



# Air Travel Tips

- Check and re-check the baggage requirements for your airline; weight limit and number of bags. Remember, SendMeNow is only responsible for your first bag; after that, it's on you! Save your receipt if you have to pay for your first bag and sendmenow will reimburse you for it.
- Confirm your flight with the airline (either online or through an app) at least 24 hours before your flight. Flight times do change.
- Don't forget to have a copy of your itinerary with you and leave a copy with your parents at home!
- Arrive at the airport at least 2 hours before your flight; 3 hours for international flights.
- If there are other sendmenow students on your flight, make a plan to meet somewhere before you go through security. Don't be late!! You don't want to be the reason the rest of your team misses their flight. On the same note, don't wait too long on one person to get in line for security. You are responsible for you making your flight on time!!
- Check with your airlines/airports to confirm current mask requirements and other safety protocols.
- **Once you arrive, send a text or email to Clarissa to let her know!!**

## For International travel

- Make sure you have your passport with you at all times while you are traveling! Make a copy of your passport and your visa (where applicable) to leave at home and put a copy in each bag you take with you. Do the same with your travel insurance information.
- Once you arrive in your destination country, you will go through passport control where you may be asked some questions. Make sure your team leader or your supervisor on the field has given you an "STS" or "Short Truthful Statement" to use. You always need to tell the truth, but only answer questions that are asked of you. This is true of all countries, not just the ones that are closed to Christianity. Here are some good practices:
  - Know your STS; practice only answering the questions you are asked
  - Have a passcode on your phone and all other electronic devices so that no one can access them without you knowing.
  - Do not print out any emails or other information from your host missionary that could tie you to him/ her or vice versa. Make sure you have all of the information you need, but hand-write just what you need and keep it in your carry-on. This should be the address or phone number of where you are staying. Keep the information on hand as simple and minimal as possible!!
  - Be kind and respectful! Chances are you will be very tired when you arrive, but always remember to smile and be polite!
  - Follow any additional instructions given to you by your team leader and/or supervisor.



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