

Here is an example of a prayer/fundraising letter that you could use. Make sure to personalize it. Watch for the areas that are **Red-bolded and in italics**, as these areas need to be filled in by you.)

Date

Dear **(name of recipient)**

I am writing to you to share with you my plans for this summer.

I have been seeking God for what He wants me to do next. **(Explain a little of what the Lord has been saying to you about being a part of Street Invaders this summer, how you came to that conclusion, and why you feel it would be beneficial for you to be a part of it.)**

For those of you who don't know what Street Invaders is, I will briefly explain it. It is a 3-week summer missions program for teenagers. The philosophy of the program is 'discipleship through evangelism'.

The program starts with a week of training called Boot Camp, where we are taught in the scriptures about discipleship, evangelism, character development, our gifts, worldviews, creative arts, worship and many other areas. During the first few days, we are placed on teams, and from that point onward, we work on outreaches, team dynamics, and getting to know each other. The training finishes with a commissioning service on the Friday evening.

After Boot Camp, we are sent out for 2 weeks to do missions work with a church in Canada or overseas. **(Note – you need to specify whether you are doing a national or international program here)** Some of the things we would be involved in are helping the poor, doing evangelism on the streets and in many different places, helping churches in their communities, and working with children and teenagers, etc. The program finishes at the end of the 2 weeks of mission, with all of the teams coming back together for a final service. (For more information about Street Invaders, please see their website at www.streetinvaders.ca)

After praying, I said yes to the Lord regarding Street Invaders. I have had it confirmed by other people that this is where the Lord would want me. In faith, I am stepping out of my comfort zone and into this opportunity, clinging only to the idea that I'm doing this for the Lord and that He will provide for me.

The Street Invaders program that I am applying for starts **(put date here)** and finishes **(put date here)** and the training is in **(put location here)**. I am writing you today for 2 reasons. Firstly, I would love it if you would cover me in your prayers during this time, asking for protection and provision. Also, if God places it on your heart to give a financial donation towards this mission trip, then that would also be greatly appreciated.

The total amount of funds that I need for this mission is *(put amount here. Note: it is important that you explain how much money you have now towards the program, how much you presently have, and what other types of things you are doing/going to do to raise funds: i. e. – collecting bottles, part-time work, cleaning windows, etc. You will find that people are more likely to support you if they think that you are showing initiative.)*

If you would like to make a donation and don't need a charitable donation receipt, please make your cheque out to 'Street Invaders'. If you would like a charitable donation receipt, you can send your donation through my church *(Note: you need to confirm with your church in order for people to do this. Ask your Youth Pastor/Senior Pastor first before telling people about donations through your church. If they are in agreement with this, then fill in the blanks for the next line)*. If you would like a charitable donation receipt for your donation, please make your cheque out to *(name of your church)*, attach a note to say that it is for my support for my mission on Street Invaders, and send it to the address given below.

Your giving and prayers are much appreciated. At the end of the mission, I will send you a report explaining all of the great things that the Lord has done.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter, I really wanted to share what God has been doing in me these past couple of months and share what's on my heart. I'm getting excited about this opportunity and the passion God has put in my heart. God bless you and thank you again for taking the time to read this.

Sincerely

(Your name here – Type it out and sign above it)

(Put your home address here with your phone number and email)

(Put your church's address here with their phone number and email if they have agreed to give charitable donation receipts for you)

(Put the Street Invaders address, phone number, email and website)