

How Do I Get to India?

Please see: www.rmni.org/global-and-short-term-missions/india.html

Thanks for your interest!

What do I need to do before I'm accepted?

- (1) First, come to the place where you believe God wants you to come with us.
- (2) Visit the RMNI site and ask any questions of the trip leaders.
- (3) Study the "Trip Essentials" paper for very important information about the trip.
- (4) Read the RMNI "Operational Statement of Beliefs" to be sure that we are in agreement.
- (5) Complete the "Trip Application" and return it to the address below.
- (6) A reply will be given. Upon acceptance a letter is sent that can be used to raise funds for your mission.

What do I do once I am accepted?

- (1) We suggest that you copy the acceptance letter and the one-page "Trip Essentials" and give them to those you know who might be interested in having a part in your ministry. Most receive partial or full funding from their local church, and copies could be given to the appropriate church leaders, including, of course, your pastor. Do what you are comfortable doing, but state the amount required for the trip. Please note that \$2,300 is due at the RMNI 35 days before departure, so that tickets can be purchased and funds sent to prepare for our ministry in country. Send a \$500 deposit upon acceptance. If you must cancel, RMNI will refund what is refunded to it.
- (2) Obtain a passport (forms at the post office) http://travel.state.gov/passport/forms/forms_847.html as needed. Allow **3 months** for processing. A visa should be obtained prior to departure. See www.indianembassy.org/visa.php Send a clear copy of your passport photo page to the address below and keep other copies for yourself and family.
- (3) Have the "Waiver of Liability Release Form" notarized and returned to the Director.
- (4) Schedule an appointment with your local health department foreign immunization nurse or physician a **minimum of 1 month** in advance of departure.
- (5) Complete team training assignments before departure.
- (6) Consult the Travel Manual and Quick Gear Checklist (at the website) for other trip specifics.
- (7) Read *Ministering Crossculturally*, 2nd ed., by Lingenfelter and Mayers (ISBN: 0801026474, available from Amazon.com) and complete the "Model of Basic Values" personal profile.
- (8) Ask your church and friends to begin to pray that the Lord will fully prepare you and Indians for this ministry and that the Lord will use the trip to advance His Kingdom, for His greater glory. Pray for the other Team members regularly and recruit prayer warriors.
- (9) Please observe weight limits for bags (these change) and raise funds needed to ship any bags beyond what is allowed, since we are not able to cover that cost.
- (10) Consider inviting others to apply to come to India with us.
- (11) If you don't have internet access, please try to obtain it, since it greatly helps communication before departure.
- (12) Prepare your teaching/preaching materials and study spiritual gifting, if you're unsure of your gifts. Become familiar with typical medical problems presented at clinics, as well as treatments, if you are on a medical team.

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