


Free Methodist World Missions

TEAM LEADER TRAINING

PRACTICAL TRAINING FOR LEADING SHORT-TERM MISSIONS WELL

October 2-3, 2026

Friday 6 - 8:30 PM • Saturday 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

 **Free Methodist World Ministries Center**
5235 Decatur Blvd.
Indianapolis, IN 46241

THIS TRAINING IS FOR YOU IF ...

- You sense a call toward cross-cultural ministry
- Your church wants to lead short-term teams well
- You believe preparation matters—spiritually, practically, and culturally
- You want practical tools, trusted guidance, and connection with experienced leaders

Registration: \$35*

Includes 2 meals, snacks, and materials
Pay at check-in (cash or check)
*\$50 after Sept. 1

Scan or click the QR code or visit: fmwm.org/go

Traveling?

Hotel lodging with free breakfast
and airport shuttle available for
\$119—\$129 + applicable taxes.



WHAT YOU'LL LEARN

Practical tools and insights for leading healthy short-term mission teams

PREPARING HEALTHY TEAMS

- Choosing and preparing team members wisely
 - Building strong team chemistry before departure
 - Leading with humility, flexibility, and a servant heart
 - Helping teams process conflict and challenges in healthy ways
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CROSS-CULTURAL MINISTRY

- Understanding culture shock and communication differences
 - Developing a servant-learner mindset
 - Building healthy relationships across cultures
 - Working respectfully with missionaries and national leaders
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HEALTH, SAFETY & PRACTICAL PREPARATION

- Travel health, safety, and liability considerations
 - Risk management and informed consent
 - Team paperwork, background checks, and planning systems
 - Practical travel tips and preparation tools
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SPIRITUAL FORMATION & DEBRIEFING

- Spiritual preparation before the trip
 - Helping teams reflect and grow through their experiences
 - Re-entry and post-trip debriefing practices
 - Moving from short-term experiences toward lasting impact
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TRAINING INCLUDES

Experienced presenters, practical tools and resources, real-world lessons from mission practitioners, and opportunities for discussion and collaboration.

EVENT LOGISTICS

Helpful travel and lodging information for Team Leader Training attendees



MEETING LOCATION

Free Methodist World Ministries Center
5235 Decatur Blvd.
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We'll use the employee entrance located on the left side of the building when facing the front entrance. The conference room is immediately to the right after entering.



AIR TRAVEL & TRANSPORTATION

Airport: Indianapolis International Airport (IND)
The World Ministries Center is approximately 10 minutes from the airport.

Rental cars are optional. Uber and hotel shuttle transportation are available.

Uber pickup is located at:
Zone A – Ground Transportation Center
(across from baggage claim)

Holiday Inn Indianapolis Airport

855 Stansted Rd., Indianapolis, IN 46241
Click on the link to get the \$129 discounted rate: https://fmchr.ch/Holiday_Inn

TOWNEPLACE **SUITES**[®] BY MARRIOTT

8850 Hatfield Dr., Indianapolis, IN 46241
\$119 discounted rate:
[Click here for FMCUSA discounted rates](#)



HOTEL OPTIONS

FMCUSA discounted lodging is available at nearby airport hotels with:

- Free airport shuttle service
- Breakfast included
- Free parking
- Indoor pool and fitness center

TRAINING TRANSPORTATION

FMWM staff will provide shuttle transportation between the contracted hotels and the World Ministries Center before and after training sessions.

Please be in the hotel lobby:

- Friday: 5:20–5:35 PM
- Saturday: 8:00–8:10 AM



FINAL STEP

Once your travel and lodging plans are finalized, please complete the [transportation coordination form](#)

Questions: go@fmcusa.org