

Should I Write Support Letters?

To write, or not to write?

This is not a vacation. We are definitely not looking to go on a fun trip at someone else's expense. That's why it's important that when raising money the first things we do is work and save. Much of the sacrifice in serving God on a foreign mission trip is made in the form of fundraising, team building, and preparation way before you board the plane (or train, or bus, or donkey, or whatever).



Nevertheless, we all have a part to play in the mission. Some go to remote places, some pray for those who go, and some help people go. Writing a support letter is not an opportunity for you to beg for money (you'd get on your hands and knees I bet) but an opportunity for someone else to be a part of God's work in a place they can't personally go to.

As you write your letters, your attitude will come out in your letter. Are you looking for a fun trip, or are you convinced God has called you to go? In your letter you should:

- **Share the vision and details of the trip**
- **Tell why you are going**
- **Offer your work services**
- **Ask for prayer support**
- **Ask for financial support**

After the trip is over, don't forget to report back to and thank your prayer team and financial supporters!

Use the links at the left for more tips on writing a support letter and to find sample support letters.