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Foreign Trips: The name you use MUST EXACTLY MATCH the name on your passport.
Domestic Trips: The name you use MUST EXACTLY MATCH the name on your driver's license.

Name:

Passport #:

Expiration Date:

Driver's License #:

State:

Expiration Date:

Trip you are applying for:

Home Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Male Female Date of Birth:

Phone Contact Information

Home:

Cell:

Work:

Email:

Occupation / Employer

List any carpentry or construction skill or experience:

List any artistic, musical, spiritual, foreign language, teaching gifts that you might contribute to the team:

List other trips or similar efforts you have participated in:

What do you hope to contribute to the team? What do you hope to gain from the trip?

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Medical Profile

Do you have any problems taking preventative medicines such as anti-malarials, or immunizations commonly recommended for travel in some parts of the world?

Yes No If you checked Yes, please explain:

Do you usually experience good health? Yes No

If you checked No, please explain:

Allergies to medications? Yes No Please Explain:

General allergies:

Blood type:

List any current medications and medical conditions that would restrict or limit your participation:

Spiritual Profile

Church affiliation (if other than Christ Church United Methodist):

Pastor/Church Leader:

Address:

Telephone:

What are your reasons to join this mission team or project?

What is God calling you to do in service?

Permission (including the applicant under age 18)

- Expenses are based on best estimates and are subject to change.
- In the event of political unrest, or natural disaster, Christ Church United Methodist reserves the right to cancel the mission trip or project.
- Team members, leaders, and staff strictly adhere to expected standards and policies and are subject to dismissal without refund or reimbursement.
- Team members, leaders and staff serve at their own risk and Christ Church United Methodist is not liable in the event of illness, accident, death, or terrorist acts, or for transportation or any other expenses beyond that of normal involvement.
- All donations received by Christ Church United Methodist go towards tax exempt mission expenses. Money cannot be refunded.
- Team members, leaders & staff agree to participate in fundraising and promotional activities, as needed.

Signed:

Date:

Parent/Guardian Signature:

Date:

(If applicant is under age 18)

Note: The team leader will retain in his/her possession these medical forms for the purpose of sharing information to licensed professionals should a medical emergency arise.

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Name (as shown on medical insurance):

Address:

City: State: Zip:

Birth Date: Age:

Permission (including the applicant under age 18)

I do hereby verify that the below information is correct and I do hereby grant permission for the church to obtain medical attention in case of sickness or injury.

I hereby grant permission for an attending physician or hospital to perform whatever care deemed necessary by the church for my welfare should I be unable to make reasonable and sound decisions for myself.

RELEASE AND WAIVER. I HEREBY RELEASE, ABSOLVE, INDEMNIFY, HOLD HARMLESS, AND FOREVER DISCHARGE THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, CHRIST CHURCH UNITED METHODIST AND THEIR RESPECTIVE STAFFS, TRUSTEES, MEMBERS, ORGANIZERS, SPONSORS, AND SUPERVISORS (COLLECTIVELY, THE "CHURCH") FROM ANY AND ALL CLAIMS, DEMANDS, ACTIONS OR CAUSE OF ACTIONS, PAST, PRESENT, OR FUTURE ARISING OUT OF INJURY OR DAMAGE INCURRED BY PARTICIPANT WHILE PARTICIPATING ON THIS TRIP. I FURTHER WAIVE ANY RIGHT I MAY HAVE WITH RESPECT TO THE CLAIMS OR DEMANDS FROM WHICH THE CHURCH IS HEREWITH RELEASED AND ANY RIGHT TO FILE ANY CHARGE OR COMPLAINT AGAINST THE CHURCH WITH RESPECT THERETO.

ASSUMPTION OF RISK. I ASSUME ALL RISKS AND HAZARDS INCIDENTAL TO THE CONDUCT OF THE ACTIVITIES AND TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM THE AREA. IN CASE OF INJURY TO ME, I HEREBY WAIVE ALL CLAIMS AGAINST THE CHURCH. I LIKewise I RELEASE FROM RESPONSIBILITY ANY PERSON TRANSPORTING ME TO AND FROM THE ACTIVITIES.

Signed:

Date:

Parent/Guardian Signature:
(If applicant is under age 18)

Date:

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Medical and Insurance Information

Medical Insurance Carrier:

Policy Number:

Family Physician:

Telephone:

Email:

Have you ever been treated or seen by a physician for (check applicable boxes and explain below)?

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|---|---------------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> None | <input type="checkbox"/> Allergies | <input type="checkbox"/> Asthma |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bronchitis | <input type="checkbox"/> Chest Pain | <input type="checkbox"/> Diabetes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dizziness | <input type="checkbox"/> EENT Disease | <input type="checkbox"/> Emotional Problems |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Heart trouble | <input type="checkbox"/> Hernia | <input type="checkbox"/> High Blood Pressure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Kidney trouble | <input type="checkbox"/> Sinusitis | <input type="checkbox"/> Stomach Upset |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stroke | <input type="checkbox"/> Ulcer | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (explain below) |

Immunizations:

Tetanus

Typhoid

Date Received:

Date Received:

Other:

List any prescription drugs you will be taking while on the trip; state the purpose, frequency, and dosage for each:

Emergency Notification

Relative or Friend:

Telephone:

Email:

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Mission Trip - Team Covenant (page 5 of 6)

Attention Team Members!

Carefully read the following list of principles and expectations, and discuss them with the team leader and other team members for full understanding. If you are willing to make a commitment to this mission trip or project, sign the covenant as a pledge of your commitment.

While participating in this mission trip or project, I will seek to demonstrate my love for Christ and others by agreeing to

1. **Keep myself healthy.** I will refrain from activities that may be considered inappropriate (e.g., tobacco products, alcohol, gambling).
2. **Maintain a safe environment for my fellow team members.** I agree not to have possession of or use firearms or illegal drugs.
3. **Familiarize myself with the local culture.** I will learn about and respect all customs, cultures and traditions; act in deference to such customs, cultures and traditions, which includes action or dress that will not be offensive to the people of the region to which I am traveling.
4. **Work to the best of my ability.** I am excited about demonstrating my love for Christ by ministering and working hard for the duration of this mission trip or project.
5. **Support the mission team leadership.** I will attend and participate in all meetings and activities in preparation for the trip, during the trip and after the trip.
6. **Follow the mission trip or project schedule.** I understand that I must remain flexible because schedules often change. I also understand that any schedule changes must be made by or approved by the team leader or our hosts. In respect to others and myself, I will respect the lights out time each night.
7. **Follow the Safe Sanctuary Guidelines.** I will follow these rules (page 5 attached) when working with anyone under 18 years of age.
8. **Stay in the designated mission trip area.** I agree to stay with the team at all times. I will travel with the mission team to and from the site. I understand that I cannot leave the ministry site or lodging areas without permission from the team leader. Girls should not be in the boys designated area nor should boys be in the designated areas for girls.
9. **Respect others.** I will respect the views and feelings of the other mission team members and those of the host community. I understand that the possessions of others must not be tampered with or taken. I expect others to grant the same measure of respect to my privacy and possessions.
10. **Maintain a clean environment.** I will do my best to keep all areas of the church, work location, and lodging areas clean and free of litter. I will respect the property and grounds serving as my home away from home. I understand that any property damage caused by me will be my responsibility.
11. **Demonstrate a Christ-like spirit.** My attitude will be like that of Jesus (Phil. 2:5). I will love those with whom I work and those around me throughout the mission trip or project. I will be a true servant of Jesus Christ, His church and Christ Church United Methodist.
12. **Be aware of my witness 24 hours a day.** I understand my attitude at restaurants, at my lodging site, or during free time is just as important as when I am “doing my mission assignment.” I will serve with this maxim in mind: “Do no harm and avoid even the appearance of evil.”
13. **Share my faith.** I will come prepared to share my personal testimony and faith with others. When I return from the mission trip, I will share my experiences with my church family, as well as those in my circle of influence.

I have read and understood these principles and expectations for the mission trip or project and agree to follow them. I understand that if I fail to abide by this covenant, I may be immediately returned to The Woodlands, TX at my own expense and that I will reimburse Christ Church United Methodist the full cost of my trip over and above the portion paid by me.

Signed:

Date:

Parent/Guardian Signature:
(If applicant is under age 18)

Date:

Mission Trip – Safe Sanctuary Guidelines (page 6 of 6)

1. The “Two-Adult Rule” will apply throughout our mission trip, from our gathering at Christ Church until we return. The definition of “youth” for the guidelines purposes is a young person under 18 years of age. One adult will not be alone with a youth or group of youth during the mission. For small group activities where one adult supervises one group, two or more groups may meet in an open space in sight and sound of each other. This meets the “Two-Adult” rule criteria.
2. The “Four-Years-Older Rule” will apply throughout our mission trip. Adults supervising youth will be at least four years older than the oldest youth. When college-age persons are participating in a mission with youth, they will be paired with another adult when they are with youth.
3. Adults and youth will not share motel/hotel rooms unless the adult is a parent of the youth with whom they share the room. Use of dorm rooms with a combination of youth and adults is acceptable when all persons sharing the room are of the same gender.
4. There will be separate sleeping areas for males and for females throughout our mission trip when youth are team members.
5. Shower times will be scheduled separately for youth and for adults in order to prevent adults and youth showering together in facilities with open shower areas.
6. The adult/youth ratio throughout our mission trip will be at least 1 adult to 3 for Junior High youth and 1 to 5 for Senior High youth. The two-adult rule still applies.
7. When a mission team has both male and female youth members, there must be both male and female adults accompanying the youth on the team.
8. During each mission trip, there will be at least two adults at each work site. This is to assure safety in case of an accident. Youth teams should never be left alone at a work site.
9. All Adult team members of student mission teams must be “Safe Sanctuary” certified through the conference certification process. This includes background checks, references and application, and the Safe Sanctuary training through the conference, district and local church training.
10. All youth must have a medical release form and signed parent permission to be on the mission team.
11. For all mission teams, the team leader will secure supplemental accident insurance for each team member.
12. **No youth mission team member will be allowed to be alone with an adult from the host mission during the mission.** This includes host pastors, congregation members, homeowners, clients of mission agencies, etc. Likewise, an adult mission team member is not to be alone with a youth from the host mission.
13. Written parental authorization can override the above listed rules. For example, a parent can give permission for a certain youth to ride a specified distance with a specified adult when traveling.
14. All male and female adult team members need to have a “buddy” system at the site at all times. It is critical that we leave no team member alone to protect them from harm. We must have a “witness” to protect the team members from rumors, false accusations and any physical harm.