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Dear [Name],

I want to share a challenging ministry opportunity God has given me. On July 21, I will be departing on a mission trip to the Philippines for 9 days with a group from Lancaster Baptist Church. We will be going to minister to the people of that region and assist the missionaries in their efforts to share the Gospel and show the love of Christ.

I am considering this trip as not only an outreach to impact people for Christ, but also an opportunity for me to grow in my faith as a Christian. I am looking forward to the challenges that taking a step of faith will bring and also the rewards in spiritual growth. But it is the opportunity to serve others for our Lord Jesus Christ that really excites me and offers me the greatest joy. Our major areas of ministry will be:

Door to Door Soulwinning
Help in an orphanage
Conducting a Vacation Bible School
Conducting outreach services at local public high schools
Providing special music for the churches we will be visiting

Your help is needed! I would like to invite you to join our team in two critical areas. First, as with any work for God, we will need God's power. Please pray that we will touch lives for Christ and that He will grow our walk with Him.

Secondly, I would like to ask you to consider helping in a financial way. The total cost is \$2,350. Most of this is due on \_\_\_\_\_\_. My prayer is that this will be an investment that will affect countless lives for Christ.

**Required wording:** By making your gift payable to Lancaster Baptist Church (or West Coast Baptist College) for this mission trip, your gift will be considered a tax-deductible donation. As such, it is non-refundable in the event that I am unable to complete the trip for any reason. However, your donation would only be used for other missions-related purposes.

I value your friendship and prayer. If you have any questions about the trip, my e-mail is [myemail@server.com]. Thank you for considering supporting our team!

Sincerely, [Your Name]

PS – If you wish to help me with the cost of my trip, please send a check by (DATE) payable to (LBC or WCBC) with the following note on the memo line (NAME Mission Trip). Please mail to (LBC or WCBC), 4020 E Lancaster Blvd, Lancaster, CA 93535. (Envelope enclosed). We

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also have an online giving program. The links are  $\underline{\text{http://www.lancasterbaptist.org/give}}$  or  $\underline{\text{https://www.lancasterbaptist.org/teen-missions-trip}}$ . Thank you!