

**A Helping Hand** is a Christian organization whose purpose is, through love and service, to prepare the way of the Lord in the lives of children to whom we will minister. Our criteria for team membership is that team members confess Jesus Christ as their Lord or agree to cooperate with our Christian mission and purpose. If any potential applicant is uncomfortable with this application criteria, please allow us to suggest another excellent caregiving organization that does not have this criteria.

I AM INTERESTED IN BEING A PART OF THE

FRIENDSHIP MINISTRY TEAM FOR A HELPING HAND ADOPTION AGENCY

### Friendship Team Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt size: S M L XL XXL

Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_ Place of birth \_\_\_\_\_

Marital Status: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's name \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security # \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a member / regular attendee of a church? \_\_\_\_\_

Name of church \_\_\_\_\_

Church phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Church contact \_\_\_\_\_

Church address \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to the applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have an updated passport? \_\_\_\_\_

If you are applying for an overseas trip and do not have a passport, apply immediately. The process can take several weeks and visa applications for your specific country will take additional time after you receive your passport. Passport applications are available at most post offices. "Passport" pictures are needed for your passport and for any visas.

Your name EXACTLY as it appears on your passport \_\_\_\_\_

Passport # \_\_\_\_\_ Issue date \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration date \_\_\_\_\_ Birthplace \_\_\_\_\_

Agency issuing passport \_\_\_\_\_

Have you traveled outside the United States in the past? Where? What was your experience?

What languages do you speak other than English? How fluent are you?

Please list skills or experience that you think could be valuable to a Friendship Team.

What do you hope you will learn or in what ways do you think you will grow from the experience of participating on a Friendship Team?

What other mission or service projects have you been involved with?

Please write your personal testimony.

Please attach a letter of reference from your pastor/priest.

We pray that this Friendship Team experience will bless you and change you as you seek God's direction and experience a new culture. We are also praying for you and looking forward to a rich spiritual experience for everyone.

**A five hundred dollar (\$500.00) application fee is needed with your application. One-half of the remaining fee will be due and payable 10 weeks before departure. The remaining one-half will be due and payable 5 weeks before departure.**

In the event that you must cancel your trip, one-half (\$250.00) will be refunded to you providing you cancel at least 10 weeks before departure date.

A Helping Hand Adoption Agency reserves the right to cancel a group or merge it with another group if we do not have a sufficient number of participants to make the trip feasible. If AHH cancels the trip and you are unable to be a part of another Friendship Team, you will receive a full refund.

If airline fares rise above what is currently calculated, there may be a need to raise the cost of the trip to cover these costs. We do not anticipate this happening and would notify you as soon as possible if it does. The cost is an estimate depending on airfare.

If A Helping Hand Adoption Agency deems it necessary to cancel a trip and you are not able to be a part of another trip, your fees will be refunded

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

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Please return your completed application along with the following:

- \$500 deposit
- Medical Form
- Signed Policies and Procedures Form

Mail to:  
 A Helping Hand  
 1510 Newtown Pike, Suite 146  
 Lexington, Kentucky 40511  
 Attn: Stephanie Williams

