

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY SUMMARIES

Ministry Captains are veteran leaders to call for more information

Children's Ministry Captain

Phyllis Woodward(214)274-0594 or Priscila Fernandez (817)889- 4063

VBS is typically done in two sessions in the same village from 9 am-12 pm & 2pm-5 pm. You will need at least two lessons and crafts per village

1. Review the VBS handbook on the website under [RESOURCES>HANDBOOKS](#) and discuss possible lessons to teach with the team
2. Plan approximately 5-6 lessons, skits, and crafts for VBS
3. Prepare crafts in advance as much as possible (cutting, sorting, hole punching, etc).
4. Put in Ziplock bags in packs of 25 and label "25" on the bag
5. Laminate the stories and lessons you bring, or keep them in a Ziploc due to the humidity.
6. When packing VBS supplies, put them in a hard suitcase to prevent wrinkling. However, do not pack all your VBS in one suitcase.
7. Record the number of children served in each village. You will need to share this with your Lead Translator at the end of the trip.
8. At the end of the trip, complete an inventory of VBS supplies and leave them organized and neat. Take leftover crafts back home or donate them to the village teacher.

Medical Captain

Dr. Kay Carter at 936-635-0950 or Dr. Kevin Hudson (936) 635-0767

1. A full pharmacy will be provided on the boat, but we welcome donations.
2. For pharmacy donations, see our Pharmacy Overview, and the Formulary with Standard Prescriptions, under [RESOURCES>IMPORTANT TEAM DOCUMENTS>MEDICALMINISTRY](#).
3. For over-the-counter donations and quantities, see The Village Supplies Collection List on the website under [RESOURCES>IMPORTANT TEAM INFORMATION](#)
4. Have the pharmacy formulary on your phone, or bring printed copies
5. Have the Tropical Disease Manual on your phone or bring a printed copy
6. Locate the triage and emergency kit in the boat pharmacy
7. There will be no labs or diagnostic equipment available, so diagnose and treat as best as you can within the limits of the context
8. There should be a Brazilian doctor to help with situations where you're unsure of a diagnosis
9. Work with the Trip Leader to ensure a good flow for villagers through these four ministries:
 1. Triage with the kit (on the boat)
 2. Doctor Area with formulary available
 3. Pharmacy (set up by Pharmacy Captain)
10. Keep a record of the number of patients seen each day
11. Restock pharmacy totes at the end of each day and leave them full at the end of the trip
12. Take the pharmacy inventory at the end of our trip and give it to the Lead Translator
13. Record # of patients treated and any special needs the village may have. You will need to share this

with your Lead Translator at the end of the trip

Pharmacy Captain

David Keener 941-779-5635

(Not all teams will have a Medical Captain and a Pharmacy Captain. The duties are similar.)

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4. The pharmacy is off-limits except for everyone working on the medical team
5. Organize pharmacy donations in the boat pharmacy.
6. Train others to fill positions.
7. Help take inventory at the end of the trip. You will need to share this with your Lead Translator at the end of the trip.

Dental Captain

Fred Pietsch 214-693-1739

1. Coordinate the dental team (shifts, setting up on-site).
2. Record # of patients and any special needs. You will need to share this with your Lead Translator at the end of the trip.

Eyeglasses Captain

Don Holmes 972-259-0395

1. Eyeglasses will be on the boat and should be packed in two suitcases, ready to take to the village.
2. Make sure eye charts and Bibles are in the eyeglass suitcases
3. Use Bibles as eye charts if no eye charts are available
4. Each day, set up on-site, see patients, give eye tests for reading, give out glasses and Bibles as needed, and pray for the patient
5. Many children only want a pair of glasses, so only children under 12 accompanied by a parent
6. Make sure to let the villagers understand these are readers (close-up vision only), and wearing them for long-distance vision harms their eyes
7. Only give out sunglasses to fishermen or direct them to the afternoon Men's Ministry (first confirm they will be provided in the men's ministry gift bags)
8. Keep a record of the number of eyeglasses given each day. You will need to share this with your Lead Translator at the end of the trip
9. Refill eyeglass containers after each day of ministry
10. Organize the eyeglass closet at the end of the trip. Let the Lead Translator know of any empty containers needing to be refilled..

Evangelism Captain

Steve Trammell 903 530-2167

1. Please review the Evangelism material on our website under [RESOURCES>EVANGELISM](#) and coordinate evangelism training for the team before you leave
2. Ask the missionary if there are specific visits they would like the team to make
3. Use word-of-mouth to make villages aware of the current ministries happening in the village and the afternoon Men's and Women's ministries
4. If the team has gift bags, let them know the specific items that will be given (fishing line, sunglasses, caps, etc)
5. Clarify that the gift bags are only for those attending the ministry, since there will not be enough for the whole village
6. Ideally, break the evangelism team into groups of two or three Americans, one translator, and one missionary. Also, mix teams with males and females if possible
7. Before each visit, assign each team a role on the visit (Icebreaker, Testimony, and Gospel)
8. If a team is capable, rotate roles with each visit
9. Bring Bibles and preferred evangelism materials
10. Record the following data and report the information to the Lead Translator
 - a. # of Bibles distributed
 - b. # Professions of faith.
11. Inform the missionary of any salvation for follow-up
12. Inventory evangelical supplies at the end of the trip and list needs for the next trip

Men's Ministry Captain

Duane Maxwell 214-850-5820

1. Discuss needed topics for village men (marriage, alcoholism, parenting, discipleship) with your team
2. Please review the Evangelism material on our website under [RESOURCES>EVANGELISM](#)
3. Review ideas on how/what to teach and coordinate who will teach them (Ice breaker, personal testimonies, gospel presentation)
4. Record the number of men who participated and their professions of faith, You will need to share this with your Lead Translator at the end of the trip
5. If desired, bring fishing items (lines, hooks, lures) as a gift for each man at the end of the day

Women's Ministry Captain

Paige Pate 214-244-8111

1. Review the WOMEN'S MINISTRY material on the website under [RESOURCES>HANDBOOKS](#)
2. Discuss needed topics for village women (marriage, health, hygiene, parenting) with your team.
3. Review ideas on how/what to teach and coordinate who will teach them
4. Discuss the craft the women will do and what materials will be needed. Make sure materials are gathered and brought to the Packing Party
5. If desired, bring items to give as gifts to each lady in the study (pot holders, sewing items, aprons, small soaps, dish towels, wooden spoons, etc.).
6. Record the number of women who attended and their professions of faith. You will need to share this with your Lead Translator at the end of the trip

Teen Ministry Captain

Chad Pratt 479-619-9438

1. See Teen Ministry under [RESOURCES>HANDBOOKS](#)

Family Photo Captain

Belle Joyner 469-261-9520

1. Most families do not have printed family photos. This is a blessing that your team could provide.
2. We usually take pictures in the morning and print them at lunch
3. You will need a portable printer with 150-200 sheets

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Are prints smudge resistant?

Is it easy to replace ink cartridge?

Ask something else

4. Download the printer app and test the printer before leaving the US
5. Some teams made foam frames
6. This should only be done in smaller villages. Teams sometimes do this for just a few families. If someone sees you and asks, you can also take photos of them. We don't publicize this
7. Take only "family photos". If not, it snowballs fast!

Historian

1. Keep a daily log of God stories shared at the end of each day. Send these to phyllisw@amazonoutreach.org so we can use them in the newsletters
2. Take photos or collect photos to correspond with these God stories
3. Make short videos of ministry and boat life.

Hair Cutting Captain

1. Hair-cutting supplies are usually in the ministry supply closet on the boat, but it's best to bring your supplies (scissors, spray bottles, capes, battery-powered clippers)

Worship Captain

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1. Coordinate with the Brazilian worship team on the boat for worship during boat devotionals and village worship services
2. The songbook is under [RESOURCES>HANDBOOKS](#)
3. Feel free to make your own playlist
4. Learn a simple worship song in Portuguese from YouTube
5. A guitar, keyboard, and drum are usually on the mission boat, but it is best to bring your own to be certain of having an instrument

Prayer/Devotional Captain

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1. Lead prayer and devotionals in the months before your team's departure
2. Prepare a Prayer Calendar and/or 40 Days of Prayer to send to the team and support group
3. Select team members, before the trip, to lead a short devotional each morning on the boat
4. Encourage team members to prepare their personal testimony
5. Select team members to present their testimonies at village services and men's and women's ministries.
6. Lead prayer times on the boat

Fundraising Captain

1. Coordinate fundraising projects for the team
2. You can find valuable fundraising ideas online

Packing Captain for the Packing Party

Mechiel Lake 214-477-4168

How To Have A Successful Packing Party details are located on the website under [RESOURCES>LEADER RESOURCES](#).

On the Boat: Making, Storing, and Distributing Men's and Women's Ministry Bags

1. Have the team unpack each checked bag and organize items into different categories (medical,

dental, eyeglass, men's, women's, and children's supplies, etc.)

2. Create small men's or women's ministry bags with various items in small plastic bags.
3. Store men's, women's bags, and children's (optional) bags in the team's empty checked bags and label them with duct tape with the number and gender of the ministry bags
4. Select separate designated areas on the boat to store the suitcases/duffles containing the men's and women's/children's ministry bags.
5. Bring ministry bags to be distributed only to those attending the men's and women's ministries.
6. Have a game plan for distribution (usually defer to the missionary)
7. Soccer balls should be separated and presented to the village apart from men's and women's ministries. Let the missionary know how many balls are available and where he would like to donate them.