



## Liability Waiver

Signature below will indicate the following:

- I have read the risk statement. I am aware of the hazards and risks to myself and my property associated with serving in \_\_\_\_\_ on the dates of \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.
- This is to certify that I will not hold the BMADM, BMMI, VSM, Barnabas Touch, or any person or church connected to the BMAA liable for injury, disease, or delay of return, or any other claims, while under the support of the BMAA.
- **Emergency Medical Permission:** This is only for emergency situations should the individual, being incapable of making rational decisions, or is a minor whose parents cannot be immediately reached. In any situation, every effort will be made immediately to reach the contact person listed on the application. In the event that an emergency arises, I give the BMADM permission to authorize anesthesia, surgery, and /or procedures deemed absolutely necessary at the time.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name (Please Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Relationship

## **Risk Statement for International Travel**

The leader of each mission team is responsible to present team members with a current risk assessment on the country and the trip the team will make. This assessment will be formulated in conjunction with the BMADM (BMA Department of Missions) and the missionaries on the field. The Risk Statement, given to each team member, is to inform participants of the potential risks involved in traveling abroad and explain possible consequences as one assumes those risks. This document is intended to serve as a guide in formulating the Risk Statement specific to your team. Please consult with the BMADM, the field missionaries, and other sources to fill in the blanks and formulate your Risk Statement. *Keep this form for your records.*

### **RISK STATEMENT**

Traveling abroad has certain inherent risks not typically found or associated with travel inside the Continental United States. These risks can include hazards to both your person and property through accident, disease, criminal and terrorist acts, weather conditions, or inadequate medical services and supplies. There can be added emotional and physical stress due to loneliness, culture shock, and long hours.

Additional Risks specific to traveling abroad (Including but not limited to):

- ❖ Infectious Diseases
  - Malaria
  - Dengue Fever
  - Yellow Fever
  - Other \_\_\_\_\_
  - Other \_\_\_\_\_
- ❖ Political or Civil Unrest
  - Local Government becomes more hostile to foreigners.
  - The Roads and Airports have been shut down by civil unrest.
  - Other \_\_\_\_\_
  - Other \_\_\_\_\_
- ❖ If travel brings you into contact with bodies of water i.e. drowning.
- ❖ Petty theft.
- ❖ Due to possibly being on or near remote areas with possible animal attacks.
  - Snake
  - Other \_\_\_\_\_
  - Other \_\_\_\_\_

We realize that it is impossible to predict, or fully prepare you for every circumstance you will face. However, it is our goal to advise all members of the BMAA and all participants in BMAA programs, of the assumed risks associated with mission work in a foreign country and the BMADM's policies, through this Risk Statement. In addition, we encourage you to prepare yourself for service through a number of ways:

- ✓ Prepare yourself spiritually, physically and mentally for service.
- ✓ Read all you can on the potential country of service.
- ✓ Contact the BMADM to obtain any information we may have.
- ✓ Talk with missionaries serving in the country and in the specific locale.
- ✓ Contact your government office, such as the U.S. State Department, to obtain the most up-to-date information on the area.
- ✓ Take any additional steps you feel are necessary.

**Special Note:** In view of the fact that many insurgent, guerrilla, and criminal groups commit crimes of kidnapping or other forms of criminal extortion as a means for demanding the payment of ransom, it is important that you understand the BMADM's policy in this area. We are deeply concerned for the well-being of each of our team members, and will pray and labor diligently for the release of any team member taken hostage. However, it is the policy that the "BMADM opposes the payment of ransom in any form, cash, commodities or services." Therefore team members and participants in a BMAA missions program should not assume that ransom will be paid for their release. The BMADM recommends, in the event of a hostage being taken, that the other team members be evacuated to the home country or nearest ally of the United States. The BMADM requires that, as part of the post-crisis debriefing, all members who were held hostage be interviewed by a counselor approved by the BMADM.

**Intended for personal records**