

Leading a Short Term Mission Team?

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SHORT TERM MISSION TEAM MEMBERS

CODE OF CONDUCT

A mission team member must be Christ-like – you are being observed and are seen as a model of what a follower of Christ should be. A team member will:

- maintain a daily time of personal prayer, worship and Bible reading
- obey the team leader in a spirit of co-operation
- respect and honour the hosts
- not drink any alcohol, or smoke cigarettes or use prohibited substances; all prescription medications used and taken should be disclosed personally to the team leader during the team preparation time.
- not use bad language or be involved in arguments; not leave the team without permission from the team leader
- not 'pair off' – any potential relationships in the team should be conducted openly in company with the team. No pairing off with others where we are visiting.
- not give money or valuable gifts to locals without checking with the leader first
- not give out home address – refer to local pastor or team leader
- practise a Christ-like, loving, servant attitude towards other team members