

Dear

For many of you this is the first time you've heard from me in a while. Let me explain why I am writing. My youth group is going on a missions project to Mexico this summer. When you think of Mexico, what comes to mind? Acapulco, Cancun, beaches, and sun? Well, we're going to minister in one of the poorest areas in the hemisphere, a boarder town filled with shacks of cardboard and tin. We're going to people, many of whom have lost hope, in order to share our reason for hope.

You may ask, "Why leave the comfort of my home in the West to go to the land of donkeys and sombreros?" Missions is a chance to put what Christ teaches into practice through serving others. This project provides an opportunity to do just that.

Our project will be during this summer (July 18-29). It is organized by Rocky Mountain District of the Christian and Missionary Alliance. Several churches in our district will have their students join together to experience missions first hand. Our own youth leaders will handle everything in setting up and leading the project. Our first three days will be spent in Cheyenne Wyoming at a District Youth Conference to receive training. Our mission in Mexico will involve doing light construction, leading a Vacation Bible School, praying as a team, working with children and evangelizing their families.

I need your help as I step out in obedience. By praying for me as I prepare and go to Mexico, you will have a direct impact on my ministry. Prayer is of vital importance to every aspect of life and this project is no exception. Also, the cost of the project is \$350 per student. I have put aside \$100 from my job for the project and need to raise another \$250. Will you consider supporting me financially? All I need is ten people to give \$25 each in order to make this missions adventure possible. Please send contributions to my church and they will credit my account. Use the tear-off portion below. I need to have all the money in by June 15. A receipt will automatically be sent to you from the church.

I look forward to what God will do in my life through this project and will be in touch with you to let you know more. Your support and prayers mean a great deal to me. Thank you for sharing in this opportunity with me to influence the lives of many people, not just in Mexico, but my life and the lives of the rest of the group.

Love in Christ,
Tim Smith

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_____ Yes, I want to support _____ with my prayers and my gift of \$ _____.
_____ Yes, I want to support _____ with my prayers at this time.
_____ No, I cannot help you at this time, but have fun and don't drink the water!

Name: _____

Address: _____

Make checks payable and return to: Church name, Church address