Qualifications For The JEMS South America Volunteer

JEMS Overseas Missions Program seeks to invite the best volunteers for effective cross-cultural ministry. Our desire is to invite those who fulfill the following qualifications:

I.   Spiritual Qualifications

      A.   Applicants shall show a demonstrated personal commitment to Jesus Christ for at least two years prior to the mission program.

      B.   Applicants shall display a genuine interest in the well being of others, expressed in a desire to see people come to know Jesus Christ as their personal Savior and to grow in their relationship with him as Lord.

      C.   Applicants must be baptized before going to South America for cross-cultural ministry. Evidence of one's commitment to Jesus Christ can be measured in part by obedience to his command to be baptized.

      D.   Applicants shall be a member or attender-in-good-standing of a local church whose statement of faith is in agreement with the JEMS statement of faith, and must have the recommendation of the leadership of their local church.

      E.   Applicants must demonstrate a high level of emotional and spiritual maturity. This will be determined by the applicant screening process and by a review of letters of recommendation.

      F.   Applicants seeking parental support or under financial obligation to parents must have the full consent of same to participate in the mission program.

II.   Background

      The JEMS mission applicant shall possess and uphold high moral standards of behavior, character and integrity.

      JEMS lives under the grace of God, however applicants with a history of criminal or improper conduct, felony or serious misdemeanor convictions should make this information known to JEMS voluntarily or upon inquiry. Failure to do so will result in immediate dismissal from the Mission program.

      Effective immediately, JEMS has instituted independent screening services as a means of objectively evaluating an applicant's qualifications, character, fitness, and to identify potential risks for safety and security.