



**SPONSOR Application**

Applications will be accepted Sunday, January 25 - Sunday, February 22.

*Please complete all information on this application, including all necessary signatures. An incomplete application will not be accepted. Please print neatly. Also, please be advised that you may be contacted to schedule an interview as part of the application process. Completion of the application does not necessarily mean you will be selected to participate in this year's mission trip. Participants will be selected by March. At the time of selection, a non-refundable \$100.00 deposit will be due.*

Full **Legal** Name \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone Provider (Verizon, At&T Etc...) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Shirt Size: AS AM AL L XL XXL

Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Children's Names and Ages \_\_\_\_\_

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Which Bible fellowship do you attend? \_\_\_\_\_

List any other mission trips you have participated in: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please indicate all other church ministries that you are currently involved in or have been involved with during the last year: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Fill out this page if you did not go on tour in 2008  
If you did go on tour in 2008, proceed to the next page.**

Why do you feel God is calling you to be a part of this particular mission trip?

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Briefly describe who Jesus is to you: \_\_\_\_\_

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Have you been baptized since trusting Christ as your Savior? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, when? \_\_\_\_\_

Give an example of a time you shared your faith in Jesus with a non-believer.

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Have you completed an evangelism training course? If so, which one?

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What would be your response if someone asked you, "What does it mean to be a Christian?"

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Do you know what your spiritual gifts are? If so, please describe:

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Honestly describe your relationship with Jesus Christ. Give a brief description of your prayer life, Scripture reading, and any devotional materials you are currently reading.

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How well do you handle physical exertion (i.e., walking long distances at a rapid pace, late nights and early mornings, etc.)?

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How do you handle pressure or conflict when you are physically exhausted?

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Ministry to students can be challenging at times! In what ways are you personally equipped or gifted to minister to students?

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## 2009 Covenants and Commitments

**PLEASE read over each commitment and covenant and take seriously the commitments that you are signing your name to. Please be prepared to follow through with each commitment, knowing that each team member has also committed along with you to work together for His kingdom.**

### Spiritual Preparation

I am committed to preparing myself spiritually. I am aware that my assigned family group will be holding me accountable each week for important elements of my spiritual preparation, such as personal priority times, discipleship, etc.

Knowing that I will be sharing the gospel in spoken word and in outreach concerts, I understand that I will be held accountable for all discipleship and evangelism training materials presented during NOISE and other training times.

As a participant in this year's mission trip, I understand that I am held to a higher standard of accountability. I also understand that my behavior is a reflection of my spiritual walk. Knowing this, I will endeavor to live a life that is pleasing to the Lord. I also understand that the illegal use of alcohol, drugs, or tobacco will result in my dismissal from the trip.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Travel

I understand that I am required to ride buses, trains and subways during this trip. Travel deviations, late arrival and/or early departure will not be permitted at any time.

I understand that by my signature, I am agreeing to all requirements listed in this covenant. If I fail to meet or uphold any of the expectations listed, either before or during the trip, I understand that I may be forfeiting my opportunity to serve God on this mission endeavor. I further understand that if my behavior is such that necessitates I be sent home early, any *additional* travel expense (including the cost of an adult escort) will be the responsibility of my parents.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Attendance**

I understand that all iLLUMINATE participants are required to participate in the NOISE **Dinner Theater on March 26 and 27**. This will include a rehearsal on Wednesday, March 25 from 7:15-8:45 PM. I also understand that I am required to sell at least 8 Dinner Theater tickets to friends and family. Vaughn Forest Church has made a significant financial contribution to allow participants on this trip. The Dinner Theater helps offset the cost to the church.

Participants should have:

- ✓ No more than three absences to Sunday Student LIFE-Changing Bible Fellowship
- ✓ No more than three absences to weekly worship services
- ✓ No more than three absences to scheduled NOISE choir rehearsals

*Please note: All absences, regardless of the reason for the absence (i.e., illness, vacation, school-related events, family activity, ministry activity, etc.), will count towards the total absences allowed.*

Every effort will be made to keep accurate attendance records for each of these required components of preparation. I understand that it is my responsibility to check in at LCBF, choir rehearsal, and family group meetings in order to receive attendance credit. I also understand that there may be other rehearsals or different rehearsal times before the days of the trip. I understand I will be notified of these changes in a considerate amount of time and will make every effort to attend them.

I understand that I must adhere to the attendance policy without exception. Active participation helps me to prepare for this mission opportunity. Attendance policy begins February 1, 2009.

I further understand that Vaughn Forest is making a significant investment in my life, both spiritually and financially. Therefore, I will commit to participate in the Mission Choir Tour Homecoming Concert on Sunday, June 14 as well as rehearsal on Saturday, June 13, 5 – 7:30 PM.

I understand that if I have a conflict with any of the dates listed above or should an unusual circumstance arise, I will contact leadership as quickly as possible to see how I can make up the preparation time lost with my team.

**Regular Rehearsal will be each Sunday at 3 PM in the Upper Room unless otherwise specified.**

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- Sunday, March 29** ..... NOISE Rehearsal, 2 PM
- Sunday, April 12**No Rehearsal/Resurrection Day
- Sunday, May 10** .... No Rehearsal/Mother’s Day
- Sunday, May 17** ..... Parent’s Meeting, 2 PM
- Sunday, May 17** ..... Rehearsal 2:30 – 5:00 PM
- Friday, June 5**..... Depart VF, 3:30 PM
- Friday, June 12**.....Return to VF, 12 NOON
- Saturday, June 13** ... Rehearsal, 5:00 – 7:30 PM
- Sunday, June 14**.....Celebration Worship

*All other trip details will be given out at the parent’s meeting on May 17.*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Trip Cost

Vaughn Forest is aware that all families struggle financially at times. Therefore, we have put together the following payment schedule and information to help students prepare for this trip. The bottom line is that if it is God's will for you to be on this trip, then God will provide the resources for you to go.

Actual Cost to Vaughn Forest = \$650.00 per person

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No post-dated checks will be accepted.

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### **Payment Information and Schedule**

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Sunday, May 31	Remainder of all amounts owed due

### **Helpful Tips for Trip Costs:**

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- ✓ Ask God to lead you to a part time job such as baby sitting or cutting grass that will help alleviate costs.
- ✓ Sign up and plan to help with the Men's Wild Game Supper on Thursday Night, February 26, 5 – 9 PM. All money earned from tips and other donations on this night will be divided equally among those who serve. Sign up online at [www.illuminatetour.com](http://www.illuminatetour.com) or during NOISE on Sundays.
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## Keep this page for your records.

### What You can Expect from Us:

- ✓ Good Communication
- ✓ A new t-shirt
- ✓ Preparation and training
- ✓ Safety for all participants
- ✓ A quality, spiritual, and positive trip
- ✓ A place to lay your head
- ✓ Great Food – Most meals provided... details to come
- ✓ Fun
- ✓ Proper resources to accomplish the tasks and goals

### What We Expect from You:

- ✓ A great attitude and passion for Christ and the team.
- ✓ A willing spirit
- ✓ Faithfulness in attendance and to the commitments signed in this agreement
- ✓ Payments paid before deadlines
- ✓ Proper communication with the ministerial leadership if a problem, circumstance or opportunity arises that will cause a commitment to this policy to be broken
- ✓ Biblical handling of conflict
- ✓ Registration and release forms turned in before deadlines

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