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“...make disciples of all the nations...” Matthew 28:19

This is your welcome from the team at Disciple Makers. Jesus Christ has a vision to bring people from all nations to Himself that they might glorify Him in an eternal kingdom yet to come while they live life in a world that will end. Disciple making is His method and we are excited to join you as we follow Him to the cross inviting others to walk with us on the way.

The enclosed packet contains all you need to get started and **it is time sensitive.**

- 1) There is an adult leader and student participant mission overview. Read the applicable documents carefully.
- 2) There is a pastoral recommendation questionnaire that will need to be filled out and mailed in the addressed envelope supplied no later than January 15, 2014.
- 3) There is an application to be filled out and delivered no later than January 15, 2014. **You will need to include a copy of your passport biography page or your passport application receipt.**
- 4) Applicants will be contacted shortly after the January 15th deadline and interviews will be scheduled. These will be done in person if at all possible. Disciple Makers will do everything we can to accommodate scheduling and location for these interviews.
- 5) If you are scheduled for an interview, you will need to bring a check made out to HCM for the Ghana deposit in the amount of \$200. This check will only be cashed if the applicant is accepted for Disciple Makers and is nonrefundable.
- 6) If in the meantime you have any questions, please contact us by email at claysey@hcmweb.org, or by phone: **office** 409.579.3388 or **evenings** 409.579.2853. We would enjoy speaking with you personally.

Blessings,

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Adults: Mission Overview & Expectations

There is a glaring need in the Church today: The need to train up disciples that make disciples that make disciples. This is the model given to us by Jesus Himself and this is the model that has been largely abandoned in the name of being relevant or having a more “successful” method.

So how do we right the ship?

We want to turn your students into disciple makers.

We know you’re working to this end already, if not, you wouldn’t be reading this. Our goal is to help you. So what are we proposing that you’re not already doing? We believe there is something special that happens in the immersive experience. Call it “Sink-Or-Swim” or anything else, we believe that it’s beneficial to put students in an environment that challenges them. We also believe that they are far better in these situations than we often give them credit for. So how does this work?

This June, a select group of students will gather together from across Southeast Texas and participate in a month of discipleship training designed to shape their worldview and give them specific skills of turning around and discipling others. They will live together (with a healthy dose of supervision). They will work together. They will learn together. They will worship together. They will play together. And they will rest together.

The Disciple Makers track will begin with our students traveling to Ghana, West Africa for 2 weeks of mission work. This will jump start their understanding of how God has called them to view the world and the work He has given us to accomplish. After that, they will return to Texas and spend the next 2 weeks living and learning together. They will have the opportunity to see with their own eyes the hospitality and fellowship that characterizes a disciple of Jesus. They will identify specific people they can disciple when they return home and be given specific skills on how to walk through that process. They will spend the entire month of June being thrown into the proverbial deep end.

This is not a mission trip and this is not a summer camp. We are not interested in giving Christian students a fun opportunity to travel and fellowship. Our aim here is simple. If the gospel is going to go forward, it will be because young adults have internalized it and allowed it to affect the way they live. It will be because the followers of Jesus have taken seriously His call to make disciples of all nations.

The nature of this program requires a small group and a certain type of student, so we will be limiting the group to a maximum of 12. This means that we will be choosing students through an application process. The only question left is:

Will your student say “yes” to the call of Christ to make disciples?



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Student: Mission Overview & Expectations

Jesus said “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations...” But what does that actually look like? What exactly is a disciple? And what exactly does that require of you?

Congratulations, you’ve been marked as a young leader in your youth or college group and that’s great - but have you ever wondered if there is more to following Christ than a couple of weekly activities where everyone gathers together? What does it look like to live out your faith with a small community of believers in a way that changes everything in your life? What does it look like to follow Jesus in a way that naturally produces in others a desire to follow Him too?

This is exactly what we hope to help you with.

Disciple Makers wants to fully immerse you in the opportunity to live out your faith. We want to teach you how to learn, how to work, how to worship, how to rest, and how to see the world in a way that makes much of Jesus. And here’s how we want to do it:

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Some people call this method “Sink or Swim”. We just think that this is the way Jesus did things.

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This program is not for the faint of heart. You will be challenged. You will be pushed out of your comfort zone. But you will also emerge out of the other end with a faith that changes things. And if you’re reading this, I’m guessing that’s something you want. We will be limiting the number of this group to 12. Jesus only had 12 disciples, so we think that’s a good number to go with. That means there will be an application and interview process. Good luck as you pray through how God would have you spend your summer. We’re excited to get to know you and help you make much of Him.

Will you answer “yes” to the call of Christ to make disciples of all nations?



Application Summer 2014

Ghana, West Africa - Beaumont, Texas • June 1st - 30th

Cost of Trip: \$3,200

Please complete the following application. Fax it to 409.579.2448 or email it to claysey@hcmweb.org and return the original to Holistic Christian Ministry 4820 Fairdale Road, Hemphill, TX 75948. Include a photocopy of your passport or receipt from your passport application.

Full Legal Name: _____ Nick name: _____

Male () Female () T-Shirt Size: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____ Birthplace: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____ Facebook Page _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone Number: _____

Beneficiary/Relationship: _____

Member of what church: _____

Name of Pastor: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Questionnaire

- 1) I can do manual labor for four hours at a time. YES ___ NO ___
- 2) I can walk through moderately hilly trails for two hours at a time. YES ___ NO ___
- 3) I can manage personal medical needs that are of a recurrent nature. YES ___ NO ___
- 4) I can lift and move 25 lbs. without extreme difficulty. YES ___ NO ___
- 5) I can move and lift 50 lbs. without extreme difficulty. YES ___ NO ___
- 6) I can say yes to the following statement made by Jesus Christ. YES ___ NO ___

And He was saying to *them* all, "If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross daily and follow Me. ²⁴ "For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake, he is the one who will save it. (Luk 9:23-24 NAU)

I, _____, (printed name) certify that the information given is to the best of my knowledge true and accurate.

Signed _____ Dated _____



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Pastoral Recommendation

23 And he said to all, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. 24 For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will save it. Luke 9:23-24

Each applicant to Disciple Makers Summer training and missions teams must submit a reference questionnaire from his/her pastor and youth pastor. We value your opinion and insight, and request that you give a full candid report, so that fair considerations may be given to the applicant. Please use as much space as you need by adding pages of your own.

1. How long have you known the applicant? _____

2. How well do you know the applicant? (Check where appropriate)
 By name/sight Very well/numerous personal contacts
 Casually/few contacts Know family quite well

3. To your knowledge, has the applicant made a personal commitment to Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior? _____

4. Please describe the applicant's observable spiritual walk.

5. Please describe the applicant's home life.

6. Describe the applicant's talents and abilities.

7. Please evaluate the applicant in the following areas:

	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Fair	Poor	Don't Know
Leadership						
Responsibility						
Christian Commitment						
Initiative						
Diligence						
Cooperation						
Moral Character						
Integrity/Honesty						
Service to Others						
Family Relationships						
Handling Authority						

8. Are there any emotional, spiritual, or authority issues that would hinder the applicant in an intensive work/discipleship/missions training environment?

9. Please state why you would recommend this applicant to be accepted into this training program?

Name _____ Position _____
 Church Name _____ Telephone _____ Email _____
 Church Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
 Signature _____ Date _____

Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire and write your recommendation. Your observations will assist us in our evaluation of this applicant. Please return this questionnaire and recommendation to:

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