

“Best Practices” of SendMeNow Missions

- 1) Once I have accepted my assignment, I am committed.
 - I will complete my term of service, barring family crisis or medical emergency.
 - I will not leave the mission field for any reason without first discussing that with my direct supervisor and Clarissa Morrison
 - Once sendmenow missions has made financial obligations (bought airfare or paid any volunteer expenses) on my behalf, based on my commitments, I will become responsible for those financial expenditures should I decide for any reason other than agreed upon circumstances of crisis or emergency to not fulfill the commitments of my assignment.
- 2) I understand the expectation to maintain the highest standards of Christian character, conduct, and courtesy. I understand that in order to maintain the credibility of my Christian witness, I will endeavor to keep my character above reproach. In respect of Christian and cultural norms I understand that the use of alcohol, tobacco, pornography, sexual activity outside of marriage or other such activities that could call into question my integrity or hinder my witness are unacceptable and I will refrain from such practices.
- 3) I understand the sendmenow missions expectation concerning dating during my term of service. It is inappropriate to form dating or exclusive relationships while on the mission field. This applies to fellow missionaries and especially to locals. It is NEVER appropriate to form exclusive relationships with people in my ministry. I also understand that *excessive* use of the internet, email, text messaging, social networking sites, or telephone is also discouraged. I understand that anything that keeps my focus from my appointed ministry is discouraged---and THAT is the point. I agree to monitor myself, use my time wisely, and keep my head and heart in the game.
- 4) I understand the expectation to stay in contact with sendmenow staff. I will check email regularly, respond promptly, submit reports of my missions experience in a timely manner, and act responsibly to those who enable my missions opportunity.
- 5) I understand the expectation to treat others—including partners and team members, my supervisor, and those to whom I minister—with respect at all times.
- 6) I will be FLEXIBLE, understanding that mission experiences never come in neat packages. I will gladly deal with change based on the needs of the situation and guidance of my supervisor.
- 7) I understand the expectation to maintain a daily and healthy relationship with God, continuing to pursue my own spiritual growth and dedicating myself to prayer for my ministry as well as that of my fellow missionaries.
- 8) I understand the expectation to actively pursue good physical and mental health and will diligently continue use of all prescription and maintenance medications.