



Volunteer Covenant

1. As Christians, we are committed to following Jesus Christ in our public and private lives. Therefore, we draw the direction for our ethics and morals from the Bible, especially from the life and teaching of Jesus. He is the model for our lives and relationships.
2. We believe that all people are created in God's image and therefore are to be valued and respected regardless of race, ethnicity, nationality, religion, beliefs, age, gender, sexual orientation, physical ability, intellectual ability or any other differences.
3. In our involvement with international students, we will be accountable to the local Friends of Internationals leadership. To the best of our ability, we will keep our commitment(s) and responsibilities to both the ministry of Friends of Internationals and to the laws of the land.
4. We will make it our goal to patiently and consistently love the international student(s) and offer our unconditional friendship.
5. Jesus Christ has called us to love our neighbors as ourselves. When we offer help and services to international students, this is an expression of Jesus' love for us and our love for our neighbors. When we offer hospitality, friendship, language help, physical help and other service, they will come without any expectation of return.
6. We will proclaim the Good News about Jesus Christ openly. We will reveal our own identity and purpose and will not be intentionally misleading.
7. In presenting the Good News of Jesus, we will not use coercive or manipulative techniques or highly emotional appeals, nor capitalize on a person's difficulty with English, cultural or psychological vulnerability, or other felt needs, to put pressure on anyone. We will not seek to undermine family relationships or religious institutions.
8. We understand that Friends of Internationals has zero tolerance for abuse or exploitation – sexual, emotional, physical or in any other form.
9. We will be sure to maintain personal liability insurance coverage over our home and automobiles.
10. We understand that romantic relationships between volunteers and international students are discouraged. We will not date an international student without first discussing it with the Friends of Internationals Executive Director and/or Prayer Team Leader.
11. We will keep the Friends of Internationals leadership informed about our relationships with Internationals. We will share any problems, difficulties, unusual incidents as well as joys and happy stories.
12. We understand that questions, concerns and suggestions are welcome conversations with the leadership of Friends of Internationals.

Volunteer _____ Date: _____

Email: _____ Mobile/Phone: _____

Home Church _____ Pastor _____