Dear [leave blank to hand write names or use "family & friends,"]

This Spring Break I have the privilege to travel to the Dominican Republic to serve with my youth group! My team and I will be partnering with TIME Missions out of Santo Domingo. We get to bless two local pastors with new chapels for their congregations as well as participating in various ministry opportunities like sports outreach and vacation Bible School. During our time we will be showing God's love in practical ways, learning about God's heart for the nations, as well as the culture. This is an opportunity to answer God's call by sharing with those in need and sharing the Good News.

[Note: Students, share why you are wanting to go on this trip. Use this portion of the letter to personalize this to you!]

This trip provides an opportunity to meet the physical and spiritual needs of a community that is desperately in need. More than anything, I would value your prayers for our team and those whose lives will be touched by God through us. I believe that God answers prayers. I am asking you to pray for safety, willingness to step outside of our comfort zone, flexibility, and that we get beyond ourselves to let God do His work through us. Please consider being a part of my prayer team as we will be sending updates prior and post trip.

We are working hard on fundraising efforts to get our whole team fully fundraised. **The cost for me to go on this trip is \$2,400**. I'm reaching out to those close to me hoping to raise some of this expense.

Thank you for being a part of my life!



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Address your email to **mfalardeau@fbcsalem.org** with "DR Team Online Giving". Blessings,

[your name here]