



TEAM MEMBER
MANUAL



TEAMS



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We are so blessed by your decision to join us on a OneHope Teams trip and are excited about the opportunity for your team to minister to children and youth. There is something very special about the chance to personally give God's Word to a child — perhaps bringing them the Gospel for the very first time.

Enclosed in this manual, you will find:

- Helpful information on OneHope's ministry around the world
- What to expect during your trip

Remember, the more prepared you are for ministry, the better your experience will be!

We are praying that this trip will give you a new vision for what God is accomplishing through His Church around the world, and you will return with special stories and experiences you can share with others. We look forward to the opportunity to minister alongside you!

Trip Preparation

Not only does every OneHope team represent the face of the ministry, but are also ambassadors for your church, your community, the Global Church, and the Gospel message we are there to share. Representing the name of Jesus is a responsibility that should not be taken lightly.

We recommend that you take time to prayerfully prepare for this trip and any opposition you and your team might face on the field. There is nothing more powerful than a unified witness, and nothing more damaging than a fractured, conflict-ridden ministry team.

A OneHope Teams trip is about...

- Team unity and serving
- Being open to receive what God has planned for you
- Stepping up to push yourself outside your comfort zone
- Cooperating with your team leader and OneHope staff to minister effectively on the field
- Allowing God to open your eyes to a new world perspective

A OneHope Teams trip is not about...

- Going on a vacation
- Spending a lot of time alone relaxing
- Staying in the background and letting others do all the work
- Meeting individual desires and expectations
- What you might receive—but rather what you can give



Passports & Paperwork

Passports & Visas

If you don't have a passport, apply immediately! Passports can take as long as four months to get if you apply by mail – sometimes even longer. If you have enough time, go ahead and apply for your passport without expediting it.

If the country you are traveling to requires a visa for entry, you will be advised of the appropriate paperwork to fill out. If you are not a U.S. citizen, please note that the requirements may be different for you. Connect with your team leader as soon as possible to work out the details.

Required Paperwork

You will need to supply the following paperwork for your trip:

- **The Assumption of Risk Form** must be completed by each team member age 18 and older. Full completion of this form includes signatures from two witnesses.
- **Permission for a Background Check** All team members age 18 and older must undergo a mandatory background check from Accurate Background before going on the mission field. Please make sure you complete this form.
- The **Health Information** section of the Assumption of Risk Form is required. Please complete this section in full, as it is critical that we have your medical background information on file. Note any medications you are taking, allergies (including foods), immunization records, and any current health issues.
- The **Parental Consent Form** must be completed for each team member who is under the age of 18 at the time of trip departure. Parents or legal guardians of the minor must complete the form in full and have it witnessed by a notary public. This form replaces the Assumption of Risk form for minors participating in the trip.
- A photocopy of your **passport** will be needed to keep on file at the OneHope office. We also recommend keeping a copy of the information page in your luggage in case you lose your passport while traveling.



Transportation

Your trip leader will coordinate booking plane tickets to your trip destination. Upon arrival, the OneHope staff hosting your team will arrange ground transportation, lodging, and meals during the trip. If you have any constraints on your departure and arrival dates, please alert your leader as soon as possible so they can make appropriate arrangements.

Fundraising

Fundraising isn't about asking people to give you money, but about inviting them to join your journey and put their resources at the disposal of God's Kingdom. Fundraising is an invitation for people to partner with God's call to reach the nations. Your team leader will instruct you on ways and strategies to fundraise for your trip. The best tip to making your funding goal is to start right away.

Prayer Preparation

Every OneHope Teams trip needs to be covered in prayer from start to finish. Your team will likely experience opposition while on the trip, and it would be a mistake to go into it spiritually unprepared. As you prepare for your trip, begin to pray for the following:

- Your personal spiritual growth
- Your team's personal needs
- The ministry activities you will participate in
- The preparations of the field team who will be hosting you
- That your love for the people of the host country will grow
- The cities where you will minister
- Distribution of the *Book of Hope* or other program materials
- The local pastor(s) who will be working with the team
- The translators who will work with the team
- Health for yourself and your team members
- Protection from spiritual or physical attack
- Team leadership and unity

