What is PAIS?

PAIS is an organization committed to *"missionaries making missionaries"* in local church, the local schools, and the local community.

They fulfill this mission by offering young people from different parts of the world a free opportunity to travel to another nation to receive training in Bible study, missions, and discipleship.

Teams of 3-5 apprentices get connected to a local church with a youth program and sent into local high schools on mission.

PAIS has a proven track record of getting into high schools around the world to serve in various ways, without hiding the fact that they are a faith based organization.

They approach public schools with complete disclosure of being faith-based, provide the school administration of the protocol they require from all their team members while inside a school, and offer to help serve the school in anyway the school may see fit.

The results of such offers have been lunch clubs, sport programs, even serving in classrooms as unofficial teacher's assistants, etc.

Through simply having a presence in the high schools, as young adults from another country, they inevitably get attention and develop relationships with students.

Outside the school they end up mentoring teenagers, inviting them to their local church's youth program, studying the Bible together, and much more.

Essentially they are missionaries inside local high schools.

The stories from around the world about how God is using the work of PAIS is amazing. Many youth are being saved and discipled.

The PAIS team members go through a rigorous screening process before being accepted to the program as apprentices, that involve an in depth application form, an interview with the PAIS organization associated with their home nation, then an interview with PAIS Global, then an interview with the PAIS organization in their placement nation, and then an interview with the local church their team plans to partner with. Only around 1 in 5 applicants make it through the entire rigorous application process.

At the front end of their year with PAIS the accepted apprentices do 2 weeks of intensive training to prepare them for the mission ahead.

As the year progresses, while on mission in their placement high school & church, the PAIS apprentices receive ongoing training from their team leader and through a weekly podcast from the organizations founder, Paul Gibbs.

The mission of PAIS is to make missionaries who reach young people to recruit / make more missionaries, who will reach more young people to recruit / make more missionaries, etc.

The average work week for a PAIS apprentice is 40-50 hours per week spent between their work in the schools, work in the local church, and ongoing training.

What is required to host a PAIS team?

For the work of PAIS to continue reaching young people around the world, they need partnerships with local churches, who will provide a community for recently saved youth to connect.

The other thing required from a local church to host a PAIS team is \$4,000 (USD) per apprentice, a host home for each apprentice, and vehicle with gas allowance for the team to use.

The money goes toward travel expenses and training for the apprentices, who are offered this training / experience free of charge.

The host homes are responsible to provide the apprentice with a bed (preferably in their own room) and three meals per day.

The vehicle provided is obviously for transportation of the team as they go about their week.

Why should LifeTree Church partner with PAIS?

We at LifeTree Church are very excited about hosting a PAIS team for the coming school year, and hope to develop an ongoing partnership with them for years to come. We are believing for God to reach many people in our community through this partnership. In our newly developing relationship with people from within the PAIS organization and ongoing exploration of the writings and training they have produced, we are also finding within us a great expectation of how culture, tools, and traits of this organization could have a profound impact our church culture and the fulfillment of the mission God has called all of us into.

Want to help or get more info?

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