

COVENANT FOR PARTICIPANTS

As a participant in this SERVE Site, I realize that this is both a privilege and a responsibility. While this project is an enjoyable experience for those who participate, it is also a Christian service ministry where work and team cooperation are needed.

Because of this I have agreed to the following:

- 1. To cheerfully participate in all assignments and activities and to abide by the decisions and schedules set by the ThereforeGo SERVE Host Team and adult sponsors.
- 2. To understand that lack of respect for authority, including the use of abusive language, violations of site smoking policies and failure to comply with behavioral expectations may result in my being sent home at my own expense. I also understand that any use or possession of alcohol, firearms, weapons or drugs (not prescribed by a physician) will automatically result in my being sent home at my own expense.
- 3. To acknowledge that I am representing Jesus Christ, my church youth group and ThereforeGo Ministries while on this mission trip, and that I will conduct myself appropriately at all times.

Reminder: you have agreed to abide by this covenant and the rules and regulations set forth by the Host Team.

As you make this commitment as an adult leader, please recognize that each year, a few well-intentioned adult leaders actually hinder the unity of a SERVE Site by:

- Comparing the experience to a previous SERVE they have been on.
- Second-guessing the cell phone and swimsuit rules.
- Thinking they can build small group unity at the expense of the larger group by complaining and/or intentionally breaking "minor" rules.

Please do everything you can to lead the students as servants of the Host Church, the Host Team and the community.

When the adult leaders at SERVE cooperate with the Host Church and Host Team in a sense of Godhonoring unity, submitting in love, the stage is set to make a tremendous impact on the students and the community.