

Missions and Ministry Application for Consideration to Participate in the 2026 Great Commission Sunday: A Day for Sowing & Blessing (October 18, 2026)

All applications must be submitted in writing, over your signature, using this form. If approved for consideration, additional detail may be requested and a meeting with the appropriate ministry committee or elders may be required. Each application must meet the following criteria in order to be considered for participation, and it will be beneficial if you review our prioritization guidelines on the reverse side. As a reminder, participants are only approved for a single year, and no assumptions should be made regarding future support.

The following statements represent guidelines used to prioritize requests and determine the ones that will benefit from our special offering.

1. Request that clearly involve evangelism, the sending of a messenger with the message of God will receive the highest priority.
2. Requests for ministries that are largely benevolent in nature yet designed to ultimately evangelize by mirroring the biblical call to care for the poor, the needy, the sick, widows and orphans, will receive priority consideration over requests for international schooling programs.
3. We will *normally* **not** fund the following:
 - a. Requests for the purchase of land, buildings or vehicles.
 - b. Requests for special building projects.
 - c. Requests for an individual's schooling or higher education.
 - d. Requests for budget shortfalls.
 - e. Requests to support the normal administrative/operational budget of an organization.
4. Requests that provide clear, measurable results and effectiveness will be given greater consideration.

Initial that you have read and understood our guidelines.

The **deadline** to submit applications for consideration is **August 2, 2026.**

The principles adopted by the GCS committee and approved by our elders include the following:

- From our mission statement...*Intentionally connected to God, His Word, His world and to each other.*
- Requests will be measured by this goal; *To sow the seed, thus connecting others to God and His world by supporting evangelistic efforts, the sending of evangelists and the making of disciples. We will connect to His world and one another by going into the world, into our neighborhood, and mirroring the gospel call to care for the poor, needy, sick, widows and orphans.*
- Requests must represent a ministry of the churches of Christ and a work not currently part of our budget.

Submitted by: (Please type or print)

Contact Information:

Phone:

E-mail:

Postal Address:

Website:

Please attach a 2–3-minute video, and/or send digital photos along with any social media link to Rick Harper at foreign.missions@collegechurchofchrist.org

Ministry or Activity Description: .

Current or projected annual budget:

Requested support from the College Church's Special Offering:

Approximate number of College Church members currently "personally" involved in this ministry?

Have you seen the College Church member involvement increase, decrease or remain the same in recent years?

Potential number of College Church members who could be "personally" involved in this ministry?

Are other churches of Christ currently involved in or have oversight of this ministry? If so, please list the church or churches with contact information.

Signature:

Please submit this application to the church office or one of the members of the Great Commission Sunday Committee. (Andrew Baker, Greg Brooks, Sarah Crouch, Rick Harper, Alan Hewett, Ellen Jones, Gene Luna, Chris Mitchell, Luke Morris, John Stone, Noel Whitlock)

If you were a recipient of funds from our 2025 Great Commission Sunday special offering, and are submitting a 2026 application, please complete the following.

Amount Requested in 2025: _____ Amount Received in 2025: _____

Original Purpose or Objectives in Request:

How the funds were actually used and an explanation of any deviation from original request?

Please provide a compelling reason for considering a subsequent request.

Any special stories or highlights you would like to share: (Use additional pages if necessary.)
