

International Teachers Institute

Country: _____

Dates: _____

Pastor's Reference

Dear Pastor,

The person, who is asking for a reference from you, has applied to participate in a Teachers' Institute for teachers of English in the former Soviet Union.

The model of institute that we use among Russian, Ukrainian and Kazakh teachers is to spend two weeks with them, working in small groups and speaking always in English. During Week 1, we introduce many teaching methods that will give the local teachers much practice in Conversational English. During Week 2, we continue in English and introduce more teaching methods by holding a conference with the theme of "Teaching Strategies for Moral Development". Part of the input is to identify moral principles found in the ancient book, the Bible, as a guide. The open discussions are very helpful in developing English skills.

The purposes of this conference are to invite teachers to model new teaching strategies, to examine a variety of world views, to share seminars of programs developed and practiced by teachers from Western countries, to introduce one model of curriculum development that could assist them in writing their own curriculum on moral development. This is a professional teacher's conference.

The applicant will be asked to lead a small group of 7-10 teachers. It will be a mix of elementary and secondary teachers, and some administrators. He/she must be able to establish warm personal friendships quickly, and work with the teachers in a sensitive and respectful manner. The applicant must be able to relate individually as well as being able to initiate group participation.

The Teachers' Institute will be physically, emotionally and spiritually demanding. People may experience unexpected changes and hours of waiting; we plan as well as we are able, but often there are situations over which we have no control while staying in a foreign culture.

We would appreciate your being very candid with us. We will keep all responses confidential. Kindly mail this reference form directly to our office as soon as possible.

Thank you for your assistance.

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INTERNATIONAL TEACHERS INSTITUTE

Pastor or Church Leader

Reference Form

Please return this form as soon as possible

To be completed by the Applicant:

Name of Applicant: _____ Res. Tel. (____) _____

Address: _____ Wk. Tel. (____) _____

City _____ Prov/State _____ Postal/Zip Code _____

To be completed by the Pastor or Church Leader:

Name: _____ Tel. (____) _____

Address: _____

1. Your relation to the applicant is _____

2. How long and how well have you known the applicant? _____

3. Please comment on the following topics pertaining to the applicant:

a. Leadership ability _____

b. Ability to get along & work with others _____

c. Strong points _____

d. Areas that could improve _____

e. Interest/participation in evangelism _____

f. Personal walk with God _____

4. Have you ever known the applicant to demonstrate depression, moodiness or withdrawal? If so, please explain

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Pastor or Church Leader Reference Form (cont.)

5. Have you ever had occasion to question the applicant's morals, honesty, etc? If so, please explain.

6. Has the applicant ever shown signs of rebelliousness? Please comment.

7. Please comment on the applicant's suitability to participate in a cross-cultural evangelistic project.

8. Any other comments:

Signature _____ Date _____

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