

Summer 2008

Guatemala

# INTERNATIONAL YOUTH MISSION TRIP

## APPLICATION AND INFORMATION

July 12-21, 2008

Join today

Risen Savior will be sponsoring our first ever International Youth Mission Trip to Guatemala. The mission will be run through our partnership with Side by Side Ministries. Side by Side has been organizing mission trips to Guatemala for three years and they work closely with a Catholic orphanage, Nuestros Pequeños Hermanos, [nph.org](http://nph.org).

This mission trip is open to youth who have already been on a mission trip with Risen Savior, have shown a serious commitment to growing in their faith, and who have gone through an interview with the Youth Minister. The interview will be schedule upon receiving your application.

The cost of this trip is significant and we will do what we can to enable you to fundraise the necessary amount. However, it is up to each individual person to make sure they come up with the cost of the trip. Participants of this trip will be included in the

fundraising efforts of the mission to the Apache Reservation.

If there are not enough youth who sign up to go to the International Mission they will have the option to join the Apache Reservation mission trip. We reserve the right to cancel the International Mission Trip due to lack of interest, deposits will be refunded in full in this case.

**Youth are expected to be active in faith growing activities as they prepare for the mission trip. This includes attending Sanctuary regularly to grow as a community.**

### The Organization:

The trip is sponsored by Risen Savior and run through a Minneapolis based ministry, Side by Side Ministries. Information about Side by Side can be found at [sbsyouth.org](http://sbsyouth.org).

### Transportation and Dates:

You will fly to Antigua, Guatemala and be transported by bus to the orphanage. Dates of the trip are

subject to change one day either way as we work with the mission airline.

### Housing:

We will be staying at the NPH Orphanage.

### Meetings:

There will be mandatory meetings scheduled once we find out how many people will be going on the trip and in conjunction with other area churches that are going.

### FAQs:

- Can I reserve a spot without paying the deposit?  
No, space is reserved on the full application is turned in and the deposit paid. If there is a financial burden, contact Travis and arrangements can be made.
- Does work count as an excused absence for meetings?  
NO! Please plan your schedule around meetings and fundraisers.

**There will be more forms to complete at a later date!**

COST	FUNDRAISERS	WHO	LEADERS	MEETINGS
\$2000 to cover the costs of travel, meals, activities, housing, site needs, and leader costs. There is a mandatory \$500 non-refundable deposit to begin the preparation.	Each member of the mission team is required to participate in the fundraisers.	Youth who have attended a Risen Savior mission trip in the past, have been interviewed, and show a willingness to serve and grow in their faith.	Leaders will be from the Side by Side Ministries Team and Staff.	There are monthly meetings to prepare for service, fundraise, and to build community. The first info meeting will be on January 23rd at 6 pm.

## **Mission Trip Application Checklist**

- Risen Savior Mission Release Signed and completed fully
- Questionnaire completed
- Contract Read and Signed by youth and parent
- Copy of insurance card turned in
- Deposit of \$500 payable to Risen Savior paid
- Interview with Travis Wyman scheduled
- Requested meeting nights off of work and put on calendar

# RISEN SAVIOR MISSION RELEASE AND CONTRACT

This must be completed fully prior to turning in your application.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_  
Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Sex: M F Grade in 2007-2008 school year \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(print legibly)

**In Case of Emergency:** I understand that every effort will be made to contact me. If I cannot be reached I hereby give Side by Side Ministries the permission to act in my behalf in seeking emergency treatment for my child in the event that such treatment is deemed necessary by Side by Side Ministries. I give my permission to those administering emergency treatment to do so, using those measures deemed necessary. I absolve Side by Side Ministries from liability in acting on my behalf in this regard so long as Side by Side Ministries is not grossly negligent. I hereby give permission to Side by Side Ministries to administer medications named to my child as well as general OTC cold, flu or pain medication unless listed as an allergy or otherwise stated. I agree to allow Side by Side Ministries to use the same release, liability, and policies set forth in the "2008 Risen Savior Participant Release Form" for all 2008 Mission Trip related activities. This includes but is not limited to meetings, fundraisers, travel, and other activities directly related to the Mission Trip. I authorize Side by Side Ministries to use photos or videos taken of my child at the event for Side by Side Ministries promotional purposes only.

Signature of Parent or Guardian \_\_\_\_\_  
Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

1. Why do you want to attend this Mission Trip, and what do you hope to learn from it?

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2. Read the mandatory meeting policy in the contract. What are your feelings of being expected and responsible for attending all mission trip meetings and fundraisers?

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3. Are there any potential conflicts with either the meeting dates, fundraisers, or the trip itself? Please take time to consider sports, tournaments, the arts, or any other personal conflicts.

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4. What are your talents and gifts that you bring to this mission trip?

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5. What are your expectations of people you will come in contact with throughout the trip (leaders, mission team members, tribal members?)

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## Questionnaire

### Mission Contract

You MUST agree to, sign, and abide by this contract to participate in the 2008 Mission Trip. Parent/Guardian and Youth must sign.

I agree to attend and participate in all scheduled meetings and fundraisers. I agree to contact the mission leader if I am unable to attend any meeting or fundraiser. I agree that if I miss any combination of two meetings or fundraisers due to unexcused reasons, I may be asked to forfeit by spot on the mission trip without a refund of the deposit or accumulated fundraising. I also understand that I will be responsible for the

balance of the cost, \$1000, for my spot on the trip.

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Youth Signature:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

### Parent/Guardian Agreement

I have read, agree, understand, and reviewed the terms of the contract with my child and agree to see that they are followed by my child.

I agree and understand that if my child withdraws or forfeits their spot due to not meeting the contract expectations listed there will be no refund of the \$500 deposit or any accumulated fundraiser earnings. I also understand that I will be responsible for the total cost of the work site, \$1000.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

*2008 Side by Side Ministries Covenant*

In order to have a safe and life-changing mission experience, clear expectations are needed between all who are involved. We desire to serve communities without bringing them any harm, as a result, we ask all participants of Side by Side Ministries trips, both youth and adult leaders, to agree to the following expectations in accordance with the purpose of a Side by Side Ministries mission trip.

The goal of the covenant is to ensure the knowledge of Side by Side Ministries policies, solidify your commitment to your group and demonstrate your respect of the community you will be serving.

- Because I want to truly help others as Jesus did, I agree to bring a servant, joyful attitude. I understand that I am on the trip to serve God, help a community, build new relationships and learn new things. I agree to come prepared to do so!
- Because I am aware that my actions have consequences beyond myself, I agree to obey all local laws and ordinances pertaining to use of drugs and alcohol by minors. I will not bring or use illegal substances on any Side by Side Ministries controlled ministry sites, on the property of our ministry partners or in vehicles of any Side by Side Ministries participants.
- Because I want nothing to distract me in this short week of serving others and because valuables are more susceptible to theft at a mission site, I understand that I am not to bring to the site a walkman, discman, portable radio or boom box, electronic games, lap top, mp3 player, ipod, portable DVD player or any other device that could potentially isolate me from those around me. I understand that cell phones are to be used for emergency purposes only.
- Because I am coming and returning with a group, I agree that this mission week is a group experience. I will do my best to build community, create relationships, be welcoming and include others. I agree to treat everyone - leaders, staff, other groups and community members - with the utmost respect.
- Because I know that how I treat people's things makes a statement, I agree that I will respect the property of all participants, the community members and the housing site in which we stay. I will conduct myself as a representative of Jesus Christ at all times, remembering the purpose of the trip and my responsibility as a witness to the community.
- Because I know that my parents and leaders care about my well-being, I agree to stay within the designated Side by Side Ministries boundaries, stay in groups of three or more, respect gender specific areas, follow rules at the ministry sites and communicate with my group. I agree to keep my personal safety foremost in all of my decisions.
- Because I do not want to cause harm to anyone, including myself, I agree to follow the clothing policy. I understand that the way I dress can affect my ministry and I will respect my group, the community and myself by dressing modestly. I also agree to respect gender rules and not enter sleeping areas and restrooms of the opposite gender.

I agree to follow all of the above because I desire to represent Jesus in a positive manner at all times.

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Participant/Adult Leader Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date