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Dear Prospective Nicaragua 2009 Team Member,

We are so excited that you are interested in the opportunity to visit Nicaragua as part of the CATALYST team. It is thrilling to be able to assist Chosen Children in central Nicaragua. Our prayer is that through this experience you will grow in your understanding of the missional heart of God and what He is doing around the world as well as how we can each be part of His plan.

If you haven't already read the brochure about the trip you should get a copy. It will provide details and answer many of the questions that you may have concerning the trip. It can be found online at www.catalystmissions.org/pdf/Catalyst_NIC_09_Brochure_Web.pdf.

Following are some of the initial forms that will need to be completed as you begin the application process. (We have compiled these forms into one pdf, however if you prefer to download them separately they can be found at www.catalystmissions.org/downloads.php.) Once these forms are received and reviewed you will be contacted concerning your status on the team. These initial forms are:

- CATALYST Application for Team Member (to be completed and returned to your CATALYST contact or mailed to the CATALYST office in Martin, TN)
- CATALYST Confidential Reference Form (you will need to print two copies of this two page form)
 - One copy needs to be completed by your pastor, youth leader, or mentor and mailed directly to CATALYST
 - Another should be completed by a close friend and mailed directly to CATALYST
- CATALYST General Mission Trip Project Release (to be completed in the presence of a Notary and mailed back to the CATALYST office in Martin, TN once your applications is received and approved)
- Chosen Children Application (to be completed and returned to your CATALYST contact or mailed to the CATALYST office in Martin, TN)

CATALYST is a channel through which you can serve others. You will have opportunities lay down yourself to assist others in ways that may even be uncomfortable. If you are willing, God will change you in ways that will reshape the rest of your life. This is what we are praying will happen for you. However, you need to be confident that He is calling you to be part of this trip. After that, we will be available every step of the way to assist in the details.

If you have any questions during the course of this process do not hesitate to contact me or the CATALYST representative that you are communicating with.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Andrew Brown'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Andrew Brown



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Team Member Basic Application

PERSONAL

1. Full Legal Name _____ Male Female Birth Date _____ Birthplace _____

Name you go by _____ Spouse Name _____

Will your spouse be going on this trip with you? Yes No

Any other relatives going on this short term missions trip? _____ If so who? _____

2. Present Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone () _____

3. Permanent Address - (if different from #2 above) _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone () _____

4. Your e-mail address _____

5. Social Security Number _____ - _____ - _____ Citizenship _____

6. Passport (Full Name as listed) and Number _____

7. Marital status Single Engaged Married Widowed
 Divorced Divorced & Remarried (b) Date of Marriage _____

8. Number of Children _____ Ages of Children _____

9. Parents Name: _____

Address _____

Phone () _____

10. Person to notify in case of emergency (Other than spouse) _____

Phone () _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

EDUCATION and JOB EXPERIENCE

11. (a) Educational background: High School Trade School College Graduate Post-Graduate

Please list your trade, your major, or other training _____

Your profession: _____

(b) Skills _____ Professional Training/Licenses _____

(c) Presently a student? List grade, school, city, and phone _____

Phone: () _____

12. (a) Present Employer: Name _____ Phone (____) _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

(b) May we contact your employer as a reference if needed? Yes No

Most recent EMPLOYER	TYPE OF WORK	FROM - MO/YR	TO MO/YR
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13. List any languages you speak and your fluency: (1=Minimal 2=Moderate 3=Fluent)

CHRISTIAN EXPERIENCE

14. Do you know for sure that you are going to heaven? _____ If yes, on what do you base this?

15. To what church do you belong? _____

For how long? _____ Denomination _____

What type of service have you done in your local church?

16. Describe any experience in Christian work _____

17. Bible education: ____ Formal ____ Informal ____ None Where? _____

18. Do you have any overseas experience? If so, describe _____

19. Other information that would help us become better acquainted with you, such as hobbies and special interests:

YOUR SIGNATURE BELOW INDICATES THE FOLLOWING:

- All the information I have provided is true to the best of my knowledge.
- I have read Catalyst Statement of [Faith and Practice \(www.catalystmissions.org/who_we_are.php\)](http://www.catalystmissions.org/who_we_are.php) and agree to respect it in all regards. I will not propagate convictions contrary to those in the statement during my time with Catalyst.
- I am willing to faithfully carry out my assignment and to cooperate in every way possible. I will accept and respect the decisions and authority of the team leaders and abide by the rules of the mission overseas. If I have a cause for complaint or a difference of opinion, I will bring it at once to the team leaders instead of others who may not be able to help me.
- I will not hold CATALYST liable for injury, disease, or delay of return while under the auspices of CATALYST.

Signature _____ Date _____

Confidential Reference Questionnaire



_____ has applied to participate on a missions trip with CATALYST. Since most of these applicants are complete strangers to us, would you prayerfully answer these questions? Any information given by you will be kept in strictest confidence.

1. CHRISTIAN TESTIMONY	Worldly	Very Inconsistent	Generally Good	Positive Influence	Exemplary
2. CONCERN FOR OTHERS	Indifferent	Self - centered	Somewhat socially concerned	Generally concerned	Deeply and actively concerned
3. INTEGRITY	Not dependable	Questionable at times	Generally honest	Reliable dependable	Consistently trustworthy
4. RESPECT FOR AUTHORITY	Unmanageable	Occasionally rebellious	Conforms under pressure	Reacts agreeably	Natural normal
5. LEADERSHIP ABILITY	Follower only	Severely lacking	Occasional	Good organizer	Born leader
6. JUDGMENT	Foolish decisions	Needs much counseling	Usually cautious	Exercises common sense	Carefully evaluates
7. WORK HABITS	Seldom works even under pressure	Needs constant pressure	Needs occasional prodding	Prepares assigned regularly	Seeks additional work
8. INITIATIVE	Merely conforms	Seldom initiates	Frequently initiates	Consistently self-reliant	Actively creative
9. STABILITY	Easily depressed, irritated or elated	Unresponsive	Usually well balanced	Well-balanced	Exceptionally stable
10. DISPOSITION	Completely negative	Moody	Usually optimistic	Cheerful	Exuberant
11. PERSONALITY IN GENERAL	Very Shy	Reserved	Pleasing	Outgoing	Very Outgoing
12. PHYSICAL VITALITY	Severely handicapped	Weakness apparent	Average strength and endurance	Robust	Exceptional strength
13. PERSONAL APPEARANCE	Very careless	Untidy at times	Generally neat	Always neat and clean	Immaculate
14. CONDUCT WITH OPPOSITE SEX	Definitely unprincipled	Questionable	Generally good	Above reproach	Exemplary
15. HOME ENVIRONMENT	Non-Christian	Much lacking	Nominally Christian	Spiritually oriented	Excellent
16. FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY	Dishonest	Very careless	Usually careful	Rarely late	Always prompt
17. MATURITY FOR AGE	Very immature	Immature	Average	Mature	Very Mature

COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

How long _____ and under what circumstances have you known the applicant?

- Home School Church Social Business Pastor Other.

Do you believe applicant to be a genuine believer? _____ How long? _____ On what basis?

Does the applicant show genuine love for souls? _____ How is this manifested? _____

What is your estimate of the applicant's success in past schooling? High school, etc. Little success

- May encounter some difficulty Average Above average Superior.

How does applicant spend leisure time? _____

Has the applicant to your knowledge been involved in drugs _____ or homosexuality? _____

What do you consider applicant's strong points? _____

What do you consider applicants weak points? _____

Would any of these hinder him or her in Christian service? _____

If the applicant is married how would you evaluate his/her marriage relationship?

- Don't know Superficial Detached Reserved Warm, growing Good communication

Comments: _____

Does applicant have special ability in: Music? Art? Speech? Athletics?

Does applicant have special ability in physical work? Carpentry? Masonry?

Secretarial? Other? _____

Specific recommendation: Recommended Not recommended for this program.

- Prefer not to make recommendation. Additional comments:

Date: _____ Signature: _____ Phone(_____) _____

Address: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____

Please return this form to: CATALYST
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Marked: **CONFIDENTIAL**

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By signing below, and in presence of a notary public, I state that I have received either printed or verbal information from Catalyst Missions or its designees:

Please initial all that apply:

___ General mission trip training, health warnings, notification that travel insurance and medical evacuation insurance is in place, work site descriptions, and general expectations of field lodging and sites.

___ Printed materials referencing potential health concerns from the CDC and Department of State (for international trips).

___ Catalyst Mission Mobilization Inc's policy of cancelling or cutting short international trips should any "no travel warning" from the US Department of State be issued. Or for US based trips, the right of Catalyst Mission Inc to cancel any trip in the event for similar risk concern.

___ General information about the Christian task and general Christian expectation of said mission project.

PARTICIPANT

Mission Trip Location _____

Dates of Trip _____

Trip Participant Signature _____

Date Signed _____

NOTARY

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, _____ year

Notary Public

My commission expires: _____