

BRAZIL MISSION TRIP PLEDGE

Financial Responsibilities

All checks should be payable to “VFC” or “Volunteers For Christ” and not made out in your name. If this is a Christ Chapel Bible Church sponsored trip, then checks will be made payable to “CCBC” and routed through the Church. You will fund your trip by either raising support or, if necessary, paying for the trip out of your personal finances if you do not raise all of your support.

Gifts to VFC/CCBC become the sole property of VFC/CCBC. A gift to VFC/CCBC is a charitable contribution for federal income tax purposes to the extent permitted by law. Tax-deductible gifts cannot be refunded. In the event you do not participate in the trip, gifts to VFC/CCBC will go to support the trip and remain with the ministry.

The total monetary commitment for this trip is \$2,100.00 *per person*. Although each team member will be encouraged to seek financial support from friends and family, each individual is ultimately responsible for his or her own trip costs. In other words, if there is a shortfall in the support you are required to raise, you must be prepared to make up the difference. By way of example, if you only raise \$1,700.00 for the mission trip, you will be asked to write a check to VFC (or CCBC) for the \$400.00 shortfall. Additionally, if some team members raise more than is required, their overage will not necessarily be applied to any other team member's shortfall. While we are raising funds as a team, VFC's ministry is primarily funded from the excess funds raised through its mission trips, so we depend on these overages to make our annual budgets, buy food/materials, perform much needed maintenance, and fund new projects.

You should also know VFC USA has no paid employees and it is completely run by volunteers. Unlike most mission organizations, we do not add on any percentage to the cost of these trips to cover our trip leaders. Like you, they are required to raise their own support and cover any shortfalls for the cost of their trips. In other words, we are not asking you to pay our way or do anything that we do not ask of our own leaders and officers.

Cancellation Procedure

Please note that on rare occasions mission trips must be cancelled due to some unforeseeable incident, such as unrest in the country. VFC does not have “extra” funds to cover these costs and cannot reimburse money for the trip expenses. Each person who commits to and prepares for a mission trip must be willing to accept this risk. If you must withdraw from the trip, you must submit a letter in writing to VFC stating the reason you will not be able to go, as well as a letter to supporters informing them you will not be going on the trip and that your support will go toward supporting VFC's ministry. Also, you must pay the difference between the cost of the airline ticket and other associated costs of the trip and the amount of support raised. The plane ticket will be retained by VFC for future use, if possible. Other expenses incurred in preparation for the trip (ie, immunizations, visas, etc.) will not be reimbursed.

Expectation and Participation

- Attend all training sessions with the team before the trip
- Raise your prayer and financial support
- Commit to:
 - Pray before, during, and after the trip
 - Submit to authority of leader(s)
 - Unity of the team
 - Preparation for the trip
 - Have a flexible, servant attitude

By signing this contract, I am indicating that I would like to participate in a VFC mission trip and I plan to obtain the funds necessary to do so. Also, I will maintain an open heart, mind, and a servant's attitude during the preparation for the trip, as well as in Brazil.

Signature: _____

*If parent is signing on behalf of minor child, please print son/
daughter's name below:

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____