HOW DO I BECOME A MEMBER OF INTERNATIONAL TEAMS PHILIPPINES?

A. How can I join the mission organization?

1. **Read the membership guide on the Membership page of our website: www.iteamsphils.org. Then browse thru the required membership training at the same page. Should you decide to proceed with your application for membership, you may join either an onsite seminar or online webinar on the required mission trainings. The dates and locations for both seminars and webinars, are available at our website. For our onsite seminars, you may download the application form from the website and just go directly to the seminar venue and register there. There is a separate Online Registration for the mission webinars. The fee for either seminar or webinar is P1,000.**

2. **You are required to complete two membership trainings: The first is ACCESS MISSION Training which are offered in either on-site seminar or online webinar formats. For on-site seminars, the trainings are held locally in a location and date stated on the IT website. The final training required to attain full membership in International Teams is the SOUTHEAST ASIA MISSION WORKSHOPS (ACCESS 2) held outside of the Philippines. It is a one-week mission exposure trip held in various Southeast Asian countries where we have active missionary presence. Mission training fees for each seminar, webinars and mission exposure trips are shown on our website: www.iteamsphils.org.**

3. **After completion of the two-phase IT Mission training, you will be informed by our office regarding the final decision on your application for membership. The field team & IT Evaluators who will be hosting your short-term mission exposure trip will try to determine your fitness for mission work. They will be making the final evaluation and recommendation to the IT Office.**

4. **If accepted, you will be asked to join a short Membership Briefing (onsite or online) and will be asked to sign a Membership Contract detailing the essential services that the organization will provide and the expectations from you as a missionary.**

5. **An ID card will be issued to you and your name will be officially included in International Teams Worldwide Personnel List.**

B. Where can I get an IT Membership Application form?

You could secure a set of application forms from any of our offices in Makati, from any of our ACCESS Mission Seminar in the location nearest your place, or simply download the form directly from our website. It can be found on the MEMBERSHIP page. The list of ACCESS Seminars in various locations in the Philippines can be viewed at the CALENDAR page of our website.

C. Can another leader from my church sign the endorsement page instead of my pastor?

Yes. We will accept the endorsement of another leader in your church if they are at the level of elders, deacons or board members.

D. Where do I submit my application form?

You may submit your application form on the first day of Access Mission training or email it to itph@iteams.org if you are taking the Access Mission Webinar.

E. If I am a foreigner living in the Philippines, will I follow the same procedures as stated above?

We will treat your application on a case-to-case basis. If you belong to a country where we have a National Organization present, then we will redirect your application to them. If you desire to take your Mission Trainings in the Philippines, you will have to request for the special arrangement from the IT national office in your country.

F. If I am a Filipino living outside of the country, will I follow the same procedures?

YES, same membership procedure applies to all. You don't have to fly back though to take your IT mission training in the

Philippines. ACCESS MISSION Trainings are already available online. Schedule of IT MISSION Seminars and Webinars are available at our website: www.iteamsphils.org.

G. Can I take SOUTHEAST ASIA MISSION WORKSHOP first and then attend the ACCESS MISSION Training later?

We try to DISCOURAGE the practice. ACCESS MISSION Training is required prior to taking the Southeast Asia ACCESS Mission Workshop. We admit though that there were cases of this nature in the past, but we're not sold to the idea. We deemed it necessary for the participants to have good knowledge and appreciation of the world mission agenda as well as understanding of the values and beliefs of our mission group before they step into the mission field where IT missionaries serve. The IT mission trainings were intended to prepare them for their mission trip and not the other way around.

H. Can I still reapply if I am not accepted in my first attempt?

YES, if the reason for your denial is corrected and all requirements are fulfilled. You will have to go through the whole procedure and undergo the same set of trainings. You need to take note that you will be evaluated again and there is no assurance of acceptance. You will be treated like every other applicant and will be evaluated in the same manner.

I. Do I need to be a graduate of a seminary course on Missions to be accepted in the program?

NO. We have not set an education requirement criterion on our membership applications. We don't even gauge one's economic

status, gender, and age. We seek applicants whose main desire is to serve the LORD without any hesitation and are willing to embrace a faith paradigm.

J. Who can I talk to for other questions not addressed in this FAQ section?

We advise that you take the time first to browse and read thoroughly all the seminars, conferences, mission trips, events on our website: www.itemsphils.org. The website contains detailed information on dates, locations, costs/fees, requirements, ministries, etc.

Should you still want to talk to someone from our office to assist you. please contact the following individuals for guidance in the membership process:

1. Ynah De Los Reyes - Sinsay – Contact No.: +63 906 763 4273
2. Kathy Merencillo – Contact No.: +63 932 908 5347 or +63 915 719 2663
3. Mobilizer(s) close to your place – go to the Mobilizers page on our website: www.iteamsphils.org,