

One Day Closer Mission Trip Contract for Families

Mission Trip to the Dominican Republic

Dates: May 31 - June 7

Location: Makarios School, Tamarindo, Montellano, Dominican Republic

Purpose of Trip

This mission trip provides an opportunity for families to serve and make a lasting impact on the students and staff at Makarios School and the surrounding communities in the Dominican Republic. Participants will engage in service projects, evangelism, and worship.

Participant Responsibilities

As a participant in the mission trip, you and your family agree to the following:

1. **Commitment to Serve**

All participants agree to actively engage in the mission activities, including serving at Makarios School, evangelizing in local communities, and participating in worship and fellowship sessions.

2. **Code of Conduct**

Participants will adhere to a respectful, Christ-centered behavior throughout the trip, both toward each other and the local communities. This includes respecting cultural norms and local practices.

3. **Health and Safety**

Each participant is responsible for ensuring that they are in good health to travel and participate in the mission activities. Any pre-existing medical conditions or allergies should be communicated to the trip leaders in advance.

4. **Minors**

Participants under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult (parent or guardian). Families should ensure their children follow all trip guidelines and participate in all group activities.

Funds

We commit to raising or donating all necessary funds required for participation. I assume the financial responsibility to meet the contribution requirements listed below to secure participation in a mission trip with One Day Closer. I understand that failure to meet these contribution requirements will result in cancellation of my trip.

I understand that if my application approval date is after the first deadline, funds are due two weeks after my application approval date. I understand that if my application approval date is after the final deadline, **100%** of the funds are due immediately.

I understand that One Day Closer will begin reserving flights shortly upon application approval. Although economy-class airfare from most major cities is included, changes to my travel itinerary or passport may incur additional fees due to airline fees or increases in current inventory. I agree to pay the resulting fee increases promptly.

Trip Payment Schedule

The total cost of the trip is **\$1,900** per participant. This includes travel, accommodations, travel insurance, meals, and a t-shirt for each participant. It does **not** include the cost to obtain passports. Your family will have the opportunity to add several activities on the excursion day. Payments will be due as follows:

1. **Deposit:** A non-refundable deposit of **\$100** per participant is due by **March 15** to reserve your spot on the trip.
 2. **Payment #1: \$900** due by **April 15**.
 3. **Payment #2: \$900** due by **May 15** (final payment).
 4. **Final Payment: \$1,900** per participant is due by **May 15**.
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No Refund Policy

All donations are non-refundable. I understand that all funds donated toward my trip are considered a tax-deductible gift designated for the purposes of One Day Closer and have been made to and for the exclusive use and control of One Day Closer. I understand that all funds contributed to my trip are considered a tax-deductible gift to One Day Closer and cannot be refunded or transferred to another purpose (including sponsorships, capital projects, etc.) under any circumstance.

I understand that funds I donate or raise beyond the amount needed for my mission trip are not transferable to another trip or project at my discretion. I understand that excess funds will be considered an unrestricted gift to One Day Closer and will be used at the discretion of the ministry to meet critical needs.

I understand that all funds can be contributed via: online or checks made out to One Day Closer, 622 South Baker Circle, Leander, TX 78641.

Insurance and Liability

- **Medical Emergencies:** In the event of a medical emergency, participants will be given first aid care and, if necessary, transported to the nearest medical facility. By signing this contract, participants and their guardians agree to release the mission organizers from liability in case of accident or injury during the trip.
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Expectations of Participants

1. **Spiritual Growth:** Participants should be prepared to engage in daily devotionals, Bible studies, and prayer. This trip is as much about spiritual growth as it is about serving others.
 2. **Physical and Emotional Commitment:** The mission trip will involve physical activity, including manual labor and walking in hot climates. Emotional resilience will be required when engaging with the communities.
 3. **Teamwork:** This is a group effort, and participants are expected to work together as a team, respecting one another's differences and strengths.
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Acknowledgement and Agreement

By signing this contract, you, the participant, and/or legal guardian, acknowledge that you have read, understood, and agreed to the terms and conditions of this mission trip. You also understand the payment schedule and refund policies outlined above and agree to comply with them.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Participant Signature (if over 18): _____

Date: _____

Trip Coordinator Signature: _____

Date: _____

Family members participating in this trip:

We look forward to having you join us on this amazing mission trip with One Day Closer!