

# MI CASA FOUNDATION MISSIONER APPLICATION FORM

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Please print application and print your responses. Space is available on last page for explanations

1. NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
First Middle Last

2. MALE \_\_\_ FEMALE \_\_\_ 3. DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ 4. PLACE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_

5. CITIZENSHIP \_\_\_\_\_ 6. If not USA, do you have a USA visa? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

7. ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ 8. ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
(Present) Street (Permanent) Street

\_\_\_\_\_ City / State / Zip \_\_\_\_\_ City / State / Zip

\_\_\_\_\_ Dates at this address \_\_\_\_\_ Dates at this address

PHONE (H) \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE (Work) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Other) \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

### LIST ADDRESSES & DURATION FOR PAST 5 YEARS ON LAST PAGE

9. AGE \_\_\_\_\_ 10. HEIGHT \_\_\_\_\_ ft \_\_\_\_\_ in 11. WEIGHT \_\_\_\_\_ lbs

12. PRESENT DENOMINATION \_\_\_\_\_ YEAR OF BAPTISM \_\_\_\_\_  
Local Parish/Christian Community In Which You Actively Participate \_\_\_\_\_

13. MARITAL STATUS: Single \_\_\_ Married \_\_\_ Separated \_\_\_ Divorced \_\_\_ Widowed \_\_\_ How long? \_\_\_\_\_

14. PASSPORT \_\_\_\_\_  
Country Number Issue Date Expiration Date Place of issue

15. Were you ever subject to CIVIL DISCIPLINE? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ If so, explain on a separate sheet.

1. Are there any FINANCIAL, FAMILY, OR PERSONAL OBLIGATIONS OR SITUATIONS that would interfere with you offering a full term of service (1 year or longer) with our missions?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, please explain.

2. MI CASA FOUNDATION IS NOT ABLE TO PROVIDE A RESETTLEMENT STIPEND when you complete your term of service. Do you have sufficient resources (personal, family, or friends) to provide for your needs after your service?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Have you APPLIED TO ANY OTHER VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
If "yes", please explain your present standing with them.

4. How did you hear about Mi Casa Foundation? \_\_\_\_\_

1. DATE AVAILABLE FOR SERVICE: \_\_\_\_\_ (Commitment starts at the end of July)

2. LENGTH OF COMMITMENT: (1 year minimum )

3. HAVE YOU HAD ANY FORMAL SPANISH TRAINING? \_\_\_\_\_ IF "YES":

a. When: \_\_\_\_\_ year

b. Type: Intensive (3-5 hrs / day) \_\_\_\_\_ High School \_\_\_\_\_ College \_\_\_\_\_ Other (describe) \_\_\_\_\_

c. Length: \_\_\_\_\_ weeks \_\_\_\_\_ semesters

d. Name and location of school \_\_\_\_\_

4. LEVEL OF SPANISH:

	FLUENT	GOOD	FAIR	POOR	NONE
SPEAKING					
UNDERSTANDING					
READING					
WRITING					

5. You will have either a phone interview or a personal interview in Spanish to assess your level of Spanish. If it is determined that you need further language study, are you able to pay for it? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

6. What FOREIGN COUNTRIES have you LIVED IN or VISITED?

NAME OF COUNTRY	LENGTH OF STAY	PURPOSE OF VISIT

7. AREAS OF WORK INTEREST: Check no more than 3 preferences for the type of service work you would prefer, with 1, designating your first choice; 2, second choice; and 3, third choice:

\_\_\_\_\_ Caregiver for infants - caring for infants

\_\_\_\_\_ House Parent – “parenting” children by teaching hygiene, coordinating activities, supervising chores, helping w/homework

\_\_\_\_\_ Caregiver for elderly - providing care to elderly and care to chronically ill patients

\_\_\_\_\_ Maintenance Person - providing maintenance at the mission including, carpentry, painting, electrical and handyman tasks

\* Please explain your MOTIVATION and BACKGROUND for wanting to minister in each of the 3 areas you indicated.

1. PLEASE LIST ALL SCHOOLS ATTENDED, including trade school, beginning with the most recent.

NAME OF SCHOOL	ADDRESS (complete)	MAJOR/MINOR	DATES	DEGREE

2. After reviewing this application, we may request transcripts for undergraduate and graduate college work to assist us in selecting appropriate assignments.

1. PRESENT AND FORMER EMPLOYMENT: Please list chronologically, beginning with the most recent, all jobs held: including summer and part-time employment.

NAME, ADDRESS, & PHONE OF EMPLOYER AND SUPERVISOR	DATES From / To	POSITION AND KIND OF WORK	REASON FOR LEAVING

2. Have you been enrolled in a SEMINARY, RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY, or SIMILAR INSTITUTION? \_\_\_\_\_ If "yes" give:

a. Name and location: \_\_\_\_\_

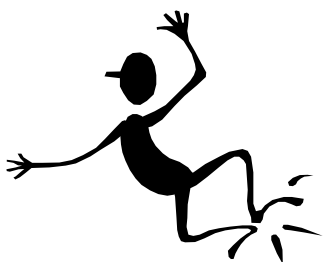
b. Dates: \_\_\_\_\_ c. Reason for leaving: \_\_\_\_\_

3. What EXPERIENCES or SKILLS do you have that you consider valuable or useful for missionary service?

SKILL / EXPERIENCE

YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____



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Way There !!!!! ☺*

1. VOLUNTEER WORK: Please list chronologically, beginning with the most recent, any significant volunteer work that you have done

NAME, ADDRESS & PHONE OF ORGANIZATION	LENGTH OF WORK	POSITION HELD/TYPE OF WORK

2. Briefly describe your experiences in your volunteer work in terms of what you learned. What were the greatest rewards and what were the greatest difficulties / challenges?

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3. What/who has been influential in your desire to be a missionary?

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4. What specifically attracts you to work with Mi Casa Foundation?

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1. Ways I DEAL WITH MY OWN PERSONAL PROBLEMS are: \_\_\_\_\_

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2. How do you REACT when you're UNDER A SIGNIFICANT DEGREE of STRESS? \_\_\_\_\_

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3. In a few words, describe your STYLE of LEADERSHIP: \_\_\_\_\_

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4. What INTERPERSONAL SKILLS or PERSONAL TALENTS would you bring to a group-living situation? \_\_\_\_\_

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6. Describe any living situation you have had which was COMPLETELY OUT OF YOUR OWN CULTURAL CONTEXT. Did you ENJOY the experience? What PROBLEMS did you encounter? What did you discover are some of your BASIC NEEDS?

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7. Please list three expectations you have of the Mi Casa Foundation? Are you open to living in community with only one volunteer? With 2-3 volunteers? (If "no" to any of the questions, please explain why not.)

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8. Being a missionary with Mi Casa Foundation requires a significant commitment of time (one year or longer) and of oneself (community living, living simply, etc.). What experiences or skills do you possess that indicate you will be able to keep this commitment?

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1. HOW DO YOU APPRAISE YOUR PRESENT HEALTH? Excellent \_\_\_ Good \_\_\_ Fair \_\_\_ Poor \_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

2. PHYSICAL HEALTH: Do you have or have you ever had any of the following? If "yes", give details below in question 3.

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|---------------|--------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|--|
| ___ AIDS/HIV  | ___ Drug Addiction             | ___ Heart Disease<br>(murmur, stroke,<br>rheumatic fever,<br>chest pain) | ___ Kidney disorder               | ___ Ulcers                             |
| ___ Allergies | ___ Epilepsy                   |  | ___ Neurological<br>disorders     | ___ Diabetes (other<br>blood disorder) |
| ___ Asthma    | ___ Uncorrected vision         | ___ Hepatitis (other<br>liver disorder)                                  | ___ Gastrointestinal<br>disorders | ___ other:                             |
| ___ Cancer    | ___ Gynecological<br>disorders | ___ High blood<br>pressure   | ___ Tuberculosis                  |  |

3. If you checked any in Question #2 please give further detail below regarding DATES, TREATMENT RECEIVED or BEING RECEIVED & WHERE YOU ARE AT WITH IT NOW (especially if you have had CANCER, mention if you are in remission and for how long you have been). Use an extra sheet of paper if necessary.

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4. Will you need a reasonable accommodation for a disability in order for you to become a missionary? If yes, please explain:

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**5. MENTAL HEALTH and SUBSTANCE ABUSE:**

a. Please use a separate sheet to indicate any history of counseling, psychotherapy, psychiatric care, or substance abuse and explain the nature of the disturbance, the length of treatment/therapy, and its impact on your life.

If NOT APPLICABLE, check here: \_\_\_\_\_

b. If you are currently under treatment, do you authorize the Mi Casa Foundation to request a letter of recommendation from your counselor/therapist/doctor? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_; If yes, please include their Name, Full Address, & Phone

**6. DIETARY: Will you be able to eat the food that is provided at your mission site? Are there any foods which you do not or cannot eat? Please explain.**

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**1. REFERENCES: Please provide the following 3 references and inform them that they are your references, and to return the forms promptly upon receiving them.**

(After receipt of this application form, the Mi Casa Foundation will send your references the appropriate form to be filled out.)

**1. CO-WORKER:**

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

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

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**2. SERVICE SUPERVISOR OR EMPLOYER:**

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

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

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**3. SPIRITUAL GUIDE, PRIEST, OR MINISTER:**

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

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

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE INCLUDE AN AUTOBIOGRAPHY AND A RECENT PHOTO WITH THIS APPLICATION**

**A background check will be performed on all applicants.**

\* Although this application places no real obligation either on you or on Mi Casa Foundation, it does indicate a serious intention on your part to serve in our missions. Should you decide to withdraw your application, please notify us immediately.

Thank you for your interest in our ministry!

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**CONGRATULATIONS!**  
**YOU MADE IT!!! ☺**

# AUTOBIOGRAPHY

Write an autobiography (no more than 5 pages), making sure to address all categories listed below using the questions as a guideline. Share any experiences that have profoundly affected you.

## SELF

1. Describe your personality: include outstanding characteristics that make an impression on others.
2. How long have you thought about being a missionary? Describe how your family/friends feel about your desire to serve for a year or longer as a missionary.
3. What are your strengths and weaknesses, and how do you deal with your weaknesses?
4. What are some books, films, and/or plays that have impressed you and why?
5. Mention some of your hobbies, recreation, and leisure activities.

## FAMILY

1. Describe your family and your relationship with each member (include parents, siblings and their ages, spouse and children).
2. What have you learned from and/or enjoyed most about your family?
3. What has been the most difficult thing for you in relation to your family?
4. Describe the religious atmosphere in your home.
5. What is your experience of living away from home for any length of time?
6. Please include any personal/family history of abuse, neglect, abandonment or being orphaned? (Your autobiography will be held in strict confidence.)

## SOCIAL

1. Describe your relationship with your friends
2. How have these relationships influenced you?

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

1. Describe any past and present involvements in your parish, school, or community and how it has impacted your life.

(This section should be used as an opportunity to expand on what you included on the Volunteerism section of the application should you so desire, or to expand on other areas you were not able to include in that section due to space, and that you believe would be helpful for us to know.)

2. What do you hope to take away with you (that is, to learn or gain) from your experience as a lay missionary?

## SPIRITUAL

1. What are some of your most important RELIGIOUS BELIEFS?
2. How does your spirituality and/or religious faith manifest itself in your life?
3. How do you see God's action in your life at this time?

## CONTEMPORARY LIFE

1. What do you consider to be important moral/social issues of our day?
2. In your opinion, what is the Church's role in these issues and in the world?
3. How have you been involved in these issues and/or how do you see yourself being involved in them in the future?

**EXTRA SPACE FOR EXPLANATIONS**  
**(Include residence for last 5 years if not listed on page 1)**