

Mx09 MEETING 1 HANDOUT  
02.07.09



**WHY WE'RE DOING THIS**

**QUALIFICATIONS**

**WHAT WE'LL BE DOING**

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION:**

IDENTIFICATION:

MEDICAL:

The following are recommendations from Sovereign Grace Church regarding trips into Mexico where folks will be doing outside activities or construction projects. Contact your personal physician for further advice or questions, especially about vaccinations for tetanus, Hepatitis A & Hepatitis B.

LODGING:

PACKING LIST:

SOLO TEENS:

**IMPORTANT DATES & INFO**

- ~~11.22.08~~ Fall Clean Fundraiser
- 02.07.09 Mexico Meeting #1
- 02.12.09 Drop Date**
- 02.15.09 Bake Sale Fundraiser
- 03.07.09 Mexico Meeting #2. Parents only. Payment due: \$400.
- 03.29.09 (SUN PM!) Mexico Meeting #3. Payment due: remaining balance.
- 04.18.09 ¡VAMOS A MEXICO!
- 04.25.09 Return from Mexico!



**SAFETY**

**FINANCES**

**NEXT STEPS**

**PRAY**

Please pray...

- That our preparations would come together smoothly and peacefully.
- For God's protection as we travel to and from Mexico and as we work there.
- That we would not sin while in Mexico!
- That our example and our words would help advance the gospel at Rancho 3M.
- That we would be of service and a help to Dean and the Ranch.
- For your teammates, that they would experience the grace, presence, and pleasure of God in preparation for and during the trip.

**Saturday, April 18—Travel to Mexico**

6:00a Meet at Reagan National  
8:00a EST FLIGHT Departs DCA  
12:05p MST FLIGHT Arrives ELP  
2:00p Lunch: La Melenche  
3:30p Depart for Rancho 3M  
4:30p Arrive at Rancho 3M, unpack  
5:30p Ranch Orientation & Tour  
7:00p Dinner  
8:00p Free time  
9:30p Quiet hour begins  
11:00p Lights out

**Sunday, April 19—Church & with kids**

7:30a Wake up call  
9:00a Breakfast & Team Devotions  
11:00a Church  
1:00p Lunch  
2:00p TBD  
7:00p Dinner  
8:00p Free Time  
9:30p Quiet hour begins  
11:00p Lights out

**Monday, April 20—Work**

6:00a Wake up call  
7:30a Breakfast & Team Devotions  
8:30a Work  
1:00p Lunch Time Is Family Time  
2:00p Work  
[4:00p Class/Kids' Camp]  
6:30p Clean up for dinner  
7:00p Dinner  
8:00p Free time  
9:30p Quiet hour begins  
11:00p Lights out

**Tuesday, April 21—Work**

6:00a Wake up call  
7:30a Breakfast & Team Devotions  
8:30a Work  
1:00p Lunch Time Is Family Time  
2:00p Work  
[4:00p Class/Kids' Camp]  
6:30p Clean up for dinner  
7:00p Dinner  
8:00p Free time  
9:30p Quiet hour begins  
11:00p Lights out

**Wednesday, April 22—Work**

6:00a Wake up call  
7:30a Breakfast & Team Devotions  
8:30a Work  
1:00p Lunch Time Is Family Time  
2:00p Work  
[4:00p Class/Kids' Camp]  
6:30p Clean up for dinner  
7:00p Dinner  
8:00p Free time  
9:30p Quiet hour begins  
11:00p Lights out

**Thursday, April 23—Work**

6:00a Wake up call  
7:30a Breakfast & Team Devotions  
8:30a Work  
1:00p Lunch Time Is Family Time  
2:00p Work  
[4:00p Class/Kids' Camp]  
6:30p Clean up for dinner  
7:00p Dinner  
8:00p Free time  
9:30p Quiet hour begins  
11:00p Lights out

**Friday, April 24—Work**

6:00a Wake up call  
7:30a Breakfast & Team Devotions  
8:30a Work  
1:00p Lunch Time Is Family Time  
2:00p Work  
[4:00p Class/Kids' Camp]  
6:30p Clean up for dinner  
7:00p Dinner  
8:00p Free time/Pack/Clean  
9:30p Quiet hour begins  
11:00p Lights out

**Saturday, April 25—Travel Home**

4:00a Wake up call  
5:00a Final clean-up, load vans  
6:00a Depart Rancho 3M  
7:30a Arrive at El Paso Airport  
9:50a MST FLIGHT Depart ELP  
5:15p EST FLIGHT Arrive at DCA

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All times are local. Rancho 3M is three hours behind Fairfax.

Dear \_\_\_\_\_,

This spring, my church, Sovereign Grace Church, is sponsoring a trip to serve an orphanage in Mexico. The dates are Saturday, April 18 through Saturday, April 25. This trip will be a wonderful opportunity for us to serve Ranch 3M Orphanage in Guadalupe, near El Paso, Texas. I expect to grow in my appreciation of all that God has given me to enjoy in this country and to cultivate deeper friendships with other students.

I am writing to humbly ask for your financial support. The trip will cost each of us approximately \$800, which includes food, lodging, transportation, and project expenses. Please feel no obligation, but I would be very grateful to receive your kind donation. If you choose to make a contribution, please make the check out in my name and mail it to me directly. Let me say thanks in advance for even considering this!

Thank you and God bless you,

# PARENTAL AUTHORITY & TEMPORARY GUARDIANSHIP RELEASE FORM

Father or Mother of child  
please complete where  
indicated by yellow highlight.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
STATE OF **Virginia**  
COUNTY OF **Fairfax**

Before me, the undersigned Notary, personally came and appeared:

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Print Father's Full Legal Name** (Father) **signature** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
**Print Mother's Full Legal Name** (Mother) **signature** \_\_\_\_\_  
(herein "the parents")

Father's signature

Mother's signature

Who, after being duly sworn stated as follows:

Their child, **Child's Full Legal Name**, a minor, (herein referred to as "the minor") has their permission, for the period **April 18-25, 2009** to cross the International Border between the United States and the Republic of Mexico, leaving the United States and entering Mexico, and then returning to the United States, with either, John Stephen Whitacre or \_\_\_\_\_ one or either of whom will be with the minor, as tourists to Mexico, under the auspices of Sovereign Grace Church, Fairfax, Virginia.

Enter full name of Father or Mother  
crossing into Mexico with child or  
other adult you have assigned.

In addition, the parents hereby authorize John Stephen Whitacre or \_\_\_\_\_ to act as the minor's temporary guardian, for the period **April 18-25, 2009**, for purposes of making any necessary emergency decisions with respect to the minor, including any necessary medical treatment the minor may require, while notifying the parents of the emergency as soon as it is practical to do so.

Enter full name of Mom or Dad  
crossing into Mexico with child or  
other adult you have assigned.

**Notary Public Signature/Seal:**

This section completed by  
the Notary Public (Kaua).

City/County of \_\_\_\_\_  
Commonwealth of Virginia

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_

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# Short-Term Mission Trip Risk Acknowledgement and Release Form

## Trip Information

Sponsoring organization (Trip Sponsor): Sovereign Grace Church (Fairfax, VA)  
Location of mission trip: Guadalupe, Mexico Dates: 4/18/09 - 4/25/09  
Nature of mission trip: Serve at Rancho 3M Orphanage and Gracia Soberana de Juarez  
Name of trip sponsor's coordinator: Steve Whitacre Telephone: 703-691-0600

**Complete entire Participant Information Section.**

## Participant Information

*(To be completed by participant or authorized guardian)*

Name of participant: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of emergency contact: \_\_\_\_\_  
Daytime telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
List any current allergies, illnesses, physical conditions, or medications: \_\_\_\_\_  
Is sponsor authorized to approve medical treatment?  Yes  No  
Is participant covered by personal/family medical insurance?  Yes  No  
If yes, name of insurer: \_\_\_\_\_  
Policy or group number: \_\_\_\_\_

## Participant Agreement

*(To be completed by participant or by parents or guardians if Participant is a minor)*

I acknowledge that participation in the above trip involves risk to the Participant (and to Participant's parents or guardians, if Participant is a minor), and may result in various types of injury including, but not limited to the following: sickness, bodily injury, death, emotional injury, personal injury, property damage and financial damage.

In consideration for the opportunity to participate in the above trip, the Participant (or parent/guardian if Participant is a minor) acknowledges and accepts the risks of injury associated with participation in the trip. The Participant (or parent/guardian) accepts personal financial responsibility for any injury sustained during the trip. Further, the Participant (or parent/guardian) promises to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Trip Sponsor and its agents, employees, volunteers, or any other representatives (collectively included hereinafter in the term "Trip Sponsor") for any injury related directly or indirectly out of the above trip, whether such injury arises out of the negligence of the Trip Sponsor or otherwise.

If a dispute over this agreement or any claim for damages arises, the matter through a mutually acceptable alternative dispute resolution process, and the Trip Sponsor cannot agree upon such a process, the dispute shall be resolved by the arbitration panel of the American Arbitration Association for final resolution.

**Read Participant Agreement and sign and date. If a minor, at least one parent must sign and date form.**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Participant or parent/guardian if participant is a minor*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Participant or parent/guardian if participant is a minor*

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