We want to give you the opportunity to partner with us in this ministry through your finances. If you decide to contribute, please return the attached contribution form with your check and make checks out to Shandon Baptist Church.

Thank you so much for considering.

Thank you,

(sign your name)



Financial and Information Systems Guide

Shandon Baptist Church

5250 Forest Drive " Columbia, South Carolina 29206-4999

Section	1-11
Effective	October 2016

Mission Trip Contributions

Policy:

Integral to Shandon’s mission, we have regular scheduled trips, both domestic and International, which are used to spread the Gospel and assist in establishing evangelistic ministries. The IRS guidelines governing contributions for mission trips as tax deductible donations are complex. **The church does not provide any tax counsel or guidance to a donor, nor does it assume any responsibility other than that required by law.** In general, the only time a contribution can be considered a tax-deductible contribution for a mission trip is:

- When the donor understands that the financial gift is an irrevocable transfer. The church cannot refund the financial gift without serious legal risks to both the Church and the individual.
- The church at all times maintains administrative control of the trip and the expenditures related to the trip.

The mission trip is consistent with Shandon’s evangelistic mission and does not have a recreational focus.

General Guideline:

Unless otherwise specified below, all funds received for mission trips will be treated as tax-deductible contributions and are considered non-refundable donations to the Church. If a participant cancels, any funds received will be placed in the general mission trip account. If the trip is cancelled by Shandon, a credit will be offered to participants for future trips within the following 12 months.

Non-Contribution Payments:

An individual may submit payment for a mission trip as a non-contribution payment. In this case, the funds will not be considered donations to the Church and are not tax-deductible. These payments will be refundable if the team member does not participate in the trip. To make a non-contribution payment, complete the form below

I wish for the attached financial payment to be used to cover the expenses of the person listed below for the trip noted below. So that this payment may be designated for the explicit use of the stated individual, as well as to be refundable in the event that this individual is unable to participate, I hereby waive any consideration of this payment as a tax-deductible donation.

Funds are to cover the expenses of: _____

Name and Date of Mission Trip: _____

Name of Person Making Payment: _____ Payment Amount: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Sunday School Tracking Form for Mission Trip Discount:

This form must be turned in on June 2nd in order to receive any discounts.

Dec 2 _____

Dec 9 _____

Dec 16 _____

Dec 23 - No SS

Dec 30 - No SS

Jan 6 _____

Jan 13 _____

Jan 20 _____

Jan 27 _____

Feb 3 _____

Feb 10 _____

Feb 17 _____

Feb 24 _____

Mar 3 _____

Mar 10 _____

Mar 24 _____

Mar 31 _____

Apr 7 _____

Apr 14 _____

Apr 21 _____

Apr 28 _____

May 5 _____

May 12 _____

May 19 _____

May 26 _____

June 2 _____

June 9* _____

On June 9, 2019 I affirm that these dates are truthful and accurate.

Parent Signature:

X _____

Student Signature:

X _____

Student Print Name:

X _____

Trip Attending:

*Balance due with this form