



TEAM GUIDE

MISSION

Experience

Encounter

Encourage

RETURN: Home you go...

- **Pray:** Please continue to pray for the work, the contacts that were made and for the missionaries.
- **Contact:** Keep in touch with your fellow team members and pray for each other.
- **Consider:** Pray about joining another Mission Team again the following year and how you can encourage others to be involved in Mission also.
- **Report:** Ask your local church or youth leader for an opportunity to share about your Mission trip.
- **Feedback:** PLEASE send GLO Admin some key photos of the Mission/ its activities and your team in action!



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GLO Mission Teams are looking for people with a personal faith in Jesus Christ. People who have a desire to serve Him and share their faith with others in order to see others saved and grow in their own personal relationship with Jesus. Everyday we are God's representatives and equally so during a mission team. Therefore we need to consider our responsibilities and what is expected of us as we live for Him and serve Him in Mission. Please follow these simple guidelines of how best to; **PREPARE, SERVE and RETURN**, to make your GLO Mission Team a great and worthwhile experience.

Your *Mission* experience



PREPARE: Before you go...

1. **Pray:** Spend time with God in prayer before the team starts. If possible, raise prayer support with family, friends and your church also and ask them to continue praying for you as you go on the team.
2. **Acquaint yourself** with the local customs and culture of the country you will be visiting and please be aware of what is expected of you in terms of dress and behaviour in order to avoid offence.
3. **Learn** a few helpful, polite phrases to help build new relationships
4. Please read and follow the '**General Notes**' found on the Website or on the back of the official Application Form.
5. Consider contacting **fellow team members** (details from the GLO admin office).
6. **Contact the team leader** – they may wish for you to bring resources to help in outreach or prepare for special events. Gather possible dramas, quizzes, games, activities etc that could be used.
7. Think about your '**personal testimony**' (for example - how you became a Christian/ What Christ means to you / What He is doing or how is He guiding you in your own life today etc) as you will have the opportunity to share your faith with others.

CHECKLIST

Please ensure you take...



- ✓ Passport
- ✓ Travel Tickets.
- ✓ Personal Travel Insurance.
- ✓ Personal belongings (Including practical clothing & footwear, towels & toiletries, sleeping bag or sheet).
- ✓ Bible & notebook.
- ✓ Location sheet with leaders contact details!
- ✓ Team Payment (indicated on Location sheet) plus your own spending money.

SERVE: Off you go...

As Servants –

- Respect other team members.
- Have a willing, humble and co-operative spirit, living and working together as part of a team.
- Have a flexible and positive attitude.
- Acknowledge that the team leader has ultimate responsibility for you. Please be willing to work under his leadership, supervision and his direction, to accept his decision and seek approval for any activities outside the official organised programme.

As Ambassadors –

- For GLO and all it represents as a vehicle for spreading the Gospel.
- For the resident missionaries and local church who will still be in place after the team has gone. It is all too easy to undo years of faithful work in two weeks by selfish or thoughtless actions. In this regard, exclusive friendships with members of the opposite sex are not encouraged during vacation teams.
- Most importantly for the Lord Himself – your attitude towards fellow team members and those you are hoping to reach should be that of Christ.

As Guests –

- Respect your hosts and help out wherever you can. Don't over react to unfamiliar food or drink offered during the team. It has been graciously prepared so be sensitive and thankful.
- Respect the accommodation and property of the hosts and fellow team members.