



## Practical Tips for Short Term Mission Travelers

- 1) Stay Together with Team Don't wander off, If you need to go off ask or tell Team Leader.
- 2) Keep your valuables close to you or have someone watch them.
- 3) Shine the Light You never know who is watching. The mission starts as soon as we leave for the airport. "Make the most of every opportunity" Col 4:1-6
- 4) On the field drink lots of water and carry a water bottle with you.
- 5) Carry some toilet paper with you at all times.
- Use the few words you know in Spanish and learn one or two more each day.
- 7) Follow the curfew and get enough rest. The days are long and you may tire out quickly even if you are used to a busy pace.
- 8) Don't give money or items away to people without talking to the missionaries.
- 9) Don't wear clothes or jewelry that are offensive to the native people.
- 10) Be quiet when are others are sleeping and you wake up early or are up a little later than others.
- 11) Give people some "space" to have quiet time. The headset rule.
- **12) Forgive each other quickly when you are offended.** Apologize to team members when you know you have offended them.
- 13) Always look for ways to serve don't wait to be asked.
- 14) 1 Thes. 5:14 "We urge you, brothers, warn those who are idle, encourage the timid, help the weak, be patient with everyone. Make sure that nobody pays back wrong for wrong, but always try to be kind to each other and to everyone else. Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. Do not put out the Spirit's fire;"



