



## Steps to Take to Determine if God has Called You to the Mission field:

(By Travis Snode, missionary to the UK)

1. Pray and read God's Word on a daily basis. God speaks to us and guides us through His Word. (Ps. 119:105)
2. Read everything you can get your hands on about missions, missionaries, and the needs of the world.
3. Get involved in the missions program of your local church through praying, giving, and soul-winning.
4. Go hear every missionary preacher that you can. God may use preaching to clarify His calling in your life.
5. Talk to your pastor. Letting him know how God is dealing with your heart and asking him to pray for you will help you and give you specific guidance.
6. Involve yourself in the ministries of your local church. The training and experience that you receive will be the foundation for a lifetime of service.
7. Go on a missions trip. There are many opportunities to do so through the Vision Tours. (Contact us if you are interested in taking a missions trip.)
8. Consider giving a year of volunteer service overseas before deciding whether you should offer the rest of your life. Vision Baptist Missions offers training for the field on the field. Through this program you can receive what is equivalent to a bachelors and masters in biblical studies.
9. Listen intently to the Holy Spirit and obey the Word of God. Robert Speer said, "There is something wonderfully misleading, full of hallucination and delusion in this business of missionary calls. With many of us it is not a missionary call at all that we are looking for; it is a shove. There are a great many of us who would never hear a call if it came."



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Missionary to India



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*You have one  
business on earth – to  
save souls.*

*– John Wesley*

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*Never pity  
missionaries; envy  
them. They are where  
the real action is --  
where life and death,  
sin and grace,  
Heaven and Hell  
converge.*

*– Robert C. Shannon*

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### Martyr's Oath

During the annual Emmanuel Ministries commencement service in India, thousands of graduates stood and repeated with Dr. Samuel Thomas a "martyr's oath," as a prerequisite to receiving their diplomas. The oath included these words:

"I commit to love my family, orphans, widows, lepers, the wealthy and the poor the way that Christ loved the church. I surrender this body on earth to the perfect will of Jesus and should my blood be spilled may it bring forth a mighty harvest of souls, I pledge alliance to the Lamb. I love my India and my fellow citizens and I claim India for Christ."