

PATHWAYS TO MISSIONARY SERVICE

Pathway	Status	Anticipated Length of Service	Funding	REQUIREMENTS				BENEFITS		TRAINING	
				Sending Church Partnership	Online Application	Doctrinal Interview	Final Approval	Retirement	Medical & Travel Insurance	Entry Level Requirements	Individual Development Plan**
Long-Term	Employee Minister	4+ Years	Support	✓	✓	✓	New Missionary Appointment Committee	✓	✓	New Missionary Orientation	● ● ● ● ●
Mid-Term	Employee Minister	1-4 Years	Support	✓	✓		Missionary Personnel Committee	Optional 403(b)	✓	New Missionary Orientation	● ● ○ ○ ○
Part-Time*	Employee Minister	Varies	Support	✓	✓	Long Term Only	Varies*	Optional 403(b)	Varies	New Missionary Orientation	Varies*
Associate*	Non-Employee Minister	Varies	Self-Funded	✓	✓	Long Term Only	Varies*			New Missionary Orientation	● ● ● ○ ○
Short-Term	Non-Employee	2 Months - 1 Year	Support or Self-Funded	Home Church Certification Only	✓		RD and Mobilization		Travel	Online	
Missions Trip	Volunteer	Up to 2 Months	Support or Self-Funded		Varies		Varies		Travel	ClearTravel	

*Must choose between Long-Term and Mid-Term.

**Varies according to each individual. The dots represent the relative number of requirements for the typical missionary.