



BRAZIL 2013

MISSION TRIP INFORMATION

"FOR FROM YOU **SOUNDED OUT** THE WORD OF THE LORD..."

TRIP OVERVIEW

The Lord has graciously opened this door for the teens of Catawba Springs Christian Church to serve on the mission field in Brazil (near São Paulo) with veteran missionary Shawn Alexander during the summer of 2013 (dates coming soon).

Shawn Alexander and his family faithfully serve with Baptist Mid-Missions as church planters. They are currently planting their 5th church in the country of Brazil. Through frequent communication with Shawn, it is evident that he has an unquenchable passion for the **Lord**, unwavering commitment to the **local church**, and unceasing burden for the **lost!**

The Alexander's have greatly benefited from various types of mission teams in the past and are very experienced at hosting and utilizing short-term mission teams (youth & adult) from the United States. They are looking forward to having one of their supporting churches send a team to serve alongside them in the near future.

PURPOSE

Why spend thousands of dollars and valuable time training, equipping, and sending a youth mission team to Brazil? There are **three biblical reasons** why this is so important:

- 1. To Develop their Heart for the Lord** – Mission trips help team members grow in their walk with God. Magnifying the name of Christ worldwide! **Matthew 22:36-38**
- 2. To Develop their Heart for the Local Church** – The church is the pillar and ground of truth and mission trips provide excellent serving opportunities. **Hebrews 10:24-25**
- 3. To Develop their Heart for the Lost** – There are unsaved people around the corner and around the world that need to hear the good news. **Mark 16:15; Acts 1:8**

OVER PLEASE,

PARTICIPANT EXPECTATIONS & QUALIFICATIONS

Mission trips are designed for Christian teenagers who are *already* actively serving God in their local church. The following outline should be evident in each teenager who desires to participate in the 2013 Brazil mission trip. This will be used for consideration purposes.

- Have a clear and solid **salvation testimony** with scriptural support.
- Be an **active member or regular attendee** in good standing at Catawba Springs.
- Must be faithfully **involved in a serving ministry** at Catawba Springs (i.e. children's church, adult or teen choir, usher, Patch Club, music, etc).
- Must consistently portray a **submissive attitude** towards authority.
- Maintain and display a **Christian testimony** privately (i.e. at home), publicly (i.e. school, work), and digitally (i.e. Facebook, Twitter).
- Attend **mission trip meetings** (TBA) & Complete trip **assignments** as they are given.
- Due to travel logistics and expectations from the missionary, team members must be in the **9th-12th grade** during the 2012-2013 school year.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

An international mission trip requires a significant amount of money in order to fund the expenses of airline tickets, passports and visas, lodging, food, and other travelling costs.

Currently, the exact per person cost is still being determined, but be prepared to raise support in the amount of **\$1,500-\$2,000 per person**. *Please, consider this large financial commitment as an investment into great commission living. An impact on eternity!*

NOW WHAT?

1. Spend specific time in **PRAYER** asking God to give you direction about this opportunity.
2. Talk to your **PARENTS** about serving in this outreach ministry.
3. **[APPLY ONLINE](#)**. Please complete and submit the mission trip application electronically by **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21st 2012**.