



## **United Methodist Ministries Volunteers in Mission Participant Behavior Agreement and Guidelines**

***The following are guidelines that United Methodist Ministries expects all persons participating in mission experiences to adhere to:***

All participants regardless of age are asked to remember that they are guests of United Methodist Ministries and the host agencies and act according to that role. This includes remaining respectful of differing religious views, approaches to mission and being considerate, tolerant and patient with different or unfamiliar ideas and surroundings.

All participants regardless of age are asked to be respectful of the agency host's instructions regarding tasks, specific safety regulations and physical space of the host agency.

Participants must wear appropriate clothing while working at mission agencies. No shirts bearing profanity, midriff showing tank tops and extremely short shorts.

All participants must wear close toed shoes while participating in hands-on mission activities directed by United Methodist Ministries and our partner agencies.

Children must have completed one year of school before eligible to participate in hands-on mission activities directed by United Methodist Ministries and our partner agencies.

Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian to mission agencies. It is the responsibility of the accompanying parent or guardian to supervise the activities, behavior and attitude of the child not the agency host or staff.

Children under the age of 12 must stay with an adult team member at all times while at a host agency. Children are not allowed to work on their own, leave the site unaccompanied or enter areas that are restricted for safety reasons.

Participants are asked to abstain from the use of profanity while on-site at mission agencies.

Participants are asked to abstain from using alcohol, tobacco, illegal drugs and profanity while on-site at mission agencies.