



For God's Children INTERNATIONAL

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- ROMANIA (EUROPE)
- MOLDOVA (EUROPE)
- CAMP OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD (LOUISVILLE, NE)

INTERN APPLICATION FORM

[Attach a recent photo of yourself here.]

CHECK THE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM YOU ARE INTERESTED IN:

- FULL INTERNATIONAL TRIP (EUROPE)
- DUAL TRIP (EUROPE AND CAMP OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD)

Mission and Purpose of FGCI Missions Trips:

Mission: For God's Children International (FGCI) is a Christian organization serving institutionalized, marginalized, abandoned and/or at-risk children, teenagers and adults. Those we serve are often suffering from past and present trauma like abandonment, abuse, rejection, mental and/or physical illness, addiction, etc. For God's Children International's mission is to replace despair with hope, humiliation with dignity, and indifference with the love of Jesus Christ as outlined in our *Statement of Faith and Ministry Goals* brochure found on our website.

Purpose: FGCI Missions Trip teams exist to assist For God's Children International in meeting its mission goals. The primary objective of FGCI teams is to clearly present the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to accurately teach the Word of God to the children and adults FGCI serves. EVERY TEAM MEMBER will be expected to teach (or assist in teaching) children, teens and adults by using an open Bible and by demonstrating the love of Jesus Christ. We cannot overemphasize the need for every team member to prepare himself/herself to use—not just refer to—the Bible when teaching. We also expect every team member to be prepared for unscheduled opportunities for ministry and teaching.

Date: _____

Applicant's Full Name (as it appears on your passport): _____

Name you prefer to be called by: _____

Birth date: ____ / ____ / ____ Passport #: _____ Expires: ____ / ____ / ____

(Note: Applications may be submitted without possessing a passport. If you don't have a passport, apply for one immediately.)

Gender: Male / Female

Marital Status: Single Married

Permanent Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

Cell Phone: (_____) _____ - _____ Home Phone: (_____) _____ - _____

E-mail address [Print clearly.]: _____

E-mail address [Print again.]: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Tel: (_____) _____ - _____

Temporary/School Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

Phone #: (_____) _____ - _____] [Use this address until date: _____ / _____ / _____

Briefly explain why you wish to be a member of an FGCI Missions Team.

Give a brief statement of your personal faith in Christ.

What church do you currently attend?

Church: _____

Church Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Do you attend church every week? Yes No If "no", why not?

How are you serving Christ in your church or in other ministries? [Name ministries in which you are involved.]

Have you ever served on a missions trip before? If so, where and in what capacity?

Please indicate any health problems, or potential problems that we should be aware of:

- diabetes
- heart
- blood pressure
- phobias
- depression
- allergies: _____
- hearing loss
- asthma
- difficulty walking [You may walk as much as three miles in one day.]
- prescription medications: _____
- back pain/difficulty lifting [You should be able to lift at least 50 lbs. of dead weight.]
- dietetic limitations or food allergies: _____
- Other:

Family Physician: _____ Phone: (_____) _____ - _____

Insurance Carrier: _____ Insurance Policy #: _____

Ready to Teach Children

- Yes / No I understand that my primary objective as a team member on this trip is to teach and to demonstrate God's love to children and/or institutionalized adults.

What experience have you had in working with children? What experience have you had in teaching Scripture?

Bible Study/Memorization

- Yes / No Prior to my trip, I will commit myself to studying and memorizing Scripture passages from the lessons that my team will be teaching on my FGI missions trip.

Money

Yes / No

I understand that it is my responsibility to raise all funds for my internship. The costs for the summer internship programs are: **\$2,650* plus airfare for Full International** internship - 2 months (**approximate total of \$4,300**); **\$1,850* plus airfare (approximate total of \$3,500) for Dual USA Camp & International (1 month USA/1 month Romania)** internship. [The cost of each of these programs covers airfare plus all internship expenses except for personal items, such as toiletries and souvenirs. Cost also does *not* include optional health/life/liability insurance (check your current policy).] **\$1,000* plus airfare for USA Camp w/2-Week Romania Trip** internship (**approximate total of \$2,650**). (The cost of all trips covers airfare and all expenses except for personal items, such as toiletries and souvenirs.) *A \$300 non-refundable deposit is due to FGCI immediately upon acceptance as an intern to secure your place, and that the balance of your airfare (airfare minus \$300 deposit) is due by April 1. The remainder of your cost is due one month before your departure date. If the full amount for your trip is not received by the time of your trip, we will be required to cancel your trip.*

[*NOTE: This fee pays for all expenses stateside (postage, orientation books and materials, etc.) and while overseas (travel, housing, meals, interpreters and ministry supplies).]

Yes / No I understand that I may not use FGCI's name to raise support until I am officially accepted as a team member.

Statement of Personal Integrity

- I have never molested or abused a child or adult.
- I have never been arrested for or accused of committing an offense related to sexual misconduct or sexual and/or physical abuse of a child or adult. [If you have been accused of or arrested for any of these offenses, please explain on a separate sheet of paper.]
- I understand that if I'm accepted as an FGCI/CGS volunteer or short-term worker, in accordance with FGCI's insurance requirements, FGCI will perform a criminal background check on me. This may require your social security number.

Passport/Insurance

- Yes / No I understand that it is my responsibility to acquire my own passport and optional insurance (life, health and liability insurance while traveling abroad, if desired), and that I am responsible for any personal loss or emergency medical care costs incurred while overseas. [FGCI will provide health insurance for the trip, but it may not cover all costs incurred. Please check to see if your medical insurance will cover your health care as you travel abroad.]
- Yes / No I understand that my passport must be valid for at least six months from my departure date and that I need at least three blank pages left in my passport. I understand that I must apply and pay for my own passport.

Orientation Meetings

- Yes / No I understand that, if accepted for membership on an FGCI Summer Missions Team, I may be required to attend group orientation and planning meetings which will involve several hours of time, and may require travel to Omaha or another city.

Missions Trip Lengths and Dates

Most FGCI International Summer Missions trips to Romania and Moldova will have a duration of 13 - 15 days with a tentative schedule being set several months before the summer trips begin. Upon acceptance of your application, please contact Joel Burkum (contact information below) for exact dates and locations for summer trips. Individual applicants will be placed on teams that haven't already been filled.

Letters of Recommendation

Two (2) letters of recommendation are required for individuals desiring to travel on FGCI-sponsored missions trips. One of the two letters must come from a **church leader who has witnessed your service or ministry involvement** (preferably in teaching). The other letter of recommendation should also come from a church or spiritual leader.

Letters of recommendation should be sent directly to: FGCI, P.O. Box 434, Council Bluffs, IA 51502-0434. Letters of recommendation should include information about the church leader's/minister's relationship with the applicant and observations made in regard to the applicant's spiritual, mental and physical state that would benefit or hinder the success of the missions team as well as information regarding teaching and other ministry giftedness and experience of the applicant. Information shall remain confidential. Listed below are the names of the people who will be sending my recommendations:

Name: _____ Position: _____

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Statement of Faith and Ministry Goals

Yes / No I have read the *FGCI Ministry Goals and Statement of Faith* (see website or attached) and understand that by applying for a position on an FGCI Summer Missions Team I am pledging to uphold FGCI's statement of faith and that I will work to achieve FGCI's ministry goals.

Applicant Agreement

I acknowledge that participation in the above trip involves both known and unknown risks to the Applicant (and to the Applicant's Parent/Guardian, if the Applicant is a minor), and may result in various types of injury including, but not limited to, the following: sickness, bodily injury, death, emotional injury, personal injury, property damage and financial damage. In consideration for the opportunity to participate on a FGCI missions trip, the Applicant (or Parent/Guardian) acknowledges and accepts the risks of injury associated with participation on the trip. The Applicant (or Parent/Guardian) accepts personal financial responsibility for any injury or other loss sustained during the trip or during transportation to and from the trip, as well as for any medical treatment rendered to the Applicant that is authorized by FGCI or its agents, employees, volunteers, or any other representatives. Further, the Applicant (or Parent/Guardian) releases and promises to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless FGCI and its agents, employees, volunteers, or any other representatives for any injury related directly or indirectly out of the trip, whether such injury arises out of the negligence of FGCI or otherwise.

Photo Use Agreement

The Applicant (or Applicant's Parent/Guardian) gives FGCI permission to use and store Applicant's name and image, by means of digital or film photography, video photography, audio recording or other documentation, use any stored data including Applicant's name and image in printed and electronic publications of FGCI, and use any stored data including Applicant's name and image in any Web site created by or for FGCI for its sole benefit.

By signing below, I acknowledge and warrant that the information that I have provided on this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I further agree to immediately notify FGCI of any change in the information presented. If I am signing this agreement on behalf of a minor child, I hereby warrant that I am the legal parent or guardian of the child and that I have the legal authority to sign this agreement on behalf of the child.

Yes / No I agree not to share, post or distribute any pictures or videos of FGCI sponsored activities, kids, adults, volunteers or workers (both FGCI and government) without prior written permission from FGCI-USA.

Signed, _____ **Date** _____ / _____ / _____

Parent's/Guardian's Signature (REQUIRED for Minors): _____ **Date:** _____ / _____ / _____

Parent/Guardian's Name(s): _____

Home/Cell Phone: (_____) _____ - _____ Work Phone: (_____) _____ - _____

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Thank you for taking the time to complete this application.
Send this completed form to: *For God's Children International*, P.O. Box 434, Council Bluffs, IA 51502-0434.
If you have any questions, you may contact Joel Burkum by phone at (712) 328-3776 or by e-mail at jburkum@fgci.org.