

## Packing List

**CHECK WITH YOUR AIRLINES TO CONFIRM ALLOWABLE LUGGAGE DETAILS.** Limit yourself to a carry on and one checked bag as any extra bag may be needed for team supplies. Pack your carry-on with things you need for a day or two in the event your checked bag is delayed.

**ON YOUR BODY: VALID PASSPORT, MONEY, MINORS: 2 COPIES OF TRAVEL PERMISSION FORM**

**IN YOUR CARRY-ON AND BACKPACK** (at least these items)

- Water Bottle (Nalgene or similar filled at the house each morning and refilled at the worksite)
- Medical – any prescription meds you are taking
- At least one day's complete clothing needs (underwear, pants, shirt, etc.)
- Camera
- Hand-sanitizing wipes
- Toiletries – (Girls – female items - NONE will be available. Travel often brings change, so be prepared.)
- Bible and journal
- Liquids in your carry-on bags should be 3 oz or less and all fit in one 1 quart Ziploc bag.

**IN YOUR CHECKED LUGGAGE** (any of these that do not fit in your carry-on)

- Snack and breakfast foods (Coffee provided)
- Work pants and shirts
- Work gloves, if needed

Modest shorts and shirts for evenings - Please note:

- Regarding tops/shirts: Wear only t-shirts with sleeves and modest necklines. Do not wear tank tops. If you wear a sleeveless shirt or shirt with low V or scoop neckline, you will be asked to change. If you do not have t-shirts with sleeves and modest necklines, you will need to purchase or borrow them.
- Regarding shorts: Do not wear Nike style shorts or running shorts. Wear basketball or soccer length shorts. Shorts should be at least mid-thigh. If you wear inappropriate length shorts, you will be asked to change. If you do not have appropriate length shorts, you will need to purchase or borrow them.
- We reserve the right to ask an individual to change any attire that is not appropriate.
- Extra pair comfortable close-toed shoes (hiking/work boots optional)
- Underwear and socks
- Modest sleep wear
- Women: a skirt if team will attend Church on Sunday
- TAKE ENOUGH CLOTHES TO WEAR THE ENTIRE WEEK. THERE WILL BE NO OPPORTUNITY TO WASH CLOTHES EXCEPT IN CASE OF EMERGENCY
- Flashlight
- Sunscreen and Bug repellent with Deet (spray and/or wipes) – for you and your sleeping quarters.
- Towel and wash cloth
- Toiletries: Please note- do not dispose of your razors or aerosol cans in Haiti. For THOMAN, do not bring hair dryers - it drains the batteries that are charged by the solar power.
- Extra hand-sanitizing wipes (You will use LOTS of these)
- Photocopy of passport

- For medical professionals: Photocopy of medical license/diploma
- Hat to protect you from the sun (women will want something to put their hair up)
- Plastic bag for laundry
- Ear plugs for snoring roommates, chickens, pigs, and goats
- **GALETTE CHAMBON:** Sheets, pillows and pillow cases are provided
- **THOMAN:** Take sheets and pillow case for twin bunk, pillows are provided
- **THOMAN:** Take light blanket (from November – April)

**\*\*\* DO NOT PACK ANYTHING OF GREAT VALUE IN YOUR CHECKED BAG SUCH AS A COMPUTER, CAMERA, OR PHONE. THESE TYPES OF ITEMS HAVE BEEN KNOWN TO DISAPPEAR AS LUGGAGE MAKES ITS WAY THROUGH VARIOUS AIRPORTS.**

## **Information Needed When Entering Haiti**

1. On the flight into Port-au-Prince, you will be required to fill out a green form and a white form. On the green form, you will be asked where you are staying. Write the following:
  - For those staying in Hope Center in Galette Chambon
    - Street Address – Rte Nationale, 8 Route de Galette Chambon
    - City – Ganthier
    - Telephone – 509-3624-0416 or 509-3590-3683  
(These telephone numbers belong to missionary Tony West and Vladimir, one of our interpreters.)
  - For those staying in Hope Center in Thoman
    - Street Address – Bois Pin
    - City – Thoman
    - Telephone – 509-3776-5505  
(This telephone number belongs to Pastor Mathurin, one of our interpreters.)
2. There will be a Haitian man working with BGM inside the airport at the luggage carousel with a sign that has the Team Leader's name. That Haitian man will help the team get carts for luggage transport and then escort the team through Customs and to the BGM vehicle outside the airport.
3. Each person will need to be prepared to pay a \$10 tourist fee when entering Haiti. This fee must be paid with a relatively new US \$10, not folded or crumpled, with no marks or writing.
4. The team will need to be prepared to pay \$2.00 **per cart** for luggage transport whenever the carts are acquired inside the airport. Each cart will hold 3-4 pieces of luggage. The team will also need to be prepared to pay the BGM Haitian man that meets them \$2.00 **per piece of luggage** that is transported on the carts to the BGM vehicle. **One member** of the team should pay the BGM Haitian man this amount (\$2/bag) *after* all the pieces of luggage are loaded onto the BGM vehicle. Pay *only* the BGM Haitian man that meets the team. (If there are other Haitians helping the BGM Haitian man, **he** will pay the other Haitians from the \$2.00 per piece of luggage the one team member gives him.)
5. The team leader needs to be prepared to pay up to \$200 in fees if the group is taking medicine or many bags of supplies into Haiti.