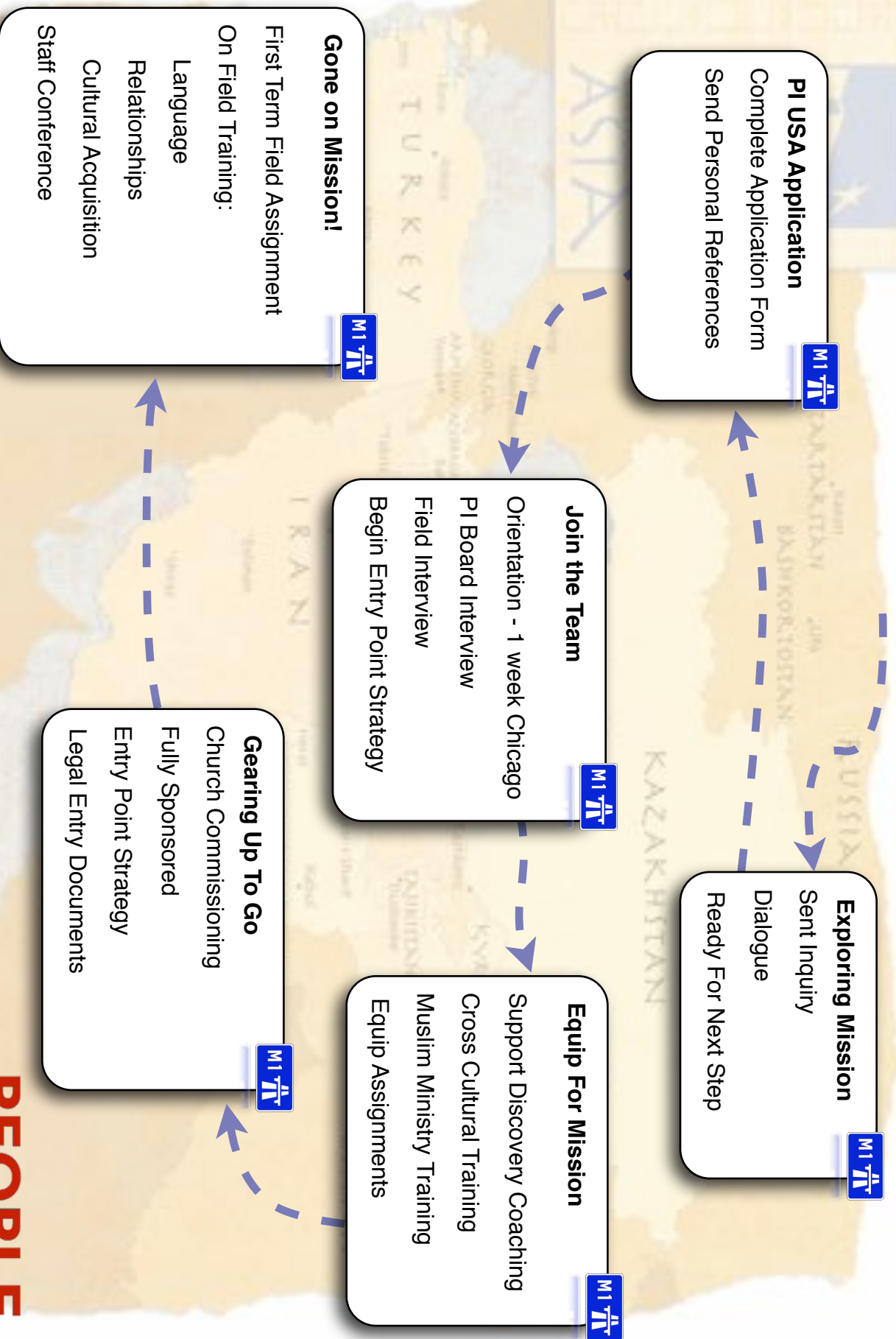


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## Loving People to Christ

### Exploring Mission - Timeframe approx. 1 month

This process is initiated by you. Send the inquiry form online: [www.gopeople.org/inquire](http://www.gopeople.org/inquire). Together we explore the opportunities to serve, join a team or to pioneer new work. After reviewing your inquiry and connecting with your church and field leadership you can proceed to the next step of the application process.

### Application Process - Timeframe approx. 1-3 months

Email the application and self-reference forms along with the \$40 application fee.

A standard psychological assessment is required. The intent is to help you discover tools for handling stress and team dynamics of cross-cultural ministry environment.

### Join the Team - Timeframe approx. 1-3 months

Orientation: a one week unit taking place three times a year in Chicago on the International Teams campus (A Partner Organization). Cost is \$600 per adult and childcare is optionally provided at an additional cost (minimal). Room and board included.

During orientation you will be interviewed by the US Director and a member of the PI USA Official Board.

Entry Point Strategy: begin the development of your ministry plan. How will you secure long term residency? What present dreams, abilities and skills fit into the mission of helping the selected people group to discover Jesus for who he is? This is a document you can begin working on right away and needs to include personal mission goals, project plans, detailed budget, emergency planning, etc.

Field Interview: one to two weeks of faith filled interaction and participation on the field. Gain vital insight into ministry, experience team dynamics and discover God's heart for you as you pray and seek direction for long term service.

### People International University Equip Program approx. 3-12 months

Working with People International among the people of Central Asia requires adequate preparation. The areas of required training include: Biblical understanding and applied ministry skills; Support Discovery - Inviting the Church to actively engage in the Great Commission; Cross-Cultural relationship and ministry training; Ministry in a Muslim context Training. You may have completed one or more areas prior to joining People International. This will affect the speed with which you complete the Equip Process.

Designate Your Personal Advocate: Prayerfully select a trusted individual or couple who can commit to supporting you by sharing your goals; connecting you with others who would be interested in supporting the vision; helping the church understand your needs on the field and when you return during furlough, etc. Neil Pirolo has written a book for this person entitled: "[Serving as Senders](#)"

#### SUPPORT DISCOVERY - PERSONAL MISSION

Kingdom Come Training - [www.kingdomcometraining.com](http://www.kingdomcometraining.com)  
Serving Missionaries with training to communicate the vision of fulfilling the Great Commission effectively. Over three weeks you meet for 1.5 hours a day - 4 days a week. Cost is \$550 per couple, \$350 for individual.  
(Deducted from your worker fund as you raise your support.)

Workers with People International USA contribute 8% of funds raised to the work of the home office. An additional £41 monthly per individual is contributed to the International Headquarters once your first term begins.

#### CROSS-CULTURAL MODULES

Perspectives on World Christian Movement

[www.perspectives.org](http://www.perspectives.org)

A 15 week class is offered in churches across the US and also as an intensive online course. The classroom environment is preferred if it is being offered in your area, (costs can be deducted from your newly established PI account as funds come in).

Missionary Training International (MTI) [www.mti.org](http://www.mti.org)

A three week cultural intensive to gear you up for long term effective cross-cultural mission living. Schedule to take this as close to your departure time as possible. (\$1700 per adult - see [mti.org](http://mti.org) for latest details.)

#### MUSLIM MINISTRY MODULES

Encountering the World of Islam [www.encounteringislam.org](http://www.encounteringislam.org)  
Related to Perspectives this is a 12 week course - check the online calendar for locations. Course is also offered online.

Common Grounds Consultation [www.comgro.org](http://www.comgro.org)

Building Bridges of Trust that Bear the Weight of Truth - a 3-5 day intensive with workers experienced with effective communication of the Gospel with Muslim friends. Schedules are not posted and invite is required to attend. Our office can connect you with the consultation team.

You are highly encouraged to take both Muslim Ministry Modules but have the option of choosing one, (costs can be deducted from your newly established PI account as funds come in).

#### Gearing Up to Go

Church Commissioning: Together with your pastor, a People International representative and your church family, this serves to be the launch point of your new Kingdom Initiative. (See Acts 13:2-3)

Fully Sponsored: now that you are 100% supported you are able to take the next faith filled step of GOING!

Entry Point Strategy: Present this finalized document prior to commissioning service.

Critical paperwork: Driver's license, health insurance card, passport, visa, work permit, any additional legal entry documents and a copy of all paperwork in a separate location.

#### Gone on a Mission!

Initial long-term assignment (first assignment length typically 2-3 years): a primary focus in the first term is language and cultural acquisition.

Staff Conference: Every two years PI personnel from around the world gather for a week of spiritual and emotional refreshment. We seek to kindle our vision, sharpen our skills and strategy, renew and build our relationships, and engage together in fervent prayer and worship.

Home Assignment (furlough): Upon completion of your first term, you will have an opportunity to debrief your overseas experience. This is an opportune time to invest in family, friends, home church, your support team.

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