

2010 Gulf Coast Mission Trip Covenant

I, (participant name) _____, commit myself to be a member of the **Sr. High Mission Trip to Texas City, TX, July 17-24**, sponsored by Shadle Park Presbyterian Church. My commitment includes the following:

1. I will be involved in each trip fundraiser and either fundraise or pay out of pocket the \$500 trip cost before we leave on the trip. If for some reason I am unable to participate in a fundraiser I will raise the amount of money on my own that I would have raised through the fundraiser if needed.
2. I have turned in the \$50 deposit to reserve my spot. I will not freak out about the cost of the trip knowing that most, if not all, of the trip cost will be paid through our fundraising efforts. I understand that my \$50 deposit will only be returned to me if I fundraise the full \$500. If others fundraise more than \$500 then some of their funds can be applied toward my trip (or I can help others).
3. In respect to God, my fellow team members, and Shadle Park Presbyterian Church, I agree to participate fully in this mission endeavor and understand that only a death in the family or a medical emergency are acceptable reasons for not fulfilling this commitment. I understand that if I must drop off the team for any other reason, it must be done so within 30 days of this signed contract. If I drop off the team at any time, I understand that I will be responsible to repay Shadle Park Presbyterian Church for any prepaid expenses made on my behalf.
4. While preparing for and participating in this trip, I am accountable to the trip leaders. I will respect the authority given to my trip leaders, abiding by the decisions made by them.
5. If I am unable to cooperate with the mission team and present a problem while on the trip, I understand that I may be sent home at my expense with no refund from monies previously paid.
6. I will keep in mind throughout my preparations for this trip, as well as while on the trip, that the main trip goals are to love God and others. I will work on putting others' needs before my own out of respect for them, in obedience to God, and to be a witness and example for others.
7. I will prepare myself for this trip through frequent prayer and time studying the Bible as well as faithfully staying involved in the ministries of Shadle Park Presbyterian Church. If I struggle in these spiritual disciplines, I will seek help immediately.
8. I will attend all mandatory meetings/training dates including, but not limited to: **Home Depot Training** Classes one hour a month from February through June, **Team Meetings** on Sundays from 12-1 p.m. (January 31st, February 21st, March 28th, April 25th, May 16th, June 27th, July 17th).
9. I will be part of the post-trip reunion and sharing time August 1st. We will be sharing about the trip during the Sunday morning worship services and enjoying a time of reflection, fun, and lunch following the 2nd service from 12-1 p.m.

Signature _____ Date _____