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Dear **[Put the name of your potential supporter here]**,

I have recently made the exciting decision to go on a group mission trip through Cross Culture Youth Ministry, led by Pastor Jeremy Lantz. The group is going through Teen Mania Ministries' Global Expeditions. For over 17 years, they have taken over forty thousand teenagers to countries all over the world. This year, we plan to go to **[put country name here]**. I am excited about this great opportunity!

Global Expeditions is a ministry totally dedicated to reaching my generation and equipping us to reach the world with the Gospel. I cannot think of a better way to spend my time than sharing the Gospel with others while seeing my life changed as well.

My team will be based out of the city of **[put the name of your base city here]**, **[Put country name here]**, which is located in **[put country continent here]**. I will be leaving on **[put the date you will be leaving here]** and returning home on **[put the date you will be returning here]**. The entire trip, I will minister through **[ministry tool here]**. The total cost of this trip is **[put the trip cost here]**, which includes all expenses: international airfare, accommodations, food, and training.

I cannot accomplish this task alone, so I am asking you to be part of this mission trip with me, both in prayer and finances, if possible. Until my trip, I will be working very hard to raise the finances to go. My first deadline is **[put the date the following amount is due here]** when **[put the amount of your first fundraising deposit here]** is due.

Whatever support you can give will be greatly appreciated. If you would like to support the mission trip in prayer **and** finances, please send a check along with the donation form (found on the enclosed brochure) to New Covenant Christian Church. In order for you to receive a tax deduction for your donation, you must make the check payable to **New Covenant Christian Church** and my name must not be on the check. The included form has my ID number on it and that is how they will know to put it in the appropriate account.

Your support, especially in prayer, is a key part of seeing lives changed during my mission trip this **[put the either New Year's or Summer]**. Please pray with me for the nationals of **[put country name here]** that I will meet, my team and leaders, and my own heart and mind to be ready to share the Gospel on my trip. Our prayers are effective, as James 5:16 says, "The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and wonderful results" (NLT).

I will contact you within two weeks to see if you are intending to support me and what support you can commit, either in prayer or finances. If you have any questions, please call me at **[put your phone number here]**. You can also reach Pastor Jeremy at (517) 323-8180 x101 or Global Expeditions at 866.5.GLOBEX.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Your prayer and support are greatly appreciated!

God Bless You,

[Your name]

[Date]

Dear [Name of potential supporter],

As a sophomore at Hillsdale College, I have had many great opportunities to represent Christ. This summer I will be taking advantage of one of those opportunities by going on a mission trip to the African country of Uganda!

Uganda's history has been one full of wars and tribal conflicts. Consequently, there are now approximately 1.5 million orphans in the country. In 1986, in response to this problem, *New Hope Uganda*, a Christian missionary organization, founded the *Kasana Children's Centre* with a vision to "bring the fatherhood of God to the fatherless." At this center, family remnants are joined into family units, and each child receives a Christ-centered education in addition to vocational training. As the children mature, they are prepared both spiritually and physically to face the world.

Kasana Children's Centre is located in central Uganda, two hours north of the capital city of Kampala. I will work there from May 23rd until June 9th with nine other students from Hillsdale College. We will have opportunities to build new homes for Ugandan family units, teach Sunday school, tutor, lead assemblies, and bring the gospel to the Ugandan people. We will spend most of our time ministering to Ugandan children!

Clearly, a trip like this requires a lot of prayer and financial support. The total cost for the trip will be \$2500. I am convinced that God has directed me to go on this trip, and He will provide the necessary funds through work opportunities and donations. Would you please prayerfully consider supporting me financially for this mission trip? Your support will help minister to the children of Uganda. Please make your tax-deductible gift payable to **College Baptist Church** and mail it to me at the address below by **April 30th**. Also, I will be home for spring break from **March 22nd - 27th**, and I would love to work for you! If you are interested in hiring me, you may call me directly at **(517) 437-7959** or call my parents at **394-7987**.

Regardless of whether or not you can support me financially, I would appreciate your prayer support. We will be facing many difficulties as we seek to spread the Christian message in Uganda. I believe that despite the current political tensions, financial struggles, and other trials, God will make a way for us to proclaim His message there. I greatly appreciate you and thank you in advance for any support you are able to give me!

May God bless you with great joy as you seek to do His will!

Serving Christ,

Jeremy D. Lantz
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Dear [Name of potential supporter],

[Date]

Greetings! God is doing *amazing* things around here, and I am excited to see them continue. Over the past eight months I have *thoroughly* enjoyed working as the Youth Pastor at NCCC, and I am **extremely grateful** for that privilege. Now I am writing to share with you about an opportunity we have to take the gospel to a rural area of **MEXICO!**

Though not long off, I am planning to go on a mission trip led by Kirk Bailey to the **Yucatan peninsula** from **April 21 to 30**. We will be going to an area not often reached, and it will be a more intense trip than those commonly taken by various short-term missionaries. My primary role will be as a **Vacation Bible School site leader**. Each site will have three to six workers to serve anywhere from 20 to 80 primarily women and children each day. In addition, we will do some construction, open-air evangelism, and traveling ministry.

More than anything, **we need your prayers!** Would you consider committing to ***pray for us daily*** during our trip? We know that **only God can** change the hearts of the people we will reach. Personally, I desire to be challenged in my service and leadership skills, while becoming more versatile and preparing to lead others on similar trips. Meanwhile, I will be frustrated by my lack of Spanish as well as physical limitations due to a recent knee injury. **Please reply if you are willing to pray** regularly on our behalf so that I can forward more specific prayer concerns to you.

Besides prayer, yes, I am in need of some **financial support**. The cost of the trip will be approximately **\$800**, an amount that I believe God will provide. If you are able to support me financially, please make your tax-deductible gift **payable to Jeremy Lantz** and mail it to the address below **by April 17**.

I am *very* excited about this trip and hope that you can be too! I expect that God will amaze us as **we go to serve** the people in the Yucatan. If you can commit to pray for us but cannot give financial support, please *do not hesitate* to reply, as prayer is much more powerful than money! I am looking forward to bringing back a good report to those of you who can partner with me in this endeavor.

May God bless you as you seek and serve Him diligently!

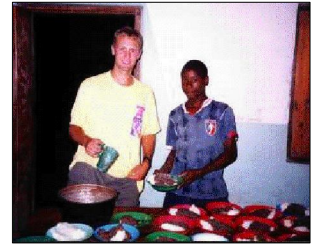
In Christ,

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Dear [Name of potential supporter],

[Date]

This past month I received another letter from Nsubuga Godfrey (*pictured with me at right*), a Ugandan orphan whom I befriended two years ago on a short term mission trip to New Hope Uganda (NHU). It is exciting for me to remain in contact with some of the children there and to think that I have been able to make an impact in their lives, even in a small way. Now, two years later, I have the opportunity return and serve there again!



In Uganda a people plagued with wars, tribal conflicts, and rampant AIDS now have approximately 1.5 million orphans within a population of only 21 million. In response to this problem, NHU, a Christian missionary organization, was founded in 1986 with a vision to “bring the fatherhood of God to the fatherless.” Through NHU, family remnants are joined into family units, and each child receives a Christ-centered education in addition to vocational training. As they mature, the children are raised as a part of Christ’s kingdom and prepared both spiritually and physically to face the world. Approximately 160 children now live at NHU and 350 attend school there. Hundreds more, however, are waiting to get in, and help is greatly needed.

This May I graduated from Hillsdale College, and in July I plan to leave for NHU, where I will serve for five months, returning in November. I will bring a small team of Hillsdale students with me who will be there for the first month. Our desire is spend much time ministering directly to the children. As we do, we will have opportunities to do things such as teach in the school, tutor students, build new homes, serve in the health clinic, and lead family devotions. When the team leaves I will be able to stay and continue this work. I look forward to building relationships with individual children and sharing the love of Christ with them!

Clearly, this trip will require much prayer and financial support. The total cost of my five-month trip will be approximately \$4000. I am convinced that God has directed me to go, and I believe He will provide the necessary funds through work opportunities and donations. Would you please prayerfully consider supporting me financially for this mission trip? If you can, please make your tax-deductible gift payable to **Jeremy Lantz** and mail it to me at the address below by **June 16th**. Regardless of whether or not you can support me financially, I would appreciate your prayer support. We will face difficulties as we seek to spread the gospel in Uganda, and I firmly believe that prayer is powerful and effective in furthering this work. In addition, if you would like to be included on my periodic e-mail update list while I am in Uganda, you can e-mail me at the address below.

I am *very* excited to return to Uganda! I expect that God will do great things in and through me during my time there. As he blesses me, I pray that God would bless you with great joy as you seek to do His will!



Serving Christ,

Jeremy D. Lantz

[Date]

[Your name]

[Your address]

[Your city, state, and zip code]

[Your phone number]

Dear friends and family,

We would like you to be aware of the tremendous opportunity that God has given us! We believe that God is sending us to the mission field this summer, and we have chosen to respond.

Heather and I, along with other youth from our church, will be ministering in Ensenada, Mexico on the Baja California peninsula from August 12-19. Joining Southside Christian Church of Milwaukee, we will be working together as a team to bring the hope of the gospel and the love of God to the youth of Ensenada. At one of the local churches, Ensenada Iglesia De Dios, we will be hosting a vacation Bible school for the children of the area. At the same time, we will be building an addition on the church, constructing three rooms on the second floor. Some of our youth will be putting their God-given talents to work as they travel throughout the region ministering in music, drama, and dance. We will be presenting everything in Spanish.

Heather and I have a vision to bring the news of Christ to the youth and minister to those in need, and we are looking forward to this chance to put our faith into action. During our trip, we expect to draw closer to God and together as a team, but most of all, we expect to experience the joy of seeing others come to know Christ and the fulfillment that comes with walking in obedience to God.

The total cost for both of us is \$1070. This includes airfare, camping, meals, and ministry expenses. \$720 is due by June 15th. Would you please prayerfully consider helping us reach our goal? If you can help us, please make your check payable to "Southside Christian Church" and mail it to us at the address listed above.

More importantly, we would greatly appreciate your support in prayer for the whole team during our preparations and the trip. Pray that we would have God's wisdom and grace in our preparations and God's heart for the children as we minister.

May God bless you and may you experience the joy of His presence with each and every day.

Serving Christ Together,

Carol J. Lantz

Heather R. Lantz