

Prayer/Financial Support Letter Information for Cuba Mission Trips

1. Ask God to direct you as you create a list of prospective prayer/financial partners. Focus on friends and family members who would desire to have a personal investment in you and your trip. Ask them to give as they are able, above their commitment of tithe to their local church.
2. List the location, dates and purpose of the mission trip.
3. Share specific ways your supporter can participate as a prayer partner and share specific prayer requests.
4. For the most current, up-to-date information, please point people to *Cuba 4 Christ* ...on Facebook. Ask others to 'like' our *Cuba 4 Christ* Facebook page and they will receive the updates regularly.
5. Also point those interested to *Cuba 4 Christ* videos on YouTube...at...Virginia Hansen. Find trip videos and interviews on the YouTube channel.
Cuba 4 Christ Spring Cuba 2015 Video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KTqXnB7ccyk>
Cuba 4 Christ Fall Cuba 2014 Video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t96cLDPP3GM>
Cuba 4 Christ Spring Cuba 2014 Video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VO1zjZCR17Q>
6. Invite your prospective supporters to take a look at the '*Cuba 4 Christ*' web page. www.cuba4christ.org
7. Share the cost of the trip in your letter. This should not include loss of income or personal expenses you may incur.
8. Explain there are several ways to send in donations for your trip.
 - **Secure Credit Card** donations can be submitted on-line at www.cuba4christ.org Direct those who are not members at First Baptist Church of West Palm Beach (FBCWPB), to log on as a '*GUEST*' and follow the instructions. By putting *YOUR NAME*, as the designee, the funds will automatically be submitted to your trip account. A receipt for this transaction is ***immediately*** made available to the donor.
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 - All donations are tax-deductible.
 - Include the deadline for the receipt of funds.
9. If you receive *cash, checks* or *money orders*, please make a photocopy of them. Keep the photocopies for Virginia Hansen. Please place the *cash, checks* or *money orders* in a FBCWPB offering envelope. Print the donor's name and their address on the front of the envelope. Also on the front of the envelope, write *your name*, as designee, and '***CUBA MISSIONS***.' You may place the envelope in the offering plate, or in one of the wooden cross donation boxes conveniently located throughout the church campus. Do not write your personal check for cash given to you.
10. List your prayer partners on the 'Prayer Covenant List' and submit the list to Virginia Hansen.
11. Prior to your trip, send a thank you letter acknowledging their support and a list of specific prayer requests. Upon your return, send a follow-up letter outlining what you saw God do in your own life, as well as, through you in the lives of others. Remember your supporters are a part of the trip and of the harvest by way of their prayer/financial contributions.

Sample Prayer/Financial Support Letter for Cuba Mission Trips

Date _____

Dear _____,

The Lord has given me an opportunity to serve Him. I will be able to serve and minister with the people of Cuba by participating in a short-term mission trip to Havana from (DATES of TRIP). God has been burdening my heart to move beyond awareness and into involvement in world missions. He has specifically shown me this is the place and time to go and tell others about Jesus.

Our team of (NUMBER of TEAM) will be involved in (DESCRIBE the PROJECT and MISSION FOCUS-see example listed here...) Spanish Vacation Bible School events with Havana churches providing resources and training. We will continue our spiritual and relational investment in the Cuban people via leadership, training, mentoring and spiritual development. Also, we will continue our partnership with the Western Baptist Convention, seminary, local churches and a senior adult living facility by participating in construction projects and providing resources and medical supplies. In the process of sharing the love of Jesus with the people of Cuba, we will have the opportunity to share the expression of His ultimate love by sharing the Gospel of Christ every day.


As I make preparations, both physically and spiritually, for this trip, I am mindful this is not a task I can do on my own. This mission will require the support of many others, both prayerfully and financially. I am asking you to be in prayer for me, for my team, and for those we will serve alongside of in Cuba. I am also asking you to prayerfully consider how the Lord could allow you to invest in this trip above and beyond your normal tithes to your church. My commitment to you is to pray that God will bless you as we faithfully steward all resources entrusted to us for His purpose. The total cost of the mission trip is (LIST the COST of the TRIP).

If the Lord impresses you to help with the cost of this trip, you can do so by making your secure *credit card* donation or secure *electronic check* donation on-line at www.cuba4christ.org. Indicate that the gift is designated for (YOUR NAME) when you donate *on-line* at: www.cuba4christ.org. All contributions are tax deductible. A receipt for this transaction is *immediately* made available for you to print out and save for your records.

The total funds are needed by (DEADLINE DATE).

Thank you for prayerfully considering to partner in this mission trip with me. ***“Not because I desire a gift, but I desire fruit that may abound to your account”- Philippians 4:17.*** May our Lord continue to richly bless you. Cuba para Christo! Cuba for Christ!

Because of Him,

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