

Church Recommendation (Non-members of First Baptist Athens)

The _____ of _____ whole-heartedly recommends
(Church Name) (City)
_____ to the First Baptist Church, Athens, Alabama as sound in his / her faith and
(Volunteer Name)
is spiritually equipped to serve on this volunteer project.

Pastor: _____ **Date** _____

I covenant to spiritually prepare for this volunteer assignment, to carefully read the orientation materials, and to seek to have a servant heart. I pledge that my conduct, in word and deed, will honor the Lord Jesus Christ, as the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart will be pleasing in His sight. I will employ my skills, talents, and spiritual gifts in the building and expansion of the Kingdom of God in the place where I serve, as God gives me inner strength and wisdom. I covenant to abide by the pre-determined goals of said trip and to act respectfully toward the designated leaders and also toward other co-laborers in this ministry effort.

Volunteer: _____ **Date** _____

Responsibility and Release

I understand that the First Baptist Church, Athens, Alabama requires that medical and disability insurance coverage effective overseas is required the entire period of my volunteer service. I understand that payment must be made prior to departure to First Baptist Church, Athens, the acting travel agency, or Adams and Associates Insurance Company. I wish to make clear my understanding that many geographical areas of ministry are in primitive and underdeveloped countries having inferior infrastructures and inadequate medical and security facilities, sanitation and transportation systems. I understand that the area in which I will serve may have been subject to previous governmental travel warnings, public announcements or other issuances of information concerning the instability of the area, or that such warnings, announcements or other like information may be promulgated while I am en route or present in said area. I also understand that there may be additional security risks for Americans and/or Christians in some areas of volunteer service. I will make such investigation, as I deem necessary, into any risks or concerns, including security, related to the area of ministry in which I will serve. I wish to further make clear my understanding that First Baptist Church, Athens, will not assume any responsibility for loss of my property, or damage to the same, personal harm or illness that may occur; and I, for myself, my other good and valuable considerations, do hereby absolve said First Baptist Church, Athens and hold them harmless for any claim or demand which I or they might conceivably assert upon the basis of the foregoing. In addition, if I have paid for all or a portion of the cost of this ministry trip, I understand that, if I choose not to make the trip for any reason, or if the organizers of the trip determine that, for security or other valid reasons, the trip should be cancelled, I may not be entitled to reimbursement, whether in part or in full.

Volunteer _____ **Date** _____