# Parental Consent and Authorization for Minors under the Age of 18 Foreign Travel

Parents or legal guardians of minor children are required to complete this form and return to the team leader. If you have sole custody, provide a copy of the court decree to your team coordinator. The team leader will bring these documents (all pages) on the trip for verification. This form is NOT valid if completed by the child traveling. This form must be signed by both parents (as applicable) or the legal guardian and the temporary guardian (if applicable) in the presence of a notary. The information requested is designed to assist the church in providing for the safety of minors during church-sponsored activities.

Minor's Name ("Child"):		Date of Birth:			
Street Address:		City, State, Zip:			
Father's Name:	ation):	Father's Email: City, State, Zip:			
		Cell:			
Mother's Name:		Mother's Email:			
Mother's Address:		City, State, Zip:			
Mother's Phone Numbers – Home:	Work: _	Cell:			
Detailed Description of Activities:					
Transportation (as of this date), Subject to Change:					
Activities Including but Not Limited to:					
Dates and Locations of Activities:					

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Medical Information:	
Family Doctor: Doctor's Phone:	
Insurance Company:	Policy Number:
Is your Child presently being treated for injury/sickness or taking a	any form of medication? If yes, explain.
Please list medications, foods, or environmental conditions that C	hild is allergic to, and expected reactions.
Does your Child have any physical condition or illness that would trip? If yes, explain.	prevent him or her from participating on this mission
Does your Child have (or ever had) any medical condition that co	uld require special attention? If yes, explain.
Are there any activities that you would not want your Child to parti	cipate in? If yes, explain.
l approve the following travel plans:	
Dates of Travel:	Team Confirmation #:
Destinations/City and State:	
I authorize the team leader to make any changes to the travel plan	ns specified above as circumstances dictate.
Sending Church:	Church Location:
Medical Treatment Authorization	
I/We, the parent(s) and/or legal guardian(s) of Child, understand t involving the Child. However, if we, or either of us, cannot be reach of necessary medical services in the event the Child is injured or leader on this trip to make emergency medical care decisions or provider.	ned, we authorize the calling of a doctor and the providing becomes ill. We authorize the temporary guardian or any
I/We the parent(s) and/or legal guardian(s) of Child understand the	at The General Council of the Assemblies of God and its

I/We, the parent(s) and/or legal guardian(s) of Child, understand that The General Council of the Assemblies of God and its affiliated ministries, and/or any Assemblies of God church and/or District Council, and/or any Assemblies of God school, college or university (collectively "GC") and/or any of their officers, directors, employees, volunteers, and agents, shall not be responsible for medical expenses incurred on the basis of this authorization, and we hereby agree to hold harmless, defend and indemnify GC, its parents, subsidiaries and affiliates, officers, directors, employees, volunteers, and agents from

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all obligations, damages, losses, attorney's fees, defense costs, demands, investigations, actions, liabilities, claims, crossactions, third-party actions, causes of action, of any kind or nature whatsoever, pertaining to the provision of medical services for our Child. It is our express intention to defend, indemnify and hold harmless GC from all claims arising out of, or resulting from, or in any manner relating to the treatment, medical or otherwise, of our Child.

I/We agree to notify GC in the event of any health changes which would restrict the Child's participation in this mission trip. We also understand that any GC representative reserves the right to restrict the Child from any activity for any reason.

## **Policy Requirements for Minors**

Guidelines for minors, have been established by The General Council of the Assemblies of God and are taken from U.S. Child labor laws, U.S. Department of State International Travel Guidelines, and IRS criteria for volunteer labor and travel expenses abroad. Our desire is to give everyone an opportunity to serve on a team trip. We do not intend to stifle any persons from being in a position for God to speak to their hearts regarding future involvement in missions. Minors under age 18 are allowed to travel without a parent or legal guardian, but they must have a signed Parental Consent and Authorization form and travel insurance coverage through Mission Assure. The team leader will assign one or more adults to supervise the Child at all times for the duration of the trip.

## Consent, Certification, and Assumption of Risk

### WARNING REGARDING COVID-19

I/We, the parent(s) and/or legal guardian(s) of Child acknowledge the contagious nature of the Coronavirus/COVID-19 and that the CDC and many other public health authorities recommend practicing social distancing. I/We further acknowledge that the General Council has put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of the Coronavirus/COVID-19. I further acknowledge that the General Council cannot guarantee that I will not become infected with the Coronavirus/COVID-19. I 9. I/We understand that the risk of becoming exposed to and infected by the Coronavirus/COVID-19 may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself and others, including, but not limited to, the General Council and its employees and staff. I/We voluntarily seek to have our child participate in the above event and acknowledge that I/We are increasing their risk to exposure to the Coronavirus/COVID-19. I/We acknowledge that we are solely responsible for compliance with all applicable precautionary measures of my state and local health agencies, and the CDC.

Under Missouri law, any individual entering the premises or engaging the services of the business waives all civil liability against the individual or entity for any damages based on inherent risks associated with an exposure or potential exposure to COVID-19, except for recklessness or willful misconduct.

I/We, the parent(s) and/or legal guardian(s) of Child attest that:

• Our child is not experiencing any symptoms of illness such as cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fever, chills, repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, new loss of taste or smell, and/or has not tested positive for COVID-19 within 10 days prior to the event.

IN CONSIDERATION of our Child being accepted for this mission trip, I/We, the undersigned, being the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of the Child named above do hereby consent to the Child's participation on a team outreach sponsored by GC to the destination noted above, including, but not limited to, all of the activities customarily associated with a "GC" trip unless noted above.

- <u>Status</u> Further, I/We hereby certify that the Child is physically fit and adequately trained to participate in an overseas team trip. I/We have contacted either our public health department or a travel clinic and our family doctor regarding vaccinations, immunizations, and other precautions for the prevention of disease. I/We further certify that the Child has followed and is following all procedures (shots, serums, medications, etc.) recommended by our family doctor and the above agencies.
- 2. <u>Risks of international travel; U.S. State Department and CDC warnings</u> I/We the parent(s) and/or legal guardian(s) are aware of the hazards and risks to the Child and property associated with serving in a missions capacity, such hazards and risks including but not being limited to injury; increased stress; accident; disease (including Coronavirus/Covid-19); inadequate medical services and supplies; death; criminal acts (including terrorism); natural disasters; weather conditions; government action; risks of traveling to or from international destinations; and foreign political, legal, medical, social, and economic conditions. The country or countries to which the Child will travel may have health and safety

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standards that differ from those enjoyed in the United States, and I/we recognize that the Child may be subjected to potential risks, illnesses, injuries, and even death. I/We have made investigation of these risks, understand these risks, and assume them knowingly and willingly on our own and the Child's behalf. We further recognize that such risks have always been associated with missionary service. (2 Corinthians 11:23-28)

I/We also acknowledge that in working, living and traveling in cities abroad, the Child may experience problems associated with urban living, including increased crime, pollution, high population density or standards of living and health standards that are different from those to which he or she is accustomed to in the United States. We acknowledge that it is my/our responsibility to take every precaution to ensure that the Child knows the required measures needed to safeguard his/her health and to protect his/her personal belongings from damage or theft.

I/We have read and understood all information on the U.S. State Department website (http://travel.state.gov) about the country or countries to which the Child is traveling, including, without limitation, the U.S. Department of State Consular Information Sheet and the State Department Warning (if applicable). I/We also have reviewed the U.S. Centers for Disease Control health advisory information relating to travel abroad found at <a href="http://www.cdc.gov/travel">http://www.cdc.gov/travel</a>, and any additional information available from the World Health Organization website (http://www.who.int/) and Travel.State.Gov.

I/We understand and agree that if, during the Child's participation in the above-described activities, GC learns that he/she is experiencing serious health problems, has suffered an injury, or is otherwise in a situation that raises significant health and safety concerns, then GC may contact the person whose name is provided as "emergency contact."

3. I/We understand that while the above-named Child participates on a team trip, he or she is responsible to comply with all orders and directives of the team leader and/or the Assemblies of God missionary in charge.

### 4. GENERAL RELEASE AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK:

KNOWING THE RISKS DESCRIBED ABOVE, WE AGREE, ON BEHALF OF OURSELVES AND OUR CHILD, FAMILY, HEIRS, AND PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, TO ASSUME ALL THE **RISKS AND RESPONSIBILITIES SURROUNDING OUR CHILD'S PARTICIPATION IN THE** ABOVE-DESCRIBED ACTIVITIES, BOTH KNOWN AND UNKNOWN. TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW. WE RELEASE. HOLD HARMLESS. AND AGREE TO INDEMNIFY THE GENERAL COUNCIL OF THE ASSEMBLIES OF GOD, AND ITS AFFILIATED MINISTRIES, AND ANY ASSEMBLIES OF GOD CHURCH AND/OR DISTRICT COUNCIL. AND ANY ASSEMBLIES OF GOD SCHOOL, COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY AND THEIR OFFICERS. DIRECTORS, EMPLOYEES, VOLUNTEERS, AND AGENTS, FROM AND AGAINST ANY PRESENT OR FUTURE CLAIMS, LOSSES, LIABILITIES, COSTS AND EXPENSES FOR INJURY TO PERSON OR PROPERTY, OR FOR ANY OTHER DAMAGE, WHICH OUR CHILD MAY SUFFER, OR FOR WHICH OUR CHILD MAY BE LIABLE TO ANY OTHER PERSON, **RELATED TO OUR CHILD'S PARTICIPATING IN SAID ACVITIVITIES (INCLUDING PERIODS** IN TRANSIT TO OR FROM DESTINATIONS), RESULTING FROM ANY CAUSE, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO NEGLIGENCE ON OUR CHILD'S PART OR ON THE PART OF ANY OF THE RELEASED PARTIES: PROVIDED THAT THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY SHALL NOT APPLY TO GROSS NEGLIGENCE OR WILLFUL OR WANTON MISCONDUCT.

5. <u>Ransom policy</u>- I/We understand and accept the following policy regarding ransom payments:

The World Missions Board has determined that GC will not pay ransom or yield to the demands of anyone who takes one of our missionary family or staff hostage. GC will also not encourage or participate in third-party payments of ransom. GC pledges itself to every effort in prayer and will take all reasonable steps to secure the release of any member held hostage and/or detained. GC strongly opposes the payment of any extorted commodities or service and will not pay expenses incurred by captors. GC will not permanently concede land or remove missionaries from ministry locations as a part of any negotiated settlement with hostage takers. GC believes that this approach helps reduce the risk of GC personnel being targeted for kidnapping and was made after sufficient study of the policies of other evangelical missionary agencies and after considering the advice of the United States State Department.

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- 6. I/We expressly waive any defense to the enforcement of any provision of this commitment arising from a claim of lack of consideration and warrant that this commitment constitutes a legal, valid, and binding obligation upon me/us enforceable against me/us in accordance with its terms.
- 7. Invalidation of any one or more of the provisions of this Agreement shall in no way affect any of the other provisions hereof, which shall remain in full force and effect.
- 8. I/We expressly agree that this assumption of risk, release, and indemnity agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by law. I/We further state that I/WE HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS AGREEMENT AND UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS, AND I/WE VOLUNTARILY SIGN THIS AGREEMENT AS MY/OUR OWN FREE ACT.

## Photograph & Video Release Form

I/We hereby grant GC permission to the rights of the Child's image, likeness, and sound of their voice as recorded on audio or video tape without payment or any other consideration. I/We understand that the Child's mage may be edited, copied, exhibited, published, or distributed and waive the right to inspect or approve the finished product wherein the Child's likeness appears. Additionally, I/We waive any right to royalties or other compensation arising or related to the use of the Child's image or recording.

I/We agree that GC may use such images of the Child with or without the Child's name and for any lawful purpose, including for example such purposes as publicity, illustration, advertising, and web content.

There is no time limit on the validity of this release nor is there any geographic limitation on where these materials may be distributed.

I/We acknowledge that I/We have completely read and fully understand the above release and agree to be bound thereby. I/We hereby release, defend, hold harmless and indemnify GC from any and all claims for utilizing this material.

### **Insurance Election**

I/We are aware of the hazards and risks to the Child associated with serving in a mission's capacity. I/We further understand that GC currently requires the insurance coverages summarized below, that the cost of the insurance is included with the trip, and that I/We are responsible for obtaining any additional insurance coverages that I/We consider necessary.



Travel Insurance Program 

For Medical or Security Assistance: Call outside the US +1-202-659-7803 Within US and Canada 1-800-243-6124 Email: OPS@europassistance-usa.com	
Policy: ADDN10846419 24 HOURS A DAY/7 DAYS A WEEK	Foreign Missions
Administered by	AGFinancial Insurance
Accidental Death & Dismemberment	\$100,000
Accident Permanent Total Disability	\$100,000 after 365 waiting period
Accident Medical Expense Benefit	N/A
Emergency Medical Expense Benefit (Guarantee of payment)	\$10,000
Out of Country Medical Expense Benefit (Injury & Sickness)	\$100,000 benefit \$0 deductible
Emergency Medical Evacuation	100% of covered expenses
Repatriation of Mortal Remains	100% of covered expenses
Family Coordination / Emergency Medical Reunion	100% of covered expenses
Security Evacuation, including natural disaster evacuation	\$100,000
Foreign General Liability/Auto Liability	\$2,000,000 per occurrence/ \$5,000,000 aggregate \$2,000,000 Contingent Auto
Pre-existing Conditions	Treated as any other medical condition
War Coverage (AD&D, Medical & Evac)	Worldwide

Mission Assure<sup>™</sup> Travel Insurance Program is for AG short-term mission trips no longer than 365 days.

This Description of Coverage is a brief description of the important features of the insurance pian. It is not a contract of insurance. The terms and conditions of coverage are set forth in the Policy issued to the Policyholder. The Policy is subject to the laws of the state in which it is issued. Coverage may not be available in all states or certain terms and conditions may be different if required by state law.

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### **Temporary Guardianship**

A temporary guardianship is required if neither parent is traveling with their Child. The temporary guardian must be 21 years old and must sign this form in the presence of a notary public.

I/We the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of the Child listed above do hereby grant temporary guardianship of Child to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as temporary guardian, for the dates and travel plans listed above. This Temporary Guardianship agreement will serve as a legal and binding document that will allow the Child to obtain medical treatment and to make any decisions regarding the needs of the Child for this period.

I/We understand and agree that no oral or written representations can or will alter the contents of this document. This Agreement shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Missouri, excluding its choice of law rules, and all claims relating to or arising out of this Agreement, including claims for injuries or wrongful death in any way related to the above-described activities, shall likewise be governed by the laws of the State of Missouri, excluding its choice of law rules.

### We attest to the truthfulness, accuracy, and validity of the foregoing statements.

Minor's Name:	
Father's/Legal Guardian's Signature	Date
Mother's/Legal Guardian's Signature	Date
Temporary Guardian's Signature (if applicable)	Date
Certificate of Acknowledgement of Notary Public STATE OF Acknowledged before me on By And And And	(date) (parental/legal guardian) (parent/legal guardian)
Signature of Notarial Officer	
Notary Public for the State of	My commission expires: