



# Memorial UMC Church Mission Ministry Covenant Form

Check One: Youth Participant \_\_\_\_\_ Adult Participant \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Covenant Statement:

I willfully choose to participate in Memorial United Methodist Church's (MUMC) Mission Ministry and understand that while this experience may be very personally rewarding, the trip is not for me but to accomplish very specific mission objectives. As a participant, I will work towards these objectives by upholding the obligations described in this covenant.

With respect to my obligation to the Mission Team, I agree to:

1. Participate whole-heartedly and enthusiastically in all the activities planned for our Team.
2. Speak up when I have a problem, need or concern and to convey these to the Mission Coordinator.
3. Listen and respond to the needs of others on the Team.
4. Follow the instruction and guidance of the Mission Leadership.
5. Respect other's property or rights, and to abide by the house rules including:
  - Respecting curfew and lights-out times
  - Staying out of other gender's sleeping, changing, bathing rooms unless provisions are explicitly made by the Mission Leadership.

With respect to my obligation to represent Christ and His Church, I agree to:

1. NOT use controlled substances (alcohol or drugs) or promoting use of these substances in our community.
2. Not wear clothing that is demeaning to any gender, race, religion or that advertises products that may be considered inconsistent with the rule of the Lord Jesus over our lives. This includes selecting clothing that is consistent with the cultural guidelines provided by the Leadership Team.
3. Set aside my personal desires and agendas that could distract from the Mission, including:
  - using the trip to initiate anything other than a plutonic relationship with other team members.
4. Refrain from intimate contact at all times while on the trip, including married and dating couples, except for culturally acceptable greetings.

With respect to my personal health and safety, I agree to:

1. NOT leave designated areas (Proyecto Abrigo Compound, house construction area, Church) at any time without:
  - First notifying the Mission Leadership
  - an accompanying adult
2. NOT eat or drink any food that has not been prepared by Proyecto Abrigo or designated by their leaders as safe.
3. Immediately notify the Mission Leadership or Nurse of illness or injury experienced on the trip.

With respect to the consequences should I breach this covenant, I understand and agree to the following:

1. I may be required to return home before the rest of the team at my own expense.

I will encourage others to understand and abide by the above covenant and striving, as a Christian, I will live as a supportive member of the group and as an example of faith and belief to those with whom we are in contact.

I understand that success in abiding by this covenant will result in a positive group environment and experience.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Participant's signature Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent's signature for minors Date

**Parental Consent and Medical Authorization Form for Minor Participant**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (First, Middle, and Last Name) hereby authorize my minor child, \_\_\_\_\_ (First, Middle, and Last Name), "Participant" to travel out of the United States to the vicinity of Juarez Mexico from March 16, 2007 to March 25, 2006 under the custody of \_\_\_\_\_ (First, Middle, and Last Name) in order to participate in the **2007 Memorial United Methodist Church Mexico Mission Trip (Mission Trip)**. I have read and understand the terms and conditions of the Memorial UMC Church Mission Ministry Covenant.

I hereby authorize my minor child to receive any necessary medical treatment while traveling in the custody of above mentioned person. I agree to abide by and be bound by such decisions and consents as if these were made by me and do assume full financial responsibility for and agree to pay all expenses for necessary medical treatment.

I further authorize any physician, hospital or medical attendant to receive full and complete medical reports or information necessary by them with respect to Participant's treatment. Execution of this document shall operate as an authorization for such person(s) to receive any medical information which they require.

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

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

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Personally appeared before me the undersigned authority in and for the jurisdiction aforesaid, the within-named \_\_\_\_\_, who being by me first duly sworn according to law, states on oath that the above and foregoing **Parental Consent and Medical Authorization Form for Minor Participant** is true and correct as therein stated and set forth.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED Before me this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2007.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

\_\_\_\_\_  
My Commission Expires

## MEXICO MISSION TRIP INFORMATION (revised 1/30/07)

### 1) Documentation Needed (please provide photocopies with application)

Copies from 2006 were retained, please verify they are current and accurate in lieu of resubmitting.

- \*Driver's license                      \*Birth certificate or Passport
- \* Emergency contacts            \*Health Insurance card (front & back)
- \* Notarized parental consent form (if under 18 and not accompanied by parent)
- \* Signed Mission Ministry Covenant Form
- \* *If you plan on taking your cell phone, please call or e-mail Andy with the phone #. We will make a little card for the team to put in their wallets with the #'s on them.*

### 2) What to pack

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| Bible (also consider a journal)   | Gloves (must for builders)  |
| *Clothes (pack for the week, no washing machines, wash some by hand with Woolite) | Hat   |
| Jacket, sweater, sweat shirt, etc.  | sunglasses  |
| Money- meals in transit, souvenirs  | Comfortable shoes (not new)   |
| Toiletries  | Sunscreen   |
| Rx, medicines (include Immodium!)   | Bug Spray   |
| Roll of toilet paper  | Pocket dictionary   |
| Towel, wash cloths  | Disposable Camera (optional)  |
| Earplugs  | Personal snacks ( <i>never eaten in front of Mexico children!</i> ) |
| *Sleeping bag/pillow  | Cell Phone (optional)   |
| Flash light, extra batteries  | Water Bottle (must for all)   |
| Safety goggles (must for builders)  | Moist towelettes  |

*\*Clothing tips: generally loose fitting shirts, long pants. Weather should be about ~70 degrees for a high and ~45 degrees for the lows. Wrap 'n peel!*

*\*If you don't want to carry your sleeping bag 'n pillow on the plane, optional to load on the clothes truck on Wed. 3/16. Put together in one large bag, clearly labeled with your name.*

### 3) What to leave at home

- \* Expensive and/or "flashy" jewelry
- \*for teen girls: shorts, spaghetti strap shirts, shirts that don't completely cover your belly, and tight-fitting shirts (see safety hand out)

### 4) Email Updates from Mexico

- Tell your friends and family who want to receive daily email reports to send their request to Andy at [afoote@petroferm.com](mailto:afoote@petroferm.com).

### 6) Airline Itinerary

Plan arrival on Saturday afternoon by 3 pm March 17, 2007.

Plan Departure on Saturday morning after 8 am, March 24, 2007.

### 7) Upcoming Meetings 2/20/07, 3/6/07 7pm Maxwell Hall

## Mexico Mission Trip Payment Instructions

1. Travelers must submit all funds in an unsealed church envelope
  - The total of the funds included in the envelope should be written on the front of the envelope in the “Specials” box
  - The phrase “Mexico Mission Travel” should be written above the “Specials” box
  - The contributor’s name should be entered on the “Name” line of the envelope
  - A completed payment form should be included in the envelope
    - The payment form should include:
      - The date of the payment
      - The names of each traveler for which payment is being made
      - The type of travel chosen by each traveler (bus, self-provided)
      - The payment amount for each traveler
      - The sum of the payments for each traveler should equal the total payment included in the envelope
  
2. Travel payments in the completed unsealed travel envelopes should be given to a Mission leader who will pass it on to the mission’s treasurer
3. If installment payments are being made for an individual’s travel, all payments made should be submitted in the same fashion
4. Contributions to support the mission are also greatly appreciated. You can submit those in a church envelope with the funds designated for the Mexico Mission directly to the Church secretary or place them in the offering plate.

### Memorial United Methodist Church Mexico Mission 2007 Payment Form

Contributors Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

<u>Travelers Name</u>	Mark type of travel		<u>Payment Amount</u>
	<u>Bus</u>	<u>Self-Provided</u>	
_____	_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	_____	\$ _____
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_____	_____	_____	\$ _____
<b>Total payment</b>			<b>\$ _____</b>