

# **Cross Cultural Opportunity (CCO) to China April 2009**

**SERVICE OPPORTUNITY:** This Prayer and Cultural Education (PACE) opportunity is designed to familiarize team members with the evangelistic challenges in China. Through participation in work of the Covenant staff and visits to historic cultural centers, team members will learn how to participate more effectively.

The focus of the trip will be an English and computer training center in rural western China where team members will assist Covenant teachers in English classes to Chinese students and interact with students in a variety of ways. Visits to the most significant historical sites are designed to help team members understand their cultural heritage.

**DATES:** April 8-19, 2009

**GROUP TOTAL:** 15 women.

## **TEAM LEADERS:**

- Barbara Johnson, former teacher at the training center.
- Ruth Hill, executive minister of Women Ministries.

## **COST:**

- \$1500 (anticipated cost. Information will be updated in 2008).
- \$1500 (approximate) air fare to China.

## **TO APPLY:**

- Complete an application form from the Women Ministries office or the website: [www.covchurch.org/women](http://www.covchurch.org/women)
- Return application form with health statement and letter of recommendation from your WM Coordinator or Pastor if you are that leader.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:** February 6, 2009.

## **REQUIREMENTS FOR PARTICIPANTS:**

- Good health.
- Ability to walk at a normal pace for minimum of one hour or more
- Ability to climb stairs (The school is on the 4th floor and there are no elevators).
- Adventurous spirit that is able to adapt to less than ideal situations (travel, sanitation facilities, housing.)
- Adaptability and flexibility (schedules may change at a moment's notice.)
- Willingness to try new and different foods.
- Able to live out of one medium-sized suitcase.

## **TENTATIVE SCHEDULE:**

- April 8, 2009 (Thursday) Departure from Chicago to Beijing.
- April 9 (Friday) Arrival in Beijing.
- April 10 (Saturday) Departure for Xi'an and bus trip to the school.
- April 11 (Sunday) Experience the location of the school and meet students.
- April 12 (Monday) Participation in classes at the school.
- April 13 (Tuesday) Participation in classes at the school; tour Kong Tong Mountain.
- April 14 (Wednesday) Participation in classes at the school; departure for Xi'an.
- April 15 (Thursday) Visit Terra Cotta Soldiers, Wall and Drum Tower; shopping.
- April 16 (Friday) Departure for Beijing; visit Tiananmen Square and the Forbidden City.
- April 17 (Saturday) Visit Great Wall, Temple of Heaven and Pearl Market (shopping).
- April 18 (Sunday) Visit co-laborers in homes in 2 groups; Visit Summer Palace; Acrobat show.
- April 19 (Monday) Departure for airport.

## **Possible add on for those interested: April 19-22**

- April 19 (Monday) Fly to Taiyuan.
- April 20-21 Time with Project Missionaries.
- April 22 (Thursday) Return to Beijing, Depart for U.S.

