



## GLOBAL XPOSURE

### Information for Potential Leaders

*Global Interaction seeks to empower communities to develop their own distinctive ways of following Jesus. **Global Xposure** is the short-term programme of Global Interaction with the aim of enabling people to experience and engage in cross-cultural mission in small church-based teams.*

Global Xposure is about:

- encountering God
- embracing the challenge of mission
- exposure to effective missiology and responses to poverty and injustice
- expressing the Acts 1:8 calling of the local church
- enabling the discovery of gifts and abilities
- engaging with the vision, impact and approach of Global Interaction and partner organisations

Global Xposure is a learning experience with a strong focus on awareness-raising. Teams engage in cultural activities and possibly specific projects (eg English teaching) that connect with and support Global Interaction's long-term mission strategies. Global Xposure is *not* about "doing" (eg building projects) but rather about observing and learning. Teams are encouraged to ask questions, explore cultures, experience cross-cultural mission work and reflect deeply on their experiences.

“ p r e p a r e      e x p e r i e n c e      r e f l e c t ”

### How to get started

Global Xposure teams are church-based. Potential leaders (with the approval of their church leadership) are asked to contact their state Global Interaction representative or Young Adult Consultant. Global Interaction will interview and approve of all team leaders and seeks leaders with previous cross-cultural experience and the ability to build and lead a team. Approval for a Global Xposure must be obtained at least one year in advance from your state Global Interaction office.

### Where do teams go?

Global Xposure teams visit Global Interaction long-term staff in Africa, Cambodia, Thailand, Outback Australia, Silk Road region and Central, South and South-East Asia.

### Finances

**Every Global Xposure participant (including team leader) is required to contribute \$100 towards the Global Xposure Development Programme** (via our website's giving page or cheque). The Global Xposure Development Programme is a national strategy to subsidise costs for four pastors Global Xposure teams each year, aiming to introduce pastors to the work of Global Interaction and train them for leading future teams.

Every Global Xposure team leader will receive, at no cost, a leaders training manual, country specific supplement, devotional guides and full travel insurance (including emergency evacuation if required) for every participant.

Every team's overall cost will vary depending on location and time away. However the average cost for a 3 week trip is \$2500-\$3500 per person. Each team is responsible for paying all costs involved – Global Interaction does not provide any funds for Global Xposure teams. Global Interaction recommends that each team member provides at least 80% of their own costs and that the remaining 20% can be covered through group fundraising efforts. If a paid pastor is involved in a Global Xposure trip, Global Interaction recognises this as professional development and encourages churches to cover the costs of their trip.



### Team Leader's responsibilities

- A team leader is responsible for forming their team. Team member interviews are compulsory and the involvement of Global Interaction staff will be negotiated with each team. Global Interaction seeks to empower the team leader and their church to conduct these interviews, however reserves the right to accept or reject any application. Applicants with certain medical conditions may not be permitted on a Global Xposure team.
- Once a team is formed and their trip is approved by Global Interaction, the Global Xposure team leader is to communicate directly with the cross-cultural staff and organise their own itinerary, flights, visas and accommodation.
- Team leaders are expected to ensure that all forms required by Global Interaction (eg application form, medical form, working with children check and insurance form) are given to their state Global Interaction office well in advance of their team's departure date.
- Team leaders are responsible for training their team and are asked to be in monthly communication with their Global Interaction representative. It is expected that there be an equivalent of 6 x 3hr training sessions and one weekend away, to ensure that all relevant material is covered in team training.

### Global Interaction provides...

- All the required training material (1 x leader's manual and 1 x country specific supplement) and a devotional journal for each team member.
- Full travel insurance for the entire team for the duration of their Global Xposure trip, free of charge. **(Please note that all forms must be submitted before your team can be covered by insurance).**
- Leader support - monthly communication between leader and Global Interaction state representative.
- A Global Interaction representative who will attend one training session of each team and conduct one debriefing session (approximately 6 weeks after returning).

### Global Interaction advises...

- Team leaders should take into account team dynamics. Global Interaction seeks to protect its long-term staff from unsuitable visitors and situations. Before forming a team, team leaders are asked to consider issues surrounding two or more family members, unmarried couples or parent/children team members.
- Global Xposure team leaders and members must be aged between 18 and 70 years.
- All team members should be made aware of the nature of a Global Xposure - what is involved, what is expected of them and how much it will cost.
- Global Interaction seeks to empower each team leader and will provide the necessary support to see every team have a positive, life-changing experience of cross-cultural mission.

*Thank you for your interest in Global Xposure. Global Interaction is committed to resourcing churches for global mission and enabling people to engage in cross-cultural mission work. We look forward to working in partnership with you.*

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