

# SHORT TERM MISSIONS





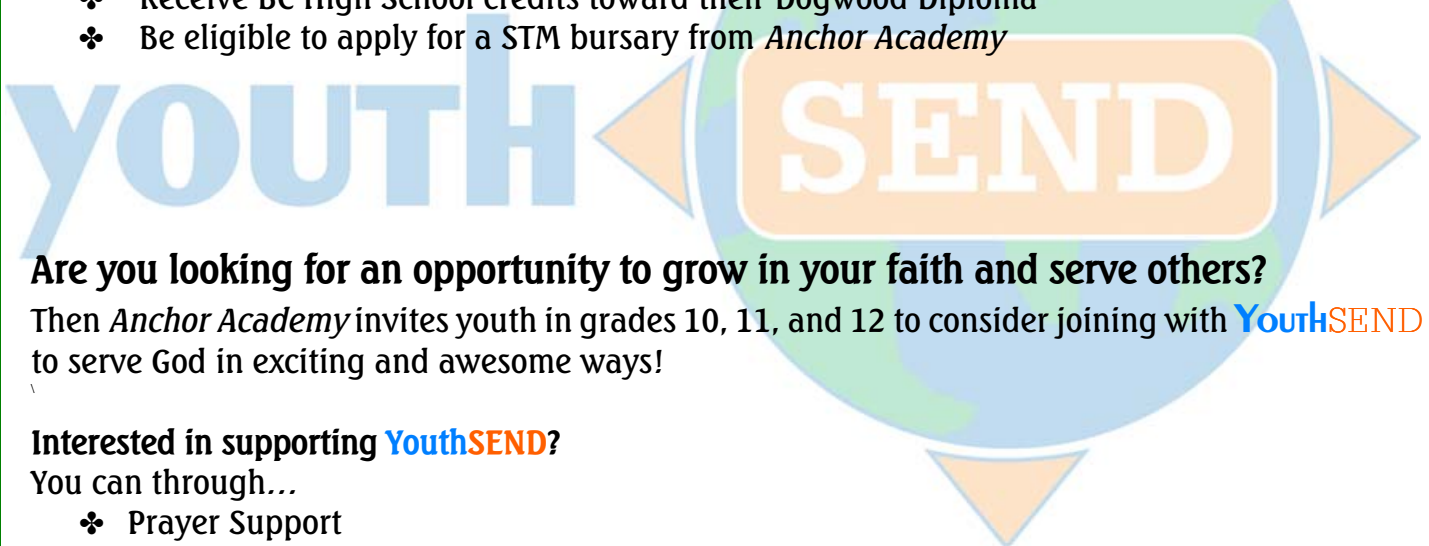
Anchor Academy is pleased to introduce the ministry of YouthSEND's, to see youth **SERVING** others with compassion, **ENGAGING** in God's mission to reach the world, **NURTURING** personal faith in Christ, and **DARING** to go wherever God directs.

Launched as a division of Anchor Academy, YouthSEND is currently developing exciting short-term mission opportunities for youth in countries such as Guatemala, Bolivia, Africa, China, & Canada. Paul & Rhonda Vike, Directors of Missions desire to see young people ignited to become *passionate disciples of Jesus through Discipleship programs and Short Term Missions.*

Youth enrolled in YouthSEND's short-term mission trips and missions/discipleship related courses offered through Anchor Academy will benefit in many ways.

#### Youth will...

- ❖ Grow in faith & personal relationship with Jesus Christ
- ❖ Develop & use their gifts to present the Gospel & serve others
- ❖ See & experience the diversity of a different culture
- ❖ Receive BC High School credits toward their Dogwood Diploma
- ❖ Be eligible to apply for a STM bursary from Anchor Academy



#### Are you looking for an opportunity to grow in your faith and serve others?

Then Anchor Academy invites youth in grades 10, 11, and 12 to consider joining with YouthSEND to serve God in exciting and awesome ways!

#### Interested in supporting YouthSEND?

You can through...

- ❖ Prayer Support
- ❖ Sponsor a Youth
- ❖ General Mission Fund

Send your donation to Anchor Academy for a tax-deductible receipt or call the office for more info!

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## SHORT TERM MISSIONS FOR TEENS

Service can take many forms, we all agree. However, *Anchor*'s principal has a particular interest in cross-cultural world missions for at least two reasons. It began in 1983 when Mr. Hunt's older son agreed to participate in a summer mission to a primitive tribal group in Bolivia. Before departing, Matt's comment to his parents was, "Just because I'm doing this, don't get the idea that I plan to be a missionary!" At summer's end his negative feelings had taken a 180 degree turn-around, replaced with the enquiry, "What does a person need to do to become a missionary?" Immersion in the third-world for that brief missions thrust has impacted Matt's (and his parents!) entire outlook on life ever since!

However, there is an even more compelling reason. Based on the enormous impact on Matt's attitude toward serving his Saviour, the staff at the small Christian school where Howard Hunt was principal banded together to establish *Student Missions International*, a platform to encourage students to include a short term mission in their adolescent experiences. While researching the subject of missions, Howard stumbled on a hidden reality about Jesus' Great Commission: "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15). And yes, this original commission is also recorded in Matthew 28:19 and Acts 1:8, right? No, wrong!

As he studied these three passages, Howard discovered that each utterance was delivered in a different location - Matthew's while Jesus was in Galilee; Mark's in Jerusalem; Luke, author of the book of Acts, when Jesus was on the Mount of Olives. In other words, Jesus issued this instruction on three distinct occasions as His final message before ascending to heaven.

How does all this impact *Anchor Academy* today? Whatever else we may expect in the way of education and college/career preparation as an outcome for our *Anchor* students, it is essential that we first and foremost acknowledge Jesus' claim on every Christian young person. Jesus' call beckons every believer, whether in the first century or the twenty-first. The biggest difference is that in the first, the Apostle Paul at least implied that the whole world had heard the gospel (Col. 1:6), where at the present time we're being told there are over 3000 unreached tribes/languages/people groups who have never heard of Jesus!

So, how can the *Academy* become a catalyst to this end? For starters, we have set up a *Student Missions International* bank account that will provide funds to assist motivated teens to participate in cross-cultural missions.

Using the BC Ministry of Education's *Passport to Education* funding program as a model, we are determined to make it possible for our enrolled students to "earn" funds toward specified costs of approved **short term mission (stm)** experiences as they continue their education with *Anchor Academy*.

### **Short Term Missions fall into two categories at *Anchor Academy*:**

1. For many years *Anchor* teens have connected with different organizations that host stms in different parts of the globe - and it has been a privilege for the *Academy* to provide funds to assist these committed young people with a portion of their costs. For this first category of stms, students are invited to request funds from their STM Credit account (see page B-7) up to the amount in their account (max.\$750) or 50% of the anticipated cost of the mission, whichever is less. The balance must be earned or raised by the participating student.
2. The second category includes those missions supervised directly by *Anchor* staff. An example is "Guatemala Fusion 2007", with details provided on page G-5. Funding for these missions is more generous and is also explained on page B-7.

STMs have become an integral part of *Anchor Academy*, and are a direct expression of why we exist. We pray that many of our young people will seize the opportunity to serve their Lord through short term missions!

## CHARITABLE DONATIONS

Each enrolled family is asked to contribute annually toward *Anchor Academy*'s scholarship fund. This may be a cash donation or parents of DL students are invited, in exchange for a tax deductible receipt, to donate some or all of the unneeded portion of their \$1000 CCA toward the scholarship fund. Every gift is appreciated and will be used entirely to assist a deserving student to either experience a life-changing short term mission or to attend an approved post-secondary institution to further God's purposes in his or her life. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

*Anchor Academy Society* is a federally registered charitable organization. Donations of \$10 or more made to the Society will be acknowledged with a tax-deductible receipt.

# Missions Fusion - Guatemala 2007



## **Purpose:**

- To provide a short term mission trip that will blend cross-cultural studies, discipleship training and hands-on missions experience.
- To engage youth in God's mission by using their gifts and abilities to share the love of Jesus in word-and in compassionate service.

## **Trip Profile:**

*Missions Fusion - Guatemala 2007* is an exciting short term mission trip designed to give youth a blended missions experience. This mission trip will offer B.C. high school credit courses - Cross Cultural Missions 12, Discipleship 12, Spanish 11, and Media Arts 11, - while living in Guatemala. Youth will participate in studies, daily discipleship training, evangelistic outreach and practical mission work amongst the Guatemalan people.

**Location:** Antigua & surrounding area, Guatemala

**Timing:** November 2007

**Duration:** Approximately 30 days in-country

**Cost:** \$2750 CAD. est. Included in this estimated cost is airfare, travel, meals, lodging, administration, course & teacher fees. Not included are costs for vaccinations, passports, & other pre-trip expenses. \*Final cost to be confirmed.

*Successful applicants may receive up to 50% Short Term Mission Bursary from Anchor Academy.*

## **Application Requirements:**

- Have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ
- Open to young people in Grades 10, 11, & 12.
- Enroll in above listed courses at Anchor Academy
- Able to earn or raise financial support
- Cooperative and willing to participate in all activities

**Application Deadline:** May 15, 2007

Contact Paul or Rhonda Vike at **youthSEND**

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