



US/C2 MISSIONARIES SUGGESTIONS FOR ADJUSTING TO AREA OF MINISTRY

Preparation

1. Develop a support system before going
 - Prayer Team: Ask at least 6 people to form a prayer support team. This is a group that you will contact regularly with prayer requests.
 - Accountability/Encouragement Team: Enlist 4-6 people to serve as a group that will contact you regularly about issues you have in your work or personal life. Communicate expectations of team member when enlisting. This group will also take the initiative to do things to encourage you in your ministry and seek to help you as an individual. This team will help you set specific goals related to character, attitude, and behavior that they will ask you about. This team will commit themselves to write you, send you care packages, and assist you in other ways that God leads them to do.
2. Learn all you can about the area/ministry where you will serve before you go
 - What is the background of the ministry? How and why was it started? What are the primary objectives and goals it is seeking to accomplish?
 - Who is your supervisor? How long has he/she served there? What is his/her background in ministry? What is his/her vision for the ministry?
 - What specific prayer needs, concerns, or praises can you share with your prayer team?
3. Pray
 - For character qualities, attitudes, and spiritual truths God wants to build into your life through this experience.
 - For needs or concerns that you learn about from the place where you will serve.
 - For your supervisor, co-workers, missionary partners, local churches, and the people who are the focus of your ministry.

Service

1. Attitudes
 - Servanthood – Identify ways that you can be a servant in the ministry location. List things that may hinder you in demonstrating a servant attitude.
 - Faith – Seek to trust God for the situations you will encounter.
 - Flexibility – You want me to do what? When does this need to be finished? What is “Plan B”?
 - Adaptability – Eat what God provides. Learn to live in situations and circumstances that may be very different than what you are familiar with.



2. Motivation

- Love – Why are you serving? Read 1 Corinthians 13 and 2 Corinthians 5:15.
- Calling – Read 2 Corinthians 5:16-20.
 - What keeps you in a place of ministry? Knowing that God has called you to a particular place of service is an essential understanding that will see you through the difficult times that eventually comes to everyone.
 - Faithful obedience to His call is important. “God didn’t call someone else here, He called me!”