

# **Praying Pelican Missions Agreement**

## ***Media Agreement***

I give permission to Praying Pelican Missions to use pictures and videos taken of me or my child within promotional materials (brochures, pamphlets, postcards, website, etc.) in order to promote future missions trips.

## ***Policy Agreement***

I agree to follow the outlined policies as a mission trip member in accordance with Praying Pelican Missions (PPM):

1. As a representative of my own community, PPM, and, above all else, Jesus Christ, I will behave at all times in a manner that brings glory and honor to these institutions.
2. I am aware that my every word and action is being watched during the entire mission trip experience. Therefore, I agree to act and talk in a manner that glorifies the name of Jesus Christ. I want everything I do or say to draw people to Jesus.
3. I will be spiritually, physically, and mentally prepared for a mission trip that will stretch me and mold me in ways that I can only imagine. I will do everything I can ahead of time to prepare myself for a "trip of a lifetime".
4. I understand I am a guest in the community I am visiting. I will respect and follow the traditions and customs of the local people and leaders. For example: if the way I dress offends them, I will change. If I am offered food, I will take it with a "thank you" and a smile.
5. I will not criticize the culture, efficiency, work habits, food, traditions, etc. that I am exposed to during my time on the trip. I have come not to judge, but to learn and to share the person of Jesus through my words, actions, and deeds.
6. I will respect and follow the PPM Trip Leaders and Group Leader, and his/her decisions.
7. I agree to have a servant attitude at all times. When I am doing a task or ministry I don't particularly care for, I will put my best foot forward and be a witness in this activity and in everything I will participate in while on the trip.
8. I will use words that encourage and build up my team members and those in our host community at all times. This means I will refrain from gossip or words that bring dissension and take focus away from the goals of the trip.
9. I will have a positive attitude at all times. Every trip has its challenges and unforeseen circumstances. People could get sick, items lost, and plans changed. I realize that there are times I will need to "roll with the punches" and look at challenges as opportunities to be a witness for Jesus Christ.
10. I will refrain from pursuing romantic relationships during the trip. If my spouse or significant other is on the trip with me, I will make every effort to spend time with each person of the group and interact with all team members.
11. I will attend all team meetings and fulfill the responsibilities I have agreed to before, during, and after the trip. If I am not able to attend a meeting I will be in contact with my group leader as to what I missed.
12. I will refrain from initiating conversation regarding politics and speaking negatively about them during the trip.
13. I will abstain from using, consuming, purchasing, or possessing alcohol, tobacco products, and illegal drugs while on the trip.
14. I will not steal, commit any crime or do anything illegal while on the trip.
15. I will meet all medical, logistical, and legal travel requirements. For international travel, I will follow all import and export laws. I will not attempt to bring any illegal or banned item/good into or back from the location in which I will be serving.
16. I will follow the travel, supply, clothing, financial and medical guidelines, etc. set forth and explained to me prior to the trip. I am responsible for knowing and following everything in the PPM guide and explained at the group meetings.
17. If in the future I desire to return to the community and location on a missions trip to visit any of the connections or ministry partnerships, I must do so through PPM or receive their written permission to do so. This will enable the overall vision for the ministry as agreed upon through PPM connections in the host community to continue.
18. If I break any of the rules listed above, at the discretion of a PPM representative and in conjunction with my group leader, my mission trip can be terminated and I can be sent home at my own expense. I

realize that to attend this trip and represent Jesus Christ on the mission field is a privilege and if I abuse that privilege this constitutes the right for my trip to end prematurely.

### ***Liability***

Matthew 18:15-20 and 1 Corinthians 6:1-8 instruct us to live at peace and to resolve disputes in private or within the Christian church. I realize that the limited charitable resources of Praying Pelican Missions (PPM) should not have to be dissipated on litigation. Therefore, I expressly waive my right to file a lawsuit in any civil court or other secular setting against PPM, its representatives and affiliated entities, other related organizations, and all individuals involved with this missions trip.

I hereby release all leaders and organizations involved with this mission trip from any and all legal liability, and I acknowledge that PPM shall not have responsibility or liability for same. I hereby waive all my rights to pursue legal action against PPM or any other individuals or organizations associated with PPM in connection with the mission trip arising from, or related to, any sickness, injury, or death that may occur on or related to this trip. I fully realize that there are hazards, and I am fully assuming these risks, including but not limited to: hazardous traffic, poor roads, food, allergies, dangers resulting from military or political problems, storms or hurricanes, sickness, injury, and disease, and I acknowledge that PPM has no responsibility therefore. I specifically release PPM and its representatives from any claim of negligence in their duties as leaders or otherwise on this missions trip. In the event that I attempt to make a claim in violation of my release and waiver as herein indicated, I hereby agree to, and shall pay, all legal fees and costs incurred by PPM and other individuals and organizations involved.

In the event that it should become necessary, whether in an emergency or otherwise, I authorize PPM and its adult individuals serving as its agents to arrange for any and all treatment including but not limited to: x-ray examinations, anesthesia, dental, medical, surgical, and/or treatment and/or hospital care for said participant on behalf of participant; and in such event, said participant agrees to pay for all costs, charges, fees, and expenses and travel and/or emergency expenses incurred as a result of treatment. The undersigned represents that the participant suffers from no disease or injury and has no other requirements for supervision, medication, or care other than those listed previously on the Individual Registration Form. I assume the full responsibility for any and all medical bills and early evacuation/transportation costs incurred related to this missions trip.

I have read and am in full agreement with this release and waiver and policy agreement, and fully understand that I am waiving any rights I may have to litigate and sue. I accept full responsibility for visiting a doctor prior to the trip, all insurance, transportation to/from the host country, and all medical costs. I authorize PPM and its agents to make medical decisions on my behalf and agree to read and abide by all PPM rules as outlined in the Policy Agreement.

I hereby declare that I will, or give my child permission to, travel through PPM and authorize the adults serving on behalf of PPM to act as my agents.

### ***Release***

By clicking SUBMIT FORM, I agree that I am legally responsible for and have read, understand, and agree to all the information previously listed on this liability form and that all of my personal and medical information is up to date. I also agree to the Policy Agreement that I have read here and that has been gone through in detail by my group leader at our team meeting.