



PERSONAL DATA (please print legibly)

Name _____ Home Phone _____

Email _____ Cell Phone _____

Address _____

Birth Date _____ Sex ___M___F Marital Status _____

Occupation and or Grade in school _____

Languages other than English _____

PRESENT INVOLVEMENT

Church Member ___yes___ no Where _____

If not a member of South Peoria Baptist church a letter from your pastor endorsing you will be needed.

How long have you been a Christian? _____ What areas of your church are you involved in

What ministries are you involved in outside of the church

INTENDED MINISTRY

Have you ever been on a short term mission trip? _____ Where did you go and how long were you there? _____

Who did you go with and what did you do on this mission trip?

What do you hope will happen in your life if you go on this mission trip?

AREAS OF INTEREST

Please check the areas you are interested in assisting with or have experience in.

EVANGELISM

street

crusades

Jesus films

Other _____

CHILDREN

teacher

teacher's aid

puppets

other _____

LIFE SKILLS TRAINING

nutrition

hygiene

child care

other _____

MEDICAL

dentist

nurse

doctor

other _____

AGRICULTURE/LIVESTOCK

farming/garden

animals

veterinarian

other _____

CHURCH

preaching

music

teaching

VBS

teen ministry

audio/video

other _____

BUILDING/MAINTENANCE

plumbing

carpentry/construction

electrical

general repairs

painting

other _____

COMPUTERS

software

hardware

set up

repair

other _____

EMERGENCY/MEDICAL FORM

Name _____ DOB _____ Gender _____

Address _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT : _____ PARENT _____ GUARDIAN

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ state _____ zip _____

2nd Contact

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ state _____ zip _____

PLEASE CHECK HEALTH ISSUES

___ Do you presently have any food allergies? What foods? _____

___ Are you allergic to any medications? Which ones _____

___ asthma ___ Kidney problems ___ liver problems ___ diabetic

___ depression ___ epilepsy ___ panic attacks

___ breathing & lung issues ___ heart issues ___ high blood pressure

Please let us know if you are presently taking meds for an infection now

What surgeries have you had in past 6 months _____

Be sure you keep a list of your medications with you and your medications with you as well while traveling.

Health issues can hinder your enjoyment of the mission trip and even put others at risk.

Are there other medical issues we should be aware of? _____

Signature of applicant _____

Signature of parent if applicant is under 18 _____

Date: _____

On Mission with Vine & Branches

General Information

Money:

1. A. Remember to take enough cash for as you travel.. This means you will need enough money for food at the airports coming and going. If we go through London,. Once in country, giving money directly to the orphans and/or other workers, etc. is strictly forbidden. Money can be given to a specific orphan and/or others, however, it must be done directly through your Group Leader. This policy is to keep the members of our teams from being extorted in any way.
2. Your expenses while in country will be part of your trip expense and will be taken care of by you group leader unless told otherwise. Your meals and lodging are group expenses, sodas and water and gifts are your personal expenses.
3. Many times members of a Mission Team may feel impressed to “sponsor” an orphan or provide other financial support. This is acceptable and even encouraged, but it must be done through the proper channel of Encouragement Inc. - USA. If you have any questions, feel free to speak to your Tour Director.

Lifestyle Issues & Behavior

1. While on this trip, the use of alcohol, tobacco, and drugs, other than prescription drugs, are strictly forbidden by all Team Members. We encourage volunteers to only bring Christian magazines and music.
2. Displaying a positive attitude in behavior and speech is a must for all to have a pleasant experience and is the Christian model we want to reflect to the people you are working with. It is best to be “careful” not to display body language of “shock” and “feelings of pity” while working with these less fortunate people in their life situations. Showing Christian “love and compassion” is appropriate, but projecting an attitude of “pity” is not productive and healthy for them. If you have any questions concerning what is appropriate in various situations, feel free to speak to the Team Director privately.
3. Clothing is to be moderate. Often girls are encouraged to wear skirts and guys long pants. Moderate shorts are acceptable when not working during the day. Girls are not to bring “string tops” or “tank tops.” T-Shirt is best. A simple dress is the suggested wear for the girls during Sunday church services.

Beliefs, Material, and Teaching Materials:

1. Because we are working with a variety of evangelical denominations, it is important that the “teaching, preaching, and conversations” even around the dinner tables, remain “inclusive” of “all” evangelical churches teachings. Our Mission Teams many times will consist of people from a variety of evangelical churches. Essential doctrines like: Salvation by grace through faith, the Deity of Jesus Christ, and the infallible Word of God, are never compromised. It is best to stay in the “middle of the road” doctrinally while teaching and preaching . Extreme and any distinctive denominational teaching is to be left out. If you are not sure of whether the content of your teaching and preaching materials fits the above criteria, it is important that you check with the Missions Team Director prior to communicating and disbursing any questionable materials. Keep in mind that VABGM endorses the Baptist Faith and Message Statement of Faith.

Underage Team Members: Any child under the age of 18 not traveling with a parent must have the following:

1. Current passport.
2. Must have a notarized letter giving permission by parents or guardian for them to travel with VABGM
3. "Waiver of Liability" signed (by parents or guardian if required)
4. "Emergency Medical Treatment" form complete with all necessary signatures.

Communicating with citizens of the country you are working:

1. Giving out of your home address, telephone numbers, and e-mail addresses is discouraged. This policy is in concern for your own safety and limits solicitations. Social media contacts maybe ok, but please be careful

Telephone/Internet Service:

1. There is internet available in most hotels.
2. A cell phone is provided for team members to use while in country. Scratch cards can be purchased for "minutes" and calls to the USA are inexpensive.
3. A list of "Emergency Contact Numbers" will be given to you to provide for family members here in the USA to contact you in case of an emergency.

ASSUMPTION OF RISK, RELEASE, WAIVER OF CLAIM AND INDEMNITY

(To be filled out by participants age 18 and over and/or Parents or Legal Guardians) WARNING: THIS DOCUMENT AFFECTS LEGAL RIGHTS, INCLUDING YOUR RIGHT TO SUE, AND CREATES LEGAL RESPONSIBILITIES. PLEASE READ CAREFULLY.

RETURN TO: Vine & Branches P O Box 639, Peoria, Az. 85380 or email to jhayes@vabgm.com

In consideration of VABGM accepting my application for, and allowing me to participate in, an excursion to Africa being organized by VABGM, and which is expected to begin on or about _____ 20____ and for the sum of \$3,500.00 and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, I, _____ , agree to the terms of this Assumption of Risk, Indemnity, Waiver of Claim and Release (collectively the "Agreement").

In particular:

1. ASSUMPTION OF RISK I ACKNOWLEDGE AND AGREE THAT participation in the trip involves potential dangers, risks and hazards (the "Risks") that include. but are not limited to:

- a. Death or injury occurring through vehicle accidents during transportation between various communities.**
- b. Death, injury or illness from consumption of unsanitary food and water**
- c. Death or illness due to the contraction of a communicable disease.**
- d. Death, injury or personal loss incurred as a result of political instability, criminal violation, and hostile environments**
- e. Death, injury or personal loss incurred as a result of a hurricane, volcanic eruption, an earthquake or other type of natural disaster.**

I FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGE AND AGREE THAT my participation in the trip is entirely at my own risk and that I freely accept all the inherent risks of participating in the trip and the possibility of personal injury , death, kidnapping, property damage and loss resulting there from

I FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGE AND AGREE THAT VABGM's acceptance of my involvement as a participant in the trip does not and will not make me an agent, contractor or employee of VABGM, and VABGM will not be obliged to assume any responsibility for my welfare in the event of my detention by lawful or

unlawful means and that VABGM's policies prohibit VABGM from submitting to any form of extortion to obtain my release or otherwise ensure or protect my safety or well-being if I am taken hostage or otherwise victimized during the Excursion.

RELEASE AND WAIVER OF CLAIM I WAIVE ANY AND ALL claims I may now, and in the future, have against, and release and discharge from all liability, and agree not to sue, VABGM, its member, directors, officers, employees, volunteers, agents, representatives, and each of them and their respective agents, executives, administrators, representatives, heirs, successors and assigns (the "Releases"), with respect to any and all liability, costs (including legal costs), claims, damages, demands, actions and causes of action of whatever kind which might arise from or in connection with my participation in the Excursion including, without limitation, any personal injury, illness, death property damage, or financial loss or other loss suffered by me or any of my family members or dependents, arising, directly or indirectly, from my participation in the Excursion, whether foreseen or unforeseen and regardless of the cause thereof including, without limitation, negligence or partial negligence on the part of the Releases or any of them including willful misconduct:

I FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGE AND AGREE that I, without limitation, may use, publish, reproduce, broadcast, transmit, televise, record, sell, distribute and display any written accounts or depictions, motion and/or still pictures or other materials in which I may appear or be mentioned or included, in regard to the Excursion and I waive and release any right or claim I may have to receive any compensation or reimbursement in regard to any of the foregoing, whether I was involved in the creation or production of any of such regardless of whether any obligation arises under or by virtue of statute or otherwise.

INDEMNITY I AGREE to hold harmless and to indemnify the Releases for any and all claims made against any of the Releases by any person, including any claim or action by or on behalf of my spouse or dependents, for damages suffered or costs incurred arising out of or related to any aspect of my participation in the Excursion, including, without limitation, any of the matters described or contemplated in Clause 2 hereof.

UNDERSTANDING I DECLARE that I have had the opportunity to seek independent legal advice with respect to the matters addressed in this Agreement, that I fully understand the terms of this Agreement and that I have not been influenced by any representations or statements made by or on behalf of VABGM not recorded in this document. I CONFIRM THAT I am the full age of 18 years and I have read and understood the Agreement prior to signing it and I agree that the Agreement will be binding upon my heirs, next-of-kin, executors,

administrators and successors. I am aware that by signing this Agreement I am releasing and waiving certain legal rights, including the right to sue and to be awarded potentially substantial damages, which for my heirs, next-of-kin, executors, administrators and assigns have or may have against the Releases.

JURISDICTION AND CHOICE OF LAW I AGREE that this Agreement shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Arizona and that the parties hereby attorney to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Arizoan courts.

COMPLETE AGREEMENT I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE this Agreement contains the entire agreement between EI and me, and that the terms of this Agreement are contractual and not merely a recital. Dated at:

_____, this _____ day of _____, 20____. (City & State) (Month)

Participant Signature Witness
Signature _____

Mailing Address E-Mail Address

Contact person (In case of emergency) Emergency contact telephone number

***** **Children under 18 must have the Parents or Legal Guardian's Signature:**

Father's Signature (or Legal Guardian of Minor Child) _____ **Mother's Signature (or Legal Guardian of Minor Child)**