



MISSION TRIP ORIENTATION MANUAL

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Life Connection Mission Montrouis, Haiti



PREFACE

If God has called you to participate in a mission trip to Haiti, be prepared for a memorable experience! Only 600 miles from the southern tip of the Florida peninsula, Haiti is the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere. This provides us with a unique opportunity to make a tremendous difference amidst indescribable poverty right in our own back yard. The need is urgent, but the reward is great. Being in Haiti, meeting the people we serve, and seeing God's work in action often lead to the deepest understanding of and commitment to the mission. Once you visit, you will never look at the world or your purpose in it the same way again.

While Life Connection Mission strives to make its missionaries as comfortable as possible during their stay, you should keep in mind that many of the amenities Americans enjoy do not exist in Haiti. Be prepared for cold showers, sporadic electricity, and little access to shopping centers or hospitals. With this in mind, a mission trip to Haiti may not be advisable for everyone, including those with serious medical conditions, stringent dietary requirements, or severe heat intolerance. If you decide that a trip to Haiti is not right for you, we encourage you to explore the many other important ways you can use your energy and talents to help the mission.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Life Connection Mission's goal is to provide a quality education; to support responsible, productive graduates; and to minister to the various needs of the community in the village of Montrouis (pronounced mow-ee), Haiti. In order to meet this mission, we do the following:

- Administer the Institute Educatif Excellence de Montrouis and sponsorship program for the school, which serves more than 500 students
- Provide a feeding program at the school
- Minister to the general needs of the community
- Partner with and host medical missions
- Build homes and other facilities
- Provide evangelical outreach
- Host incoming groups that wish to visit and help with the ongoing needs of Haiti

A non-denominational, faith-based organization, Life Connection Mission welcomes our brothers and sisters from all backgrounds who are led to help in this important purpose. We hope this manual will serve as a helpful resource as you prepare for your trip and during your stay. Please remember, if you have any questions or need assistance in planning your trip, we are always happy to help!

2. BEFORE THE TRIP

FIRST THINGS FIRST

If you would like to organize a mission team to Montrouis, the first step is to contact **Dale Moyers (301.370.6426)** or **Peggy Moyers (301.370.6427)**, who maintain the master schedule of planned mission trips. They will help you schedule your trip so that it does not conflict with other incoming teams, as well as ensure that the necessary arrangements are made to host your group. Sleeping quarters, transportation, and meals in Haiti will be provided for your mission team.

COST

Airfare costs will vary by departure city and are subject to frequent change. A good rule of thumb is to plan early and check rates frequently to find the best fares. Major airlines offering service from the United States to Port-au-Prince include American Airlines, Air France, Delta, Jet Blue, and Spirit Airlines.

The mission charges \$60 per person, per day for your stay (including the first and last day of your visit). This includes lodging, two meals a day, and bottled water. Transportation to and from the airport is an additional \$60 per person roundtrip. You will be responsible for the cost of other food and additional beverages that you may wish to purchase during your stay, as well as for any additional transportation needs.

HOW TO PREPARE

The best place to start is to pray for the trip, traveling safety, the project, the people of Haiti, and your team members!

Identify a ministry area and start collecting donations to bring with you on the trip. See "Items for Ministry" on page 5 for ideas. Once you have identified possible ministry projects for your team, begin collecting money, supplies, and donated items from your church and community to help with your efforts.

A valid passport is required for all travel to Haiti (check your passport's expiration date to confirm that it is current). The website for passport information is <http://travel.state.gov/passport>. You may also contact any post office or courthouse for a passport application. Passport photos are available at most pharmacies, Wal-Mart, etc. Bring two copies of your passport—one for your pocket and one for the mission to hold for you in case you misplace your passport. In addition, leave a copy at home with a friend or family member in case you lose your passport while traveling.

VACCINATIONS

See your local health department or the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (www.cdc.gov/vaccines) travel information for recommended vaccinations. It is generally recommended that you be vaccinated for Hepatitis A and B (if not already received), typhoid (every 5 years), and tetanus (every 5 years). A meningitis vaccine is also suggested for international travelers.

Anti-malaria medication is also recommended; contact your regular physician or a travel clinic for a prescription. Please plan early, since some medications and vaccinations may need to be administered well in advance of your trip.

HOW TO PACK

Baggage allowances will vary by airline and are subject to frequent change. Most airlines now charge fees for checked luggage, and may restrict baggage quantity and weight depending on your time of travel (such as holidays or other peak travel times). Be sure to check with your airline carrier for their most recent baggage policies and plan accordingly.

Remember, there is no guarantee that your checked baggage will arrive in Haiti when you do, so pack essentials in your carry-on luggage (such as medications, a change of clothes, toiletries, etc.). The Transportation Security Administration allows one quart-size Ziploc bag of items containing liquids, gels, pastes, etc., limited to 3 ounces each, in your carry-on. If you are bringing shampoo, lotion, toothpaste, or other similar items as donations, this should be packed in your checked luggage.

Pack snacks in your carry-on, since no meals are served on the plane and your next meal won't be until the evening of your arrival. You are required to keep your carry-on items with you at all times, so take only what you can physically manage. Place the following mission contact number on your luggage tags in case your luggage is lost en route to Haiti: **509.3476.7030**. This number is subject to change, so please confirm with your coordinator before departure.

WHAT TO TAKE

When packing for Haiti, keep in mind that it is **very hot**. We suggest bringing light-colored, lightweight clothing. Please remember that we are a Christian mission and, as such, clothing should be respectful and in good taste at all times. In spite of the heat, you may want to bring along a set of more formal clothes for attending church and/or visiting the mission school during business hours (see Section 6, General Guidelines for more information on formal dress). If your stay is during the winter months, a lightweight jacket may be needed for an occasional cool evening.

The sun is usually shining, and therefore sunglasses, sunscreen, and a hat are a must. You will be on your feet a lot and walking on unpaved roads, so bring comfortable shoes that you won't mind getting dirty. Flats are suggested for dress shoes.

It is not advisable to use your best luggage, since it will likely become soiled and/or damaged. Consider asking your supporters to donate luggage for your trip—many people have an old suitcase or two that they would be happy to contribute to a good cause.

The mission is always in need of toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, and other toiletries for the kids and employees and as a back-up for future guests who may have forgotten something.

Laundry is available at the site for a small fee. We cannot be held responsible should any clothes be ruined.

Since there are no American-style grocery stores in Montrouis, you should bring snacks along with you that will travel well and don't need to be refrigerated, such as nuts, granola bars, pouches of tuna, jerky, crackers, and peanut butter.

Remember to pack all of your medications and bring more than you need in case there are flight delays. Be sure to bring prescription labels for your medications. We also suggest bringing a pain reliever, antacid, anti-histamine, Immodium, Band-Aids, Neosporin, and insect repellent.

You may want to check with your airline about bringing a 2nd or 3rd bag of supplies for an additional cost. Decide what ministry would most interest your group and bring necessary supplies. If you will need a lot of supplies, consider shipping these supplies ahead of your trip. A 55-gallon barrel can be purchased and shipped from the U.S. to Haiti for \$200. Please plan at least 3 months in advance to ship goods. Contact Dale Moyers for more information.

Below we have provided a checklist to help you pack:

- ___ Passport and two copies (one to keep with you, one to leave in your room)
- ___ Airline tickets
- ___ Flashlight/dot-it lights
- ___ Bible
- ___ Water bottle
- ___ Sunglasses
- ___ Hat
- ___ Tennis shoes and/or work shoes
- ___ Water shoes
- ___ Sandals or flip flops
- ___ Camera (with extra film/memory card)
- ___ Extra batteries
- ___ Personal snacks or comfort food
- ___ Prescription medicine and labels
- ___ Malaria prevention prescription (check with your doctor)
- ___ Treats for children (crackers, peanuts, raisins, hard candy, lollipops, gum, etc.)
- ___ Swimsuit
- ___ Bug repellent
- ___ Toiletries (soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothbrush, toothpaste, etc.)
- ___ Sunscreen
- ___ Lanyard or keychain for your room key
- ___ Creole/English dictionary

A safe water dispenser will be available on-site, but please bring a water bottle. Please pack carefully, as

supplies may not be available in Haiti. Do not bring valuables or expensive jewelry.

ITEMS FOR MINISTRY

Areas of ministry include evangelism, the school and feeding program, medical clinics, and building projects. Your trip leader will suggest possible ministry projects and items that are needed. The following supplies are always appreciated:

- Good, clean clothing for all ages appropriate for a warm climate
- Shoes for all ages in good condition
- Children's underwear, socks, and white undershirts
- Personal hygiene items such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, lotion, deodorant, shampoo, soap, and hand sanitizer. (Your dentist may want to donate toothbrushes and toothpaste.)
- Watches, flashlights, and batteries
- Spiral notebooks
- Pencils, pens, and sharpie markers
- New or gently used backpacks
- Solar-powered calculators
- Small toys, stuffed animals, purses, and costume jewelry to give to the children
- Balls (deflate them), pumps, and needles
- Over-the-counter medications such as ointments; ibuprofen; children's cold medicines; Pedialyte; vitamins (adult, children's, and prenatal); infant and children's Tylenol; children's Benadryl
- Rulers, protractors, and compasses
- Bath towels and washcloths
- Sheets for the mission and others in need
- Infant formula/diapers/baby clothes
- Musical instruments for music ministry
- Bibles and other books in French

It is always a good idea to get pictures of donated items being distributed so that you can show them to those who donated. This encourages our supporters to keep on giving!

MINISTRY IDEAS

Please discuss your ideas for ministry with your coordinator. Some ideas include:

- Vacation Bible School for the children
- After-school activities for the school children
- Adult Bible study
- Music and drama ministries
- Skills-related classes
- Sports ministry
- Construction projects
- Medical clinics
- Community outreach, such as food distribution

3. TRAVEL AND SECURITY

While traveler's health insurance is optional, most personal health insurance plans do not cover medical care in a foreign country or emergency transportation back to the United States. One source for traveler's insurance is www.moodyinsurance.com. Some airlines also offer travel insurance. International travel insurance generally costs from \$2.50 to \$5 per day depending on your age and the type and amount of coverage desired. Check with a travel agent regarding health insurance.

4. THE FLIGHT TO HAITI

You should arrive at the airport 2-3 hours before your flight's scheduled departure. **Be sure to keep your luggage claim checks, as they will ask to see them in Haiti to claim your bags.** On the flight to Port-au-Prince, you will be asked to fill out a form for international travel. The purpose of your visit is "recreation." You will be asked to write the full address of your destination: 23 Quesqueya, Montrouis.

You will also be asked to fill out a customs form. Check all three boxes "No." Keep these forms out with your passport—you will need them as soon as you go inside the airport. Before exiting the plane, also place

\$10-\$12 in an easily accessible place (i.e., pocket, lanyard) for the baggage cart/porter and secure your valuables.

5. ARRIVAL IN HAITI

Once in the terminal, follow the crowd downstairs to the immigration area. You will need to pay a \$10 tourist fee before proceeding to the immigration officer. You will hand your passport and the green international travel form to the immigration officer, and you will get a portion of the form and your passport back. **Be sure to keep the green portion returned to you. This is your temporary visa, and you cannot leave the country without it!**

After clearing immigration, proceed to the baggage claim area. Luggage carts are available for a small fee. Have this money handy (in a pocket even before getting off the plane). Get a cart if you have a lot of luggage and hold onto it or have someone from your group watch it as you claim your bags. Porters are available to help you with your bags. If you hire a porter, stay with them closely. A reasonable tip is \$8-10 if they push the cart all the way to the truck. (Also have this money handy so that you are not fumbling with a wallet or money on the outside of the airport.)

After you have all of your luggage, you will then proceed to the exit where you will give an official your Haiti customs form (1A-1) and baggage receipts. Stay with your group and go through this step together. Your bags may be searched at this point.

There is usually a noisy crowd of people outside of the airport asking for money and reaching for bags. They are not trying to steal, but want to carry the bags to the car in exchange for money. Simply hang on to your bags and say "No thanks." They understand what that means. You may hear "give me a dollar," but ***please don't give them any money.*** If you have a large group or need help, your coordinator may select one or two men to help load luggage—let the coordinator pick someone and pay them.

Here are some helpful Creole phrases:

I don't want help. *Mwen pa bezwen èd.*
I don't have money. *Mwen pa gen lajan.*
No thanks. *No meci.*

Move through the crowd quickly, staying with your group and look for your LCM escort. They will have t-shirts with LCM written very large across the front and an LCM sign. If you do not see someone from LCM, do not panic, they are there! Ask to borrow the porter's phone (they will happily let you). Call Benoit Rebecca first at 509.3476.7030. (If you are borrowing a Haitian's phone, you do not need to dial the initial 509). If you cannot reach Benoit, call Dale Moyers at 301.370.6426 or Peggy Moyers at 301.370.6427. Give the porter an extra \$2 if using his phone. Once you are in the vehicle, you will begin the ride of your life.

The trip to Montrouis takes approximately 1½ hours, depending on possible delays which are frequent in Haiti. Along the way, you will see signs of extreme poverty—barely clothed children, piles of garbage, bony donkeys, and people bathing and getting drinking water in the same river. In spite of the challenges facing them, you will find the people of Haiti very pleasant. When it is time to leave Haiti, you will find yourself wishing you could stay longer, and you will catch yourself laughing about how you felt when you first arrived. Hopefully, you will already be planning your next trip.

When you arrive in Montrouis, put your passports and money in the safe for storage.

6. WHILE IN HAITI

ACCOMMODATIONS

The rooms at the mission are dormitory style with shared bathrooms. The cost of \$60 per day covers lodging and two meals daily (breakfast and an early dinner). You will eat food prepared by Haitian cooks who use safe food-handling practices.

Electricity is not always reliable. Although we have solar panels, a generator, and inverters, we sometimes need to limit power usage. Bring a flashlight and battery operated devices (radio, clock, etc.) There is no air conditioning or hot water. Team members are encouraged to use bottled water to drink and brush their teeth. Please bring bed linens and towels if you can spare them, since the mission can always use more.

COMMUNICATION

Internet service is available intermittently. Ask the on-site coordinator to let you know when you are able to use a computer. Check with your cell phone provider about whether service is offered in Haiti. If you need to call home during your trip, one of the mission staff members will happily allow you to borrow their phone. Please pay them for the use and be mindful of their minutes. Limit calls to no more than 5 minutes, and we suggest \$3 (US) to pay for your call.

SPONSORSHIP

A wonderful goal for everyone who visits the mission is to try to find at least one sponsor for an unsponsored child you meet in Haiti upon your return to the United States. Sponsorship forms are available on the mission's website and page 11 of this manual.

While you are in Haiti, ask your LCM staff leader to gather some of the nonsponsored children at the mission school. Take pictures of you or members of your group with the children. When you return to the states, share these pictures with your friends and family and encourage them to consider sponsoring a child at our mission school. If they have questions that you are unable to answer, please direct them to our webpage or call Dale Moyers.

HAITIAN CULTURE

Here are a few cultural differences in Haiti that you may not expect:

- Haitians are physical people. Hand-holding, embracing, cheek kissing, and shaking hands are cultural norms. Be prepared for this and realize that nobody is trying to “get fresh” or be rude if they touch you.
- If you are walking with one of the sponsored kids, do not be surprised if they feel compelled to carry whatever you may be carrying. As this is simply a sign of respect for his or her elder, please allow them to do this for you and offer a simple “thank you” in return.
- Motor vehicles and bicycles have the right-of-way, not pedestrians! Please be careful as you walk through the community.
- If you hear the word “blan,” it is most likely from a child. In Creole, “blan” means “white,” but is typically used for “foreigner” of any kind. Please do not take offense; this is not a derogatory term, just a recognition that you are different.
- Haitians are sharing people. It is not uncommon to see a Haitian child split a piece of bread with another child. These kids know hunger, but also understand the importance of sharing. It can be heart-wrenching and heart-warming all at the same time.

GENERAL GUIDELINES

Below we have provided some guidelines and helpful tips to follow during your stay at the mission. The safety and comfort of the mission guests, as well as respect for our Haitian friends, are top priorities. Life Connection Mission is committed to providing a friendly and hospitable environment for our missionaries and those we serve—and we want to welcome you and your team back to Montrouis again and again! If you have questions or concerns about any of the mission’s policies, or suggestions for future trips, please don’t hesitate to contact us.

Leaving the Compound

Please do not be a loner! It’s best to stay with your team when possible and important to be accompanied

by someone else whenever you leave the mission compound. Always check with an on-site coordinator before leaving the compound.

Church Services

It is a good idea to take a bottle of water to church; it can get hot in there! Guests are often asked to speak at the church service, and an offering will be collected. Please give as you normally would at church.

Translators

Translators can be arranged through the mission if you wish to communicate with your sponsor children or others in the community. The mission will provide one translator every day. If you feel your group will need additional translation help, please make arrangements with your on-site coordinator.

Distributing Donations

Please check with your on-site coordinator to determine the best way to distribute any donated items you have brought with you.

Giving money away is not a good idea, as this can cause problems for future visitors and missionaries. We have established a benevolent fund to help families of the sponsored children and members of several churches in the community. You can be sure that contributions to this fund are distributed in a careful and thoughtful manner to those in need.

Tipping

We encourage groups to put together an offering for the many staff members and volunteers who help at the mission and work hard to make your trip a success. If you desire to leave a tip, please consult with your coordinator. The money will be pooled, and workers will not know how much came from particular individuals.

Keeping the Mission Clean

Please don’t litter. Abundant trash and a lack of waste management are creating a national health crisis in Haiti. We should serve as role models to the children of Montrouis and encourage them to keep their community clean.

We also ask that our guests not disturb or take anything from the sea, including shells, to help protect the sensitive marine environment.

The mission's septic system is sensitive, to say the least. Therefore, we remind our guests to not flush anything down the toilet except toilet paper. We appreciate the working toilets—and we're sure you will too!

Valuables

Never leave anything unattended, and do not assume someone else is watching your valuables. Also, never expose large sums of money—please be discreet!

Daily Schedule

A typical day's schedule includes coffee and breakfast between 7 a.m. and 9 a.m. and dinner at 5 p.m. "Patience" and "flexibility" are two key words in Haiti. You're on Haitian time now! Transportation may not always arrive on time, plans may change at a moment's notice, and materials may not be available as planned.

Conduct

Life Connection Mission is in Haiti to help the people of Montrouis, and we want to represent our mission well. As such, there should be no profanity, rude behavior, or inappropriate relationships with the Haitian people. In general, the mission discourages alcohol consumption while participating on a mission team. Life Connection Mission also seeks to provide a smoke-free environment for the health and comfort of our guests. If you have any questions or concerns about these requests, please consult your trip coordinator.

Formal Attire

In general, you should be prepared for a lot of activity and warm weather, so plan to dress accordingly. There are a couple of situations, however, that will warrant more formal dress. Like many churches in the United States, Haitian church services are a formal gathering where you will find the parishioners dressed in their "Sunday best." Likewise, Haitian schools usually have dress codes, and the mission school is no exception. The students wear uniforms, and the teachers dress very professionally, a reflection of the high level of respect given to teachers in Haiti. You will typically

see men in dress slacks and collared shirts with ties. Women commonly wear dresses or long skirts and blouses with sleeves. Please keep this in mind if you would like to attend a church service and/or visit the school during business hours.

Inviting Guests to the Mission

Ask your on-site coordinator for approval before inviting guests to visit the mission. Approved guests may eat breakfast or dinner at the mission for \$20 per meal.

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

Travel

The roads in Haiti are rough at best, and travel can sometimes be slow. Please keep this in mind when making time-sensitive travel plans (such as your return trip to the airport). Also be prepared for dust, diesel fumes, and smoke in the air—they are all part of the journey!

The mission charges \$60 per person roundtrip for transportation from Port-au-Prince on the day your scheduled flight arrives and return on your scheduled departure day. As expected, the lengthy trip to and from Port-au-Prince presents a significant expense for the mission. Therefore, any additional trips to Port-au-Prince due to anything not the fault of Life Connection Mission will result in a \$150 per vehicle used fee, or we will assist with arranging alternative transportation at your expense.

Special trips back to Port-au-Prince for reasons other than traveling to and from the airport must be planned in advance so that we may arrange to hire a driver, etc. Please plan to purchase any necessary supplies in Port-au-Prince on your day of arrival, or notify the mission of your needs in advance so we can get supplies before you arrive.

Money Issues and Shopping

Money in Haiti exists in gourdes (pronounced "gouds") and Haitian dollars. The exchange rate varies frequently, so consider checking rates before you travel.

There will be opportunities for you to make personal purchases of some of the items produced locally

(baskets, jewelry, wooden bowls, paintings, etc.). Local vendors can be scheduled at the compound, or you may go to a resort. We are happy to help you with the exchange rate and negotiating purchases if you wish.

Language

The official language in Haiti is French. Most business transactions and signage will use formal French. However, Haitian Creole is the common language. If you want to learn a little Creole before your trip, below are some helpful links for learning material. Haitians are thrilled and flattered to see a new visitor has taken the time to learn their language.

Haitian Creole by Pimsleur is a five-disc CD set published by Simon & Schuster. This very basic, listening only CD set helps with vocabulary and pronunciation and is available at Amazon.com.

Creole Made Easy by Wally R. Turnbull includes two CDs, a paperback book, and a workbook. Significantly more advanced than Pimsleur, this set provides help with sentence structure, pronunciation, verb tenses, and vocabulary. The set can be purchased from Amazon.com, or from Light Messages Publications (www.lightmessages.com).

If you are serious about learning Creole in depth, there is a course offered at Indiana University with a nice textbook and set of 10 CDs. *Ann Pale Kreyol* can be purchased at the following link:
<http://www.indiana.edu/~creole/orderform.html>

For those who have mastered some of the language and are involved in health care, you may wish to purchase *Haitian Creole for Health Care* by Marc Prou, Ph.D., and Mel Schorin or the *English/Haitian Creole Medical Dictionary* by Maude Heurtelou and Fequiere Vilsaint. Both can be purchased from Educa Vision, Inc., at www.educavision.com.

7. HOMEWARD BOUND

AIRPORT

Hopefully, you will have less to take home with you than you came with. It is best to place smaller suitcases

inside others so that you are required to check less baggage. Plan to arrive at the airport 2 ½ hours before your scheduled departure. When you arrive, men will try to carry your bags into the airport. Just say “no” and enter the airport with your luggage. Once inside the airport, your group leader will coordinate the check-in. Sometimes people will approach you to provide assistance. Just say “no thank you” and wait in line.

After checking your luggage, you will pass through three checkpoints. You will be required to show your passport and ticket at each. The green receipt given to you upon entry into the country will be taken at the first checkpoint.

The second checkpoint has booths where your passport will be stamped. After this, you may go upstairs where there are several souvenir shops, duty-free shopping, and places to eat.

The third checkpoint is the entrance to the passenger waiting area. You will pass through a final metal detector and enter the boarding area. The airline staff makes announcements in Haitian Creole and English. Flights are clearly marked on the departure board.

THE FLIGHT HOME

You will be asked to fill out a U.S. customs form. The purpose of your trip is “personal,” check all three boxes “no,” and write in the value of any items you purchased while in Haiti. You will give this form to the customs agent in Miami/Fort Lauderdale.

WHEN YOU LAND

As you deplane, follow the signs for U.S. Citizens with nothing to declare. Give the agent your customs form and passport. After this checkpoint, go to the baggage claims area, claim your luggage, and proceed to customs following the signs for U.S. Citizens. Give the agent your customs form; you may be stopped here to have your luggage inspected. After passing through customs, if you have a connecting flight, you will recheck your luggage and proceed to the gate.

8. AFTER YOUR TRIP

You will be excited and filled with an enthusiasm that should be shared with your church family and friends. Encourage others to participate on future mission trips so they too can fall in love with the people of Haiti and share God's love with them.

Hopefully you have taken plenty of pictures and slides during your trip. The mission would appreciate receiving your team's photos to be used in our publications and on our website. Please send your photos to Dale Moyers at dale@lifeconnectionmission.org. Also, please email some feedback and photos from your trip to our newsletter editor, Kathleen Hardesty, at kathleen@lifeconnectionmission.org so that we can share your stories with other mission supporters!

Consider holding a follow-up meeting with the team to share your pictures and talk about the trip. Make suggestions for future mission trips, and take note of what worked out well and what could be improved.

Work with your church congregation to plan an informational session about your mission trip for church members and other supporters. Consider developing a PowerPoint presentation or other slide show with photos from your trip. Also, take what souvenirs you may have purchased for display and include plenty of testimonies from the group.

We know that your hearts will be touched by the warmth and spirit of the children you will get to know at the mission. If you meet a child without a sponsor while in Haiti, we hope you will make it a personal goal to find him or her a sponsor upon your return to the United States. (A sample sponsorship form is provided below.) Our sponsorship efforts ensure that these children receive an education, a daily meal, and emergency medical care! Also, use your testimonial to encourage other teams to come to Haiti and share in the mission experience.

Thank you again for giving your time to touch the lives of the people in Haiti.



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Sponsorship Form

Date	Sponsor's Name		
Address	City	State	Zip
Home Phone	Cell Phone	Email Address	

Child Selection



Child's Name (if known)*: _____

* For a list of unsponsored children, please visit www.lifeconnectionmission.org

Please Choose: ___ Boy(s) ___ Girl(s) No Preference

Please Choose: Age Range _____ No Preference

The sponsorship cost of \$40 per month is used to pay for the tuition, books, and uniforms for one child to go to school. The child is also given lunch each school day and medical care if required. Sponsors will receive at least one picture a year along with information about the child's progress.



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