



**FAITH MISSION INTERNATIONAL, DEL RIO TX**  
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A MINISTRY OF **PASSION** AND **COMPASSION**

A MINISTRY OF **VISION**

A MINISTRY WITH GOD'S **MISSION** IN THE FOREFRONT

# **VISITING GROUP**

**INFORMATION, PREPARATION, AND FORM PACKAGE**

## *Welcome To Faith Mission - How to Contact Us*

We are excited about your initial plans to come and be a part of the ministry at Faith Mission International. We know you will have the opportunity to see God work in your lives and those to whom you minister to.

### **What Can You Expect at Faith Mission?**

Our desire is that your visit to Faith Mission be a positive, life-changing experience; one that encourages spiritual development and expands your heart and vision for missions.

Through teaching, the examples of others, and your experiences here and in the streets and homes of Acuna Mexico, we pray each one will find a new level of reality in their relationship with God. We value an atmosphere where people are free to be honest—with themselves, with others, and most importantly, with God. Through times of ministry, serving, worship and fellowship, our desire is to help others find their place in God's work, wherever that may be.

Faith Mission provides an opportunity to meet and minister to people in an underdeveloped country while having secure, safe, and healthy accommodations without great expense.

### **The Ministry Team and Staff**

**Allen & Charlene Ehlers – Directors of Faith Mission:** Allen and Charlene have dedicated almost their entire lives to the work of the ministry for the last 42 years to the people of Mexico, specifically to the city of Acuna Mexico. Allen and Charlene have not only been involved in mission work to Mexico, but have traveled extensively to many churches throughout the United States. Their travels have allowed them to bring a message of direction to many church leaders and their people. As well, they have traveled to many other countries to bring the word of the Lord. Allen and Charlene bring a prophetic word that speaks into the lives of others, and brings about a restoration of lives and ministries back towards the Lord.

**Timothy and Rosa Ehlers – Mexican Ministry Oversight:** Timothy and Rosa have been actively a part of Faith mission ministries for the last 17 years. Tim and Rosa are directly involved in various outreaches to the people of Mexico, as well as providing ministry opportunities to the American groups that come to Faith Mission on short term missions. Their vision is to see the city of Acuna reached with the gospel, to win souls, make disciples, plant works, and to go into all of Mexico and other Hispanic countries with the gospel. (As of June 19, 2008, Tim and Rosa are on a year long missionary furlough in Ohio, with a possible option of two years. Patrick and Sandra Schmeling have the current oversight of the works in Acuna)

**Patrick and Sandra Schmeling:** Patrick brings a variety of ministerial experience, as well as a background of many years in the credit card banking business. Currently, Patrick and Sandra are serving various Pastors and ministers in the Acuna area and ranches, to bring vision with direction, passion with purpose, and the practical application of ministry in a New Testament fashion that will ensure the continued growth of the kingdom of God in people, their churches and ministries and in the Mexico.

## **Preparation for your Mission Trip**

We believe that it is crucial that you begin meeting with your group as soon as possible, and that you meet faithfully to plan for your trip. There are many things to consider and prepare for. Your preparation will allow you and your group to give greater focus and energy to the purpose by which God is bringing you here. Here are some “helps” in things to be considered and discussed as leaders and with the group.

### **What are the expenses?**

#### **A. Expenses**

**Food/Lodging – A suggested donation of \$25.00 per person per nights stay is requested (Beginning January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009, this cost will increase to \$35.00 per individual due to rising costs).** This includes air conditioned dorms with bunk beds and covers three meals a day. As the \$25.00 does not cover all expenses, we trust the sponsoring church will supply an additional offering to help with the other areas of the ministry

1. **Border Crossing Fees** – Currently (as of 06/08), the cost to cross both bridges for a car / van is \$4.75 (\$2.50 into MX, and \$2.25 returning to Del Rio). For a bus it is \$16.00 roundtrip, but we cannot guarantee you being able to get into Mexico if you bring a bus.
2. **Offerings for Interpreters** – At this time, Faith Mission does not guarantee or offer interpreters for groups. However, should the possibility arise for one to be available, work with the Faith Mission Leadership on an offering to be given. We would suggest \$10.00/day offering.
3. **Offerings for local Mexican pastors / churches** – If an offering is desired to be given to one of the local Pastors / churches, please meet with the Faith Mission Director or Administrator on your offering.
4. **Personal Shopping in Acuna Mexico** – It is up to each individual on the amount they wish to spend on personal shopping in Mexico if your group has made plans for this.

#### **B. TRAVEL / Transportation While Your Here**

Typically, groups use (12) twelve-passenger vans to travel between Faith Mission Del Rio and Mexico. Important: **Vehicles larger than 15 passenger vans (buses – school type buses) may be denied entry into Mexico. We cannot guarantee your access into Acuna if you bring a bus or the like.**

**Local Van Rentals / Mexican Insurance**– We suggest you make your reservations at least a month or two in advance, and then a few days before your arrival, confirm with the rental company that they will have your vehicles ready.

1. \$89.00 / Day or a weekly rate of \$500.00
2. To obtain insurance while over in Mexico, being within 25 miles of the interior (which you will be) is an additional \$29.95 per day per vehicle.
3. Mileage rate should not be an issue.
4. Add additional 10% Texas state tax rate
5. Optional – Damage waiver coverage – \$16.99 / day

6. They ask that you try to book a month in advance
7. Their toll free # is 1-800-325-8007, or you may call direct to their office in Del Rio at 830-774-2527.
8. You may call **Arreleo's Insurance Agency** in Del Rio to obtain info on insurance for your vehicles. Very good rates. 1-830-775-3252 or 1-830-768-2358
9. Another van rental possibility out of San Antonio is **CAPPS**. You may contact them at 210-822-8655 or 210-921-6119

There is the possible option of a church bus in Mexico being utilized for your group. You will need to contact us ahead of time while planning your trip, so we will be able to check on any possible availability. An offering is suggested to cover the cost of gas and those helping to drive your group around. This bus can carry 35 people. The suggested offering for using this church van to cover expenses is \$100.00 per day plus gas and bridge fare.

### **C. MINISTRY PREPERATION!**

Spiritual preparation for ministry is an important aspect of your trip. We believe God has a purpose for each person, as well as for the Mexican people you will be ministering to. To make the most of your time and ministry, group preparation and planning is the key. You can use several creative ways to minister and present a message. Keep in mind you will have an opportunity to go to Mexico at least once a day for several hours (or more if the group desires). Having a variety of ministry options will allow you to more versatile and active with the people. Below are some ideas to consider and pray about as you plan.

1. **Drama's** – Dramas are a powerful tool to evangelize and minister to the Mexican people. We see some of the biggest responses as a result of dramas. We would like to provide you with some things to think about if you are choosing dramas as one of your tools of ministry.
  - a. **Consider your Mexican audience and culture.** Dramas that relate to American youth culture may not communicate across to the Mexican people, especially youth.
  - b. **Avoid themes of violence.**
  - c. **Focus on evangelism**
  - d. **Bring your own music** (ie: cassette / CD players – Be sure to bring sufficient batteries).
  - e. **Consider the hot weather** when planning costumes. Also, if drama is in a church or house cell group, you need to consider your space for props and area for movement will be typically very small.
  - f. **We can help you** by contacting us ahead of time and letting us know your intended audience. We will do all we can to place you in ideal areas based on your drama ministry.
  - g. **We would like to see** more groups come prepared to not only minister, but to come prepared to actually work with and train the Mexican youth or any others in the churches on how to do drama's, puppets, or any other type of evangelistic outreach. As well, maybe the group leadership can meet with the local Pastors and speak to them about vision, body ministry, evangelism, discipleship and leader preparation.

2. **Music** – Music is another powerful tool of ministry. You will have opportunities to share your music ministry in the churches in praise and worship or during your drama. Here are some things to consider if you are preparing music ministry.
  - a. **Bring your own player** and batteries for backup.
  - b. **Come prepared with as many Spanish songs as possible.** Some resources for Spanish praise and worship are; Hispanic churches in your area, websites, or your local Christian bookstore.
  - c. **Avoid extreme English music.** Heavy rock and rap are not the preferences of choice in their culture.
  - d. **Feel free to minister in other ways during praise and worship** – If your group would like to pray for people during or after a time of praise and worship, let your interpreter know so the Pastor can be informed and provide opportunity for your ministry. Communication is key!!
  
3. **Puppets / Clowns** – These are another creative way to communicate the gospel, especially to children, though adults enjoy them as well. Puppets or clowns work well in the streets and for VBS (Vacation Bible School) type outreaches. If you are planning this area, here are some tips to discuss with your group.
  - a. **Consider your intended audience(s)** and tailor your presentations to that age group
  - b. **Decide on your focus of ministry**, i.e., evangelism, teaching, applicable life message, etc...
  - c. **Discuss on how to incorporate** this in the streets and neighborhoods
  - d. **Language barrier.** Consider the need for interpreters in all aspects of your ministry to communicate effectively.
  - e. **Keep in mind possible weather (hot)** in your costumes or face painting.
  - f. **Do you need a puppet stage?** If needed, you will need to improvise based on the need.
  
4. **Bible Tracts, Testimonies, and Invitations** – To maximize this long used ministry method, here are a few things to discuss with your group regarding handing our written materials.
  - a. **Materials need to in Spanish**
  - b. **Materials should be simple and to the point.** The average education level is at about the 6<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> grade level.
  - c. **Personal testimonies written in Spanish** and handed out can be very powerful.
  - d. **Resources available.** Several websites offer materials. One resource is “Seein Vases”. You can visit their website at [www.seeinvases.com](http://www.seeinvases.com)
  
5. **Vacation Bible School** –Children and youth make up the largest portion of the Mexican population, so ministry designed to reach these ages groups would be extremely helpful and powerful. These gatherings present a great opportunity for them to hear the good news of the gospel, and to receive some practical teachings and help on how to follow up in the faith.

- a. **Decide the age level** you plan to target and minister to. You may want to prepare separate VBS's (Vacation Bible School) for children and youth.
  - b. **Consider the type of ministry tools**, materials, and methods in this ministry outreach.
  - c. **Consider to offer the program in one location** for an extended period of time during your stay. This will allow for more effective ministry for word to spread throughout the week..
  - d. **Keep in mind their culture, lifestyle, and needs.**
  - e. **Discuss if your message** will be more evangelistic or teaching to prepare those who are saved.
  - f. **Build excitement and expectation each day.** Create a desire for those who come to return, and most importantly, to invite friends, family and neighbors.
- 6. House to House** – While being in Acuna, you will have an opportunity to visit some homes. It is not only a time to get a first hand look at the typical home and living conditions, but also an opportunity to minister in a very personal way. As you plan to visit some homes, here some things to think about.
- a. **Don't just be an observer.**
  - b. **Don't feel the need to rush in and out of homes.** It's not the number of homes, but rather the quality of ministry you will be able to provide.
  - c. **Split the group** up as much as possible with what interpreters you have, but be sure to check and get permission from any of the leadership of the Faith Mission team assisting you in your visits.
  - d. **Minister God's presence.** Music, prayer, testimonies and loving them.
  - e. **Be yourself.** You may even offer to help do any kind of cleanup inside or outside the home, but check with the Faith Mission leaders first to ask permission from the homeowners.
- 7. Street Ministry / Evangelism** –This could be one of the most exciting opportunities while here at Faith Mission. One could literally incorporate the entire ministry opportunities mentioned above. So we encourage you as a group to be in prayer and ask for God's guidance when street ministry is made available.
- a. **Evangelize, win the lost.** Preach the gospel of Jesus Christ that others would come to a saving knowledge and experience with Jesus Christ. Too often the temptation is to just have another "church like service" in the streets. Let God show you His way to bring the living word of salvation to the people of Mexico in the very streets in which they live.
  - b. **Prepare your group** so that each person knows their place and role in ministry
  - c. **Don't be in a hurry.** One could spend their entire morning/afternoon or evening visit on a single meeting in a particular street. And/or, follow up can and could be needed if you see a great response. We would not desire to have these people left hanging. We will work with the local pastors to work alongside with you so that proper discipleship and ministry to new converts is given.
- 8. Spiritual Preparation** –It is up to each group leader(s) on how they feel best to prepare their group before coming. Here are a few encouragements.



- a. **Faithful prayer** covering all aspects and areas of your planned trip and ministry.
- b. **Encourage and build up** each and every individual to have expectation.
- c. **Prepare each person** that they personally can be used of God.
- d. **Prepare them as a ministry team**, not just individuals coming on a trip to spend time seeing how poor everyone is in Mexico.
- e. **Don't limit God.**

#### D. CLOTHING

- a. **Keep in mind the culture** and customs of Mexico.
  - Dress modestly
  - You do not need to bring suits or ties.
  - We ask that no revealing clothes be worn.
  - Shorts? They can be worn, but when being a part of a church service, you may want to consider jeans or dress / skirt, but it is not mandatory.
- b. **Consider the extreme heat** here. Along with proper clothing, others will want to consider bringing some type of headwear for shade, sunglasses and proper sunscreen during the months of March through September.

#### E. LANGUAGE

- a. **Faith Mission cannot make any guarantees** of being able to supply any group with interpreters. We strongly suggest you bring interpreters to allow for greater communication and ministry while your group is on Mexico.
- b. **Here are a few suggestions** that may help you with this:
  - **Check your community** for a Hispanic speaking church, school or college and inquire if there are any people who would like to be part of the trip and interpret.
  - **If you are unable to find any, we still want you to come.** We can always believe God with you that someone will be available for your group.
  - **Learn a few phrases or scriptures** in Spanish.

#### F. FOOD & WATER - We want to ensure the safety and well being of everyone in your group, so eating properly and drinking sufficient fluids is VERY important.

- a. **Snack Food** can be placed in the dorm areas, but we ask that it be kept to a bare minimum and remain sealed.
- b. **The refrigerators at Faith Mission** can only be used for the food we store to prepare your meals. The only exception we make is if a person needs to have medicine stored.
- c. **Each group needs coolers sufficient** to store their water in while going back and forth to Mexico. Ice is provided at the Mission, unless due to amount of groups, the ice machine is unable to recycle ice fast enough.
- d. **Three meals a day** will be provided at Faith Mission:
  - **Breakfast** – Consists of breakfast cereal, bananas, apples, donuts and orange juice.
  - **Lunch** – Sandwich meat, cheese, bread, cookies, chips, apples, and some condiments are supplied in a cooler for you to take

over to Mexico. On Saturdays at Faith Mission all groups will eat their lunch meal prepared for the Mexican people after the services (or the Friday service at Mission #1).

- **Dinner / Supper** – A very complete and well balanced meal is provided at this time.
- **Eating in Mexico?** – No problem. You will need to communicate with the Faith Mission Administrator no less than 24 hours prior to your group eating in Mexico.

## G. FAITH MISSION EXPECTATIONS

- a. **Expectations** – What are your expectations from God? What are you believing God to do in your life, and to do through you for others?
- b. **A few helpful and important guidelines** during your stay :
  - i. **Stay on the sidewalks** to help preserve the grass.
  - ii. **Refrigerators are not for group usage**, unless medicine needs to be stored.
  - iii. **Observe the NO cologne, scented products, or perfume** as this will cause the Ehlers to become very ill.
  - iv. **Drink water each day, all day.** Drink some Gatorade and eat some bananas to help with the extreme heat.
  - v. **The phone in the main area is for emergencies only.** You will need permission before using the phone from your group leader.
  - vi. **Do not give out names**, addresses or phone #'s to nationals.
  - vii. **Mexican leaders or people** in the churches should not be approaching you for money or things. Simply inform us if someone is in need you would like to help.

## H. Knowing the People and Culture

- a. **Contact a local Hispanic Pastor** to share with your group about the people and culture; providing some valuable insight.
- b. **Being an American** simply gives you a door of opportunity to be heard and to minister. Use this opportunity with humility and respect for the people we are ministering to.

## I. What to do with your Free Time – While at Faith Mission, your group may have some free time during your visit. It will be up to your group leaders as to how that time is utilized. .

- a. **Typically there is a time set aside for shopping** in Acuna in the tourist area just adjacent to the bridge. Check with your leaders.
- b. **There are a couple of parks** within a few minutes of the mission for any outdoor activities (soccer, football, baseball, etc...).
- c. **Lake Amistad** is a very large recreational and bass fishing lake.

## J. What do we need to bring? – Many groups ask of there are any items to bring along as handouts when they are ministering. If you have questions at all, please call or e-mail us.

- a. **Candy.** It should be hard candy and wrapped individually.



- b. **Care packages.** A shoebox works well. Place toiletry items and the sort into the box; have them marked for boys and girls and the age they are intended for.
- c. **School type materials.**
- d. **Milk and cookie ministry** out in the streets, but you may want to purchase the milk and cookies in Del Rio. Be sure to have your own cooler for this.

**K. Typical Day at Faith Mission** – This is a “typical” day. We attempt to be as flexible as possible with each group on this schedule. Much will depend if you are the only group here versus many groups being here at the same time. If you would like a different schedule, please discuss this with the Director and Administrator of the mission prior to your arrival.

- 1) **6:30 a.m. to 7:15 a.m.**– Time to arise, shower and get ready for a great day!
- 2) **7:15 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.** – Breakfast time.
- 3) **8:00 a.m. to 8:15 a.m.** – Time to prepare our hearts some quiet time praying or reading the Word in the commons area.
- 4) **8:15 to 8:30** – Pastor Allen (or other Faith Mission staff) will share an encouraging and challenging word to the groups.
- 5) **8:30 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.** – Bro. Allen Ehlers will share the Word
- 6) **9:15 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.** – Load up quickly and depart for Mexico in your vehicles (If your group has chosen to go over for ministry that day)
- 7) **12:00 p.m.** (approx) – Lunch in Mexico (brought with you from the mission in your coolers).
- 8) Afternoon (normally around 3:00 P.M.) - Return to mission for rest and relaxation at your own discretion.
- 9) **4:45 p.m.** Supper at the mission.
- 10) **5:30 p.m.** – Load up and leave for Mexico (If your group has chosen to go over for ministry that evening).
- 11) **9:30 p.m.** – Return back to Mission (Time can vary each evening, but plan on returning no later than 10:0 P.M.).
- 12) **10:30 p.m.** - Lights out in the common area.
- 13) **11:00 p.m.** - Lights Out in the sleeping areas.

**L. Contacting Us – Communication** – We desire to keep in close contact and communication with the group leader(s) communication with you and your group. It would be of great help to us if you did the following:

- a. When you are confident of your arrival and info, call (830-734-2105 or 830-775-6629) us or e-mail (ser4ever@netzero.com)and confirm:
  - ✓ Your departure date
  - ✓ Your arrival date and time at the Mission
  - ✓ The number of people in your group, with a break up of guys versus gals
- a. **IF you decide to cancel**, please be sure to call or e-mail us of your cancellation as soon as you know.
- b. **Please call us** just a couple of hours before arriving (830-734-2105 or 830-775-6629) so we can be ready for you.

- c. **It is very important to us before you leave** that we meet with the leadership. We desire, want, and need your honest feedback (positive or negative).

## REFERENCE SHEET FOR VISITORS

**Allergic Warning** – Due to some of the Faith Mission staff being allergic to scented products, we do not allow any scented hygiene products, colognes, or perfumes. **Do not use any of these products.**

1. Due to electrical limits, we ask that electrical hair dryers, curling irons or other like devices not be used while visiting. This will ensure that there will not be a blowout of the air conditioning system.

**Bedding** – The beds here are covered with a sheet, along with a pillow and pillow case. We ask that each person bring their own towels, any additional bedding (sheet or blanket) if desired. As well, you may bring a bed role (sleeping bag) to place on top of the bedding mattress. You may want to consider bringing your own soap as well.

**Name Tags** - It would be of great help if each group would prepare and bring their own name tags for their length of stay. We want to know who you are, as well as the Mexican people. Please, no art work or designs, just name tags with your first name.

**Facility/Capacity** - There is an on sight church, office, and dorms for men and women. The total capacity of the dorms and additional sleeping quarters runs approximately 120 people. There are no separate rooms for couples.

**Financial Responsibility of Visitor's** - In order to be placed on the schedule, we ask you send a \$100.00 (non-refundable) deposit prior to your arrival. We suggest a daily offering of **\$25.00 per person per nights stay.** Upon arrival the remainder of the balance is due.

**As the \$25.00 per day does not cover all expenses, we trust the sponsoring church will supply an additional offering to help with the other areas of the ministry**

**Health Insurance** - Faith Mission International does not provide insurance, so remember to bring your own.

**Picture ID** - It is recommended that you bring and keep this in your possession when going to Mexico. You will need this if you are specifically walking to and from Mexico. A picture ID could be a student ID, driver's license, and passport. IF you do not have a picture ID, a birth certificate should be considered.

## Miscellaneous

1. **Interpreters!!** It will be your responsibility to bring and provide your own interpreter (s). We will do our best to locate interpreters for your group if they are available, but it is always best to do your best to locate and bring your own interpreters. We typically ask for a donation/offering for each interpreter to be \$10.00 per day.

**Passports are not currently necessary** unless someone in your group is not an American citizen. If this is the case, be sure the visa is a multiple, so they can go in and out of Mexico. The current posted announcement (as of 06/2008) for people crossing the border is as follows: "**Beginning January 31, 2008, U.S. citizens ages 19 and over will need to present a government issued photo ID and proof of citizenship (such as a birth certificate, naturalization certificate or passport) to enter the U.S. by land or sea. U.S. citizens under the age of 19 will only need to provide proof of citizenship.**"

2. **Do not carry across the border** or have in your possession any firearms or bullets of any kind. There is a twenty five year sentence given in the Mexican prisons to those breaking this law. This includes bullet key chains or anything even resembling a firearm. Do not purchase any of these items while in Mexico.

**LEADERS: Thank you!** for taking on the responsibility of watching over, directing, and serving the needs of your group. We would ask a few things to keep in mind and expected from your group:

1. **One adult leader** for every 12 young people.
2. **Leaders must sleep in the dorms** with their groups.
3. **Leaders be sure to participate with your group** in all activities that happen at Faith Mission. We ask that the leaders do not run errands during the time of group devotions and teaching.
4. **All things left in the dorm** after leaving will be donated to the Mexican people.
5. **As a leader watch over your group** to ensure a "spirit of unity" in all that is going on at Faith Mission, as well as interaction with other groups that may be visiting at the same time.
6. **Encourage all of your group to participate** as much as possible with the Mexican people. This will turn out to be a great blessing for each person!
7. **Emphasize with your group** that their time at Faith Mission is not to be likened unto a youth Bible camp, retreat, or to be approached with a vacation mentality. As a mission station, our emphasis each and every day is to give of ourselves to the needs of others, which will create times of sacrifice, inconvenience, and times of having to overcome various obstacles within and without.

## See Release Forms Below

**RELEASE FORM - ALL VISITING MUST COMPLETE**

Faith Mission International P.O. Box 1189 Del Rio, TX 78841-1189  
Ph# (830) 775-6629 / fax:(830) 774-6065

\*\*\*\*General Release Hold Harmless Agreement (Revised 10/02/2007)\*\*\*\*

The undersigned (name of participant)\_\_\_\_\_ desires to participate in various programs, events or activities (hereinafter collectively referred to as "activities) operated by Faith Mission Int. or sponsored by (Participant's church, or organization name) \_\_\_\_\_ (hereinafter referred to as the "Mission Church"). The undersigned further understands and acknowledges that the undersigned (and/or children and/or minors) may incur personal injury or bodily damage while participating in such "activities." The undersigned further understands and acknowledges that the "Mission Church" will not allow the undersigned (and/or children and/or minors) to participate in such "activities" without releasing and holding harmless the "Mission Church". Further, the undersigned requests that the "Mission Church activities" in consideration thereof agree to hereby release, and forever discharge the "Mission Church" their officers, directors, any employees, their agents, and any parties volunteering on behalf of the "Mission Church" from all actions, claims, costs, expenses, or damages of any kind growing out of or related to any of the "Mission Church activities" in which the undersigned (and/or children and/or minors) participates.

Print Name of Participant: \_\_\_\_\_

Participant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(Participant or parent/guardian signature if participant is a minor)

## Medical Release Form

The undersigned, does hereby authorize the treatment by a qualified and licensed medical doctor in the event of a medical emergency which, in the opinion of the attending physician, may endanger the undersigned's life, cause disfigurement, physical impairment, or undue discomfort if delayed, while undersigned (and/or children and/or minors) is participating in "Mission Church activities" or while at Faith Mission International.

List any specific allergies, chronic illness or other medical condition participant may have:

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Print Participant's Name:

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Participant's or Parent's Signature (if applicant is a minor)

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Group Leader's Signature:

\_\_\_\_\_

Date Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

## Checklist for Visit to Faith Mission International

Leaders, this is a small list to help you in establishing the basic needs and requirements before coming to Faith Mission.

- A. Establish meeting with all participants.
- B. Prepare Visitor's Packet for participants.
- C. Prepare release form for participants.
- D. Go over visitor's packet during meeting(s).
- E. Take down any questions, issues or concerns not addressed in visitor's packet that need to be addressed with the Faith Mission Staff.
- F. Establish method by which funds will be created and collected.
- G. Plan method of transportation to Faith Mission, and in/out of Mexico.
- H. Address what ministry will be given (drama's, singing, puppets, etc...).
- I. Have each person establish the need for all items to be taken on the trip.
- I. Determine the need for additional meetings as needed/necessary.
- J. Get to Mission - Establish direction, priorities, and requirements of Faith Mission.
- K. Contact Faith Mission with complete information on group
- K. Upon leaving Mission, do the following:
  - 1. Strip beds and put sheets in laundry room or as directed by the Administrator
  - 2. Vacuum the sleeping areas and dining area thoroughly.
  - 3. Clean up bathroom/shower area.
  - 4. Turn in name tag's if provided by Faith Mission.
  - 5. Please fill out our Guest Book before you leave.

Any questions, contact us at:

Faith Mission International  
830-775-6629 or 830-734-2105  
E-mail: [ser4ever@netzero.com](mailto:ser4ever@netzero.com) or [faithmissionintl@stx.rr.com](mailto:faithmissionintl@stx.rr.com)