

Honduras

Virtual Mission Team Roles – August 18, 20, 22

¹² There is one body, but it has many parts. But all its many parts make up one body. It is the same with Christ. ¹³ We were all baptized by one Holy Spirit. And so we are formed into one body. It didn't matter whether we were Jews or Gentiles, slaves or free people. We were all given the same Spirit to drink. ¹⁴ So the body is not made up of just one part. It has many parts.

–1 Corinthians 12:12-14

Construction

This group will provide the team with information regarding construction projects in Honduras and details of what a construction team would do when on site at the mission.

Suggestions: *find out if there are any special local construction techniques used; find out about typical housing in the area: cost, house size, land ownership, etc.; put together a list of vocabulary words that a construction team should know in Spanish.*

Teamwork: *Give your vocabulary list to the team interpreter; ask the research team for income statistics, etc.*

Cultural Research

This group will provide the team with historical, cultural, and linguistic information related to mission area.

Suggestions: *Provide background on Methodism in Honduras; provide historical information on local churches; introduce the team to the indigenous tribal affiliations of this area and major archeological sites; find statistical information for this area; geographical features.*

Teamwork: *Team Interpreter will provide translation of the groups' vocabulary list and make suggestions for additions when appropriate; provide statistical information of income, education, healthcare, etc. levels when needed; provide information to the Social Media team for daily posts.*

Devotions

This group will help the whole team be centered in prayer, remind of us of Jesus' commandments to serve, and keep us on track with our "why".

Suggestions: *Be ready with two prayers for each mission day, opening and closing; a longer devotional for team members to read on the "off" days; ask team members to submit their favorite Scripture; invite Honduras staff to submit a prayer or devotional; make a vocabulary list of 5-10 words or phrases our team should know in Spanish.*

Teamwork: *If you ask team members to submit video, you can ask the Photography/Videography group to edit and/or compile it. "Off"-day devotionals can be sent to the Social Media group for their content. Send the vocabulary list to our team interpreter.*

Fundraising

This group will look at the current needs, set a fundraising goal, and provide details on how to submit funds through the Advance.

Suggestions: *find out what is the most urgent funding item now and a corresponding amount ("\$200 will provide # meals for a family," for example); read Henri Nouwen's A Spirituality of Fundraising (and/or ask the whole team to do so!)*

Teamwork: *ask the photography team for pictures that best illustrate our fundraising goal; provide updates/progress reports to Social Media group.*

Meals

This group will provide the team with information about local food and food issues in the area.

Suggestions: *Find out what a typical breakfast, lunch, and dinner would be; find recipes for team members to try; challenge team members to eat as the locals would for a day; compile a vocabulary list of words and phrases related to food, cooking, eating.*

Teamwork: *Ask the Research group for food-related statistics; provide recipes/links to the Social Media group for content; give vocabulary list to Team Interpreter.*

Photography / Videography

This group will compile, edit, and provide visual interpretations of what we've learned, seen, and experienced.

Suggestions: Create a video or photo album of our mission using images from Honduras staff, other groups, or Facebook page; help other groups find images or videos related to their focus; request content from team members.

Teamwork: Provide content for the Social Media Team; assist other groups with finding images or video related to their focus.

Reading

This group will guide team members on reading material and lead a Q&A session with guided questions during the mission.

Suggestions: Work with Milton on which articles or books to read during mission; assign readings for the "off" days.

Teamwork: Provide content ideas to the Social Media group

Safety

This group will inform teams about local health and safety conditions and concerns.

Suggestions: Find out the latest COVID-19 information; what, if any, vaccinations would be needed to travel to area; what is the healthcare system like in the area; what are the most common illnesses in the area; are there any safety concerns in the area for travelers or residents; create a vocabulary list of words and phrases related to health and safety.

Teamwork: Ask Team Interpreter for help with vocabulary list; ask Research group for health statistics; work with Devotional group for intercessory prayers.

Social Media

This group will determine the best method of social media and post daily updates.

Suggestions: post to the UMVIM Facebook page or [UMVIM Honduras](#) page and share to conference and local church pages; prepare daily social media posts (1 or 2/day).

Teamwork: Collect ideas/content from the other groups; work with the current UMVIM page admin

For all groups:

If you need specific information about Honduras, [please check the Honduras website first](#). Many of the answers to your questions can be found there. If you still cannot find information specific to the ministry, please [email Tammy](#) your questions. She will compile all questions into one list and send it to Milton.

Team Activity: Design at least one team activity or .pdf resource. Share your ideas with the team on August 15, and have them ready to implement on Monday, Tuesday, August 18. (**Exception:** *Reading group—if you want us to review an article on Tuesday, please let us know on Saturday so we can be ready.*)

Local Involvement: Provide one or two local involvement ideas that team members can do in their local communities that relate to the work being done in Honduras.

Please send a written copy of the Team Activity, any resource(s), and Local Involvement ideas to Tammy. Send photos/images/video links to the Photography group.