

**WEST HIGHLAND FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH
WEST HIGHLAND TEAM APPLICATION FORM**

Applicant Personal Information

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Gender: M / F Date of Birth: ____/____/____ (m/d/y)

E-mail: _____ Member: Y [] N [] Attending Since _____

Address: _____ Telephone: _____

Mission Organization and Type of Service: _____

Date of Mission Trip: From _____ To: _____

Please answer the following questions. Use additional sheets of paper if necessary and staple to application form.

1. How do you know that you are a Christian?

2. Describe any involvement you have had in West Highland ministries or activities.

3. What are your previous experiences and/or ministries outside WH?

4. Why do you want to be a part of this short-term ministry?

5. List your abilities, gifts, or interests that would be beneficial on the short-term team.
6. How do you plan to finance or raise support for this trip?
7. Please describe any current medical conditions (including food allergies or diet considerations) or health conditions that could affect you during this trip.
8. Is this your first mission trip? Yes [] No []
- Have you read and do you agree with the West Highland Statement of Faith?
Yes [] No []
- Would you be willing to give a verbal/written report to the congregation following the trip? Yes [] No []
- Would you be willing to participate in the team training program?
Yes [] No []
- Prayer is an important part of a mission trip. Please provide the names of three of your prayer partners.

Instructions For Applicant

- Please enclose a photo of yourself (write your name and ministry date on the back)
- Please provide the name of a leadership team member or someone from the Pastoral staff who would recognize you as a part of the West Highland. The Missions committee may approach this individual to get a better understanding of your involvement at West Highland.

Name: _____ Role at West Highland: _____

- Please date and sign the application form. Completion of the application does not guarantee acceptance. The Missions Committee will make the final decision through review of the application, interviews and prayerful discernment.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____
(Parental signature is required if the applicant is under 18)

For Mission Committee Use:

Form Received: Applicant Interviewed: Applicant Approved:

Chairperson's Signature: _____ Date: _____

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STATEMENT OF FAITH

(Extracted from West Highland Fellowship Baptist Church's Incorporation Documents and Incorporation Document- pp 3-5)

I. BIBLE

We believe the Bible is the complete Word of God. The sixty-six books, as originally written, comprising of the Old and the New Testaments, were verbally inspired by the Spirit of God and are therefore entirely free from error.

The Bible is the final authority in all matters of faith and practice and the only true basis of Christian union. II Tim. 3:16-17; Heb. 1:1-2; II Peter 1:19-21; Romans 15:4; Ps 19:7-11.

II. TRINITY

We believe that the Bible clearly sets forth the Trinity, the tri-unity of the Godhead and that there is one God who reveals Himself in Three Persons, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, all co-eternal, co-existent and co-equal. Matt 3:16,17; 28:19; Jn 15:26; II Corinth 13:14; Gal 4:6; Jn 14:16-21; Deut 6:4; I Peter 1:2.

God the Father - We believe in the doctrine of God the Father, creator of all, the only true eternal and living God whose attributes include holiness, goodness, justice, love, self existence, self sufficiency, mercy, grace, faithfulness, immutability and truth. He is omnipotent, omniscient and omnipresent. Ex 34:7-17; 3 :14; I Kings 8:27; Acts 17:22-31; Eph 1:11; Isa 6:1-13; Rom 11:33-36; 9:28-39; Rev 4:1-11.

God the Son - We believe in the doctrine of God the Son, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, in His essential deity, in His eternal existence with the father in preincarnate glory, and His virgin birth, sinless life, death, burial and resurrection, ascension, mediatorial ministry and personal return. Jn 8:58; 10:30; 1:1-5; Rom 9:5; I Tim 3:16; Isa 7:14; 9:6-7; Matt 1:23; Phil 2:6; Col 2:9, 1:15-20; Heb 1:8; 4:15; Acts 1:9-11; I Jn 2:1; Rev: 1-8; 1 Thes 4:16; I John 2:1.

God the Holy Spirit - We believe in the doctrine of God the Holy Spirit, in His essential deity and personality, who convicts of sin, of righteousness and of judgement, who regenerates, sanctifies, illuminates and comforts those who believe in Jesus

Christ. Ps. 139:7-12; Mall 28:19; Jn3:3-6; John 14:16,17,26; 16:8-11; I Corinth 2:10; 12:13; II Corinth 3:18; Gal 5:22-23; Heb 9:14; 10:15-18; Gen 1:1-3; Rom 8:14,16,26,27; Eph 1:13,14; Acts 1-8.

III SATAN

We believe that Satan exists as an evil personality, the originator of sin, the arch-enemy of God and man. Isa 14:12-15; Ezek28:12-19; Luke 10:18; Jas4:7; IJn4:4; John 8:44; II Corinth 4:4; IPeter5:8; Rev: 20: 10.

IV. MAN

We believe that man was divinely created in the image of God and that he sinned, becoming guilty before God, resulting in total depravity, thereby incurring physical and spiritual death. Gen 1:1-3, 27; 2:7, 18-25; Rom 3:10,23; 5:12;6:23; Heb 9:27; John 1:3.

V. SALVATION

We believe that salvation is by the sovereign, electing grace of God, that by the appointment of the Father, Christ voluntarily suffered a vicarious, expiatory and propitiatory death, that justification is by personal faith alone in the all sufficient sacrifice and resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ and that those whom God has effectively called shall be divinely preserved and finally perfected in the image of the Lord, Rom 10:9-13; 8:28-39; I Corinth 15:49; Acts 4:12, 16:3 1; Eph 2:1-10; I Peter 1:2.

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VI. FUTURE THINGS

We believe in the personal, bodily and glorious resurrection of the just and the unjust, in the eternal blessedness of the redeemed and in the judgement and eternal conscious punishment of the wicked. Dan 7:13; Matt 26:64; 24:27-51; I Corinth 15:49; I Thess 4:13-18; Rev 4:16, 19:11-21; 20:12-15; John 14: 1-4.

VII. THE LOCAL CHURCH

We believe that a church is a company of baptized believers, called out from the world, separated unto the Lord Jesus and voluntarily associated for the ministry of the Word, the mutual edification of its members, the propagation of the faith and the observance of ordinances. We believe it is a sovereign, independent body exercising its own divinely awarded gifts, precepts and privileges under the Lordship of Christ, the great Head of the Church. We believe that its officers are Pastors and Deacons and such other Officers as the Church shall deem necessary to elect from time to time. John 17:6-26, 15:19; Rom 14:19; II Corinth 10:8, 13:12; I Thess 5:11; Matt 18:15-17, 28:18-20; Acts 2:41,42 15:13-18, 20:17-28; I Corinth 5:9-13, 11:2,3, 12:28; Eph 1:22,23, 2:19-22, 3:10, 4:11,12, 5:23,24; Col 1:18, 3:11; I Tim 3:1-13.

VIII. ORDINANCES

We believe that there are only two ordinance of the church, regularly observed in the New Testament:

1. Baptism, which is the immersion of the believer in water, whereby the believer obeys Christ's command and sets forth one's identification with Christ in His death, burial and resurrection. Matt 28:19; Acts 2:41, 8:36-38, 22:16; Rom 6:1-11; Gal 3:27; Col 2:12; Eph 4:3-6.

2. The Lord's Supper, which is the memorial wherein the believer partakes of the two elements, bread and wine, which symbolize the Lord's body and shed blood, proclaiming His death until He comes. Luke 22:19-20; I Corinth 11:23-34.

IX. THE LORD'S DAY

We believe that the first day of the week should be observed as the Lord's Day and that, in a special sense, it is the divinely appointed day for worship and spiritual exercise. Ps 95:1-7; Heb 10:25; Mall 12: 1-8.

X. RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

We believe in religious liberty; namely that every person has the civil right to practice and propagate his beliefs.

XI. THE CHURCH AND STATE

We believe in the separation of church and state. Dan 3:17,18; Acts 4:19,20; 5:29; 23:5; Matt 22:21.

XII. CIVIL GOVERNMENT

We believe that civil government is of divine appointment of the interest and good order of society and that magistrates are to be prayed for, conscientiously honoured and obeyed, except in the things opposed to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the only Lord of the conscience and over all kings of the earth. Rom 13:1-7; I Tim 2:1-4; I Peter 2: 13-17.