



## 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. Represent Jesus Christ, my church youth group, and ThereforeGo Ministries while on this mission trip and conduct myself appropriately at all times.
2. Cheerfully participate in all assignments and activities and abide by the decisions and schedules set by the ThereforeGo SERVE Host Team.
3. Recognize the value of other's life stories and reflections and take the opportunity to listen and learn from other students, leaders, and the people of the community as we work together.
4. Show respect for authority and refrain from abusive or offensive language, manipulative behaviors, and violations of site policies. Failure to comply with behavioral expectations may result in my being sent home at my expense. I 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 expense.

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 God-honoring unity, submitting in love, the stage is set to make a tremendous impact on the students and the community.