TEAM COVENANT

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We, the members of Faith Community Bible Church Short-Term Missions Team, believing that God has called us together to serve, agree together concerning the following:

I. Our Vision

We desire to be a team of people characterized by Christ like behavior exhibited through unconditional love; unselfish, joyful service, and unified teamwork. Our ultimate purpose as a team is to spread a passion for the make disciples of all nations for all people through Jesus Christ.

II. Our Team Objectives

We believe that we can fulfill this vision through the following commitments:

- A. <u>Glorifying God</u>: We join God the Father in magnifying the the supremacy of His glory through our Lord Jesus Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit by treasuring all that God is, loving all whom He loves, praying for all His purposes, meditating on all His Word, sustained by all His grace (Ps. 115:1-3; John 17:3, 17, 23).
- B. <u>Our Teamwork</u>: We commit ourselves to being a group of individuals who unite as one in purpose, striving to accomplish the same goal: to glorify Christ and increasing His Church (1 Cor. 12:12-31).
- C. <u>Communication</u>: We commit ourselves to resolve all inter-team conflicts according to biblical principles. This involves prayer as the first step, personal confrontation as the follow-up step and the counsel of a third party (namely, a leader) as a third and final resort (Matt. 18:15-20). In all issues of conflict, we commit ourselves to maintain a humble spirit of confidentiality, while seeking to affirm one another in love (Eph. 4:29; Col. 4:6).
- D. <u>Forgiveness</u>: We commit ourselves to the recognition of sin as our common enemy so that we each may be sensitive to our human failings and forgive each other (Eph. 6:12; Col. 3:12-13). we recognize that forgiveness is manifested through an understanding, forgetful attitude and the continuation of demonstrated love. In accordance with Hebrews 12:15, we commit ourselves to resolving any bitterness, because we realize that bitterness will drag the whole team down (Matt. 18:21-35).
- E. <u>Spiritual Growth</u>: We commit ourselves to personal worship and fellowship with God through obedience to the Lordship of Jesus Christ and an openness to learn from God's Spirit in all situations. We agree to have the same attitude of the Apostle Paul with the respect of failure (Philippians 3:12-14), and with respect to perseverance (1 Cor. 9:24-27); we will strive to put off the old self (Eph. 4:17-22) and put on the new self (Eph. 4:23-32).

III. Our Team Structure

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We believe that the following structure elements will enable us to carry out our team objectives:

- A. <u>Team Meetings</u>: Before, during, and after the trip, our team meetings will be crucial for fulfilling the commitments mentioned above. These team meetings shall include team devotions, team prayer, time for communication of details and plans, and time for individual relational development (Heb. 10:24; Eph. 5:19-20).
- B. <u>Personal Quiet Times</u>: We will attempt to be faithful in our daily times with God because we believe that growing individually is essential to growing as a team (Heb. 10:22).
- C. <u>Ministry Opportunities</u>: we will seek to be a witness of the love of Jesus to the people we encounter throughout our trip.
- D. <u>Work</u>: We recognize that, if our objectives are to be completed, we must all commit ourselves to work to the best of his/her God-given ability every day of the project (1 10:31).
- E. <u>Prayer</u>: We commit ourselves to daily prayer, every day up to and including our time on the field, for the individuals on our team, the Henderson Settlement para-church ministry.
- F. <u>Leadership</u>: In situations of team concerns, the team leader will be the guide. We also recognize that working with the team is an opportunity for us all to develop God-given leadership ability, and we commit ourselves to that end though the pursuing of individual growth opportunities that may arise (Eph. 5:21; Heb. 13:17).
- G. <u>Lifestyle</u>: We will strive (God helping us) to be imitators of Christ (1 Cor. 11:1), to walk as He would walk (1 Pet. 2:21), not causing our brother to stumble (1 Cor. 8:9-13), acting in a manner appropriate to the host, doing all for the glory of God (1 Cor. 10:31).

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