



## How to Make an Announcement at Mass

This can be nerve wracking but it's an important part of your mission trip! Here are some tips to make it easier:

1. Breathe. Slow, steady breaths. You can do this.
2. Speak slowly. Everyone speaks a lot faster than they know. Slow down!
3. Smile. This is probably the most important!
4. Be personal. Tell why you want to take this trip. Show people how much this means to you!

Here is a sample script that you can use:

Hi everyone! My name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I wanted to talk to you for a quick minute. I have decided to take the big step of going on a mission trip and this summer I will be joining a group in Cameroon, Africa.

Part of going on mission is being sent by your community and then returning to your community and sharing the experience. This community has meant a lot to me over the years and so I wanted to include you in my experience.

I am asking you to help me raise \$2800 which will offset the cost of this trip and provide the needed supplies. Catholic Mission Trips Inc is a not-for-profit group and all donations are tax deductible.

Give details here:

- Make checks out to Catholic Mission Trips, Inc
- I will be in the back of the church, etc
- Close by thanking them!

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