

## Dear Parents,

Thank you for your consideration in allowing your youth to join Go International on a mission trip. As an organization, we are aware that you, as a parent, may have many questions that are in need of answers. It is our goal to provide the answers to all of your questions, many of which can be found here on our website; however, please feel free to contact our offices in order to speak directly with a staff member. We believe that as a parent you play a vital role in the success your youth has on the mission field. The more you know about the trip your youth is preparing to embark on, the more equipped you will be in order to prepare them for all that God has for them. We are excited to work together with you to provide an amazing missions experience for your young person!

Grace + Peace,  
Go International

“I totally trust Go International’s leadership. After sending my daughter on three trips, I know that Go International provides safety, quality food and lodging, as well as effective ministry. I am confident they will take care of my children.”

**Dede Sipe**

*Mother of a Go Missionary  
Eagar, AZ*

## FIVE STAR STANDARD

The GO International Five Star Standard was created with the understanding of the responsibility that comes with coordinating international trips for young people. The following are 5 standards that we adhere to on all overseas trips:

**FOOD AND WATER:** The leading cause of sickness while traveling abroad is the consumption of food or water that is not properly prepared. GO International provides meals that have only been prepared in accordance to proper health standards. Each day the team will have access to unlimited amounts of bottled water.

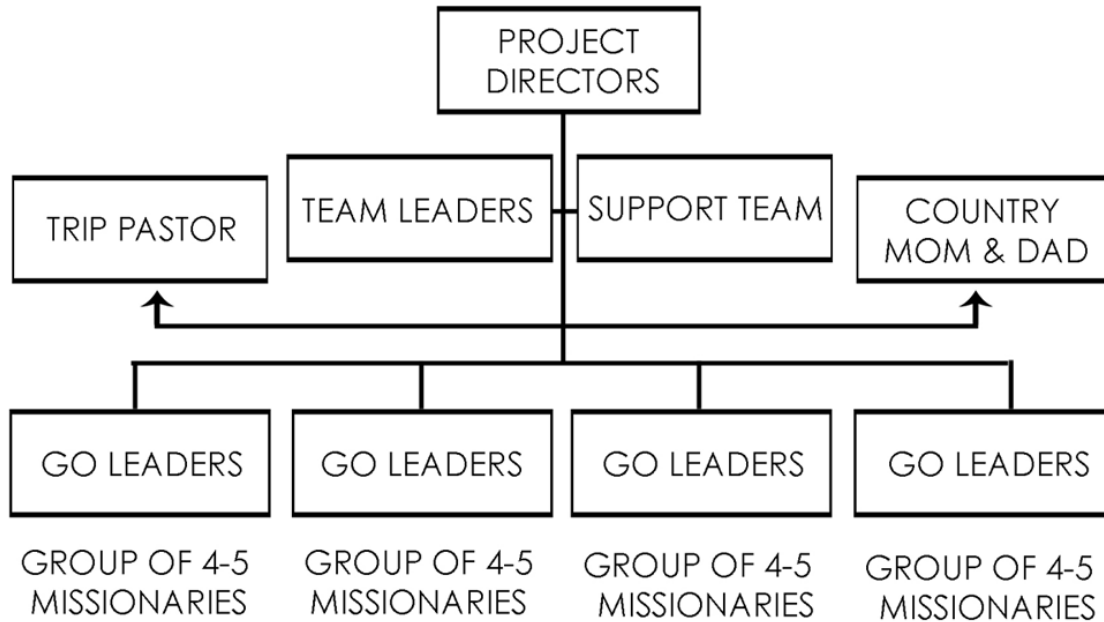
**LODGING:** When available, GO International holds to a 3 star minimum for hotels that are used while abroad. This ensures that our young people receive ample rest, with the assurance of 24-hour staff security, working fire alarms, and a safe living environment.

**SAFETY:** When making any decision, safety is our first priority. Youth are required to be in “approved groups” which include at least one leader at all times. The Leadership Team oversees both traveling and group ministry.

**QUALITY MINISTRY:** We recognize that every young person has worked hard and believed God for the finances to effectively minister on the trip. Team members will be trained and equipped with effective ministry tools for reaching the lost.

**SUSTAINED IMPACT:** It is our goal that every young person who comes on a trip with GO International will be changed forever. We believe that they will go home with a sense of purpose and direction, and maintain a heart to reach the lost with the Gospel.

# LEADERSHIP STRUCTURE\*



## **Project Director**

One male and female per country, Age 21+ with previous leadership on a Go International Team and extensive mission experience is required. Project directors oversee the day-to-day details of all teams in the country. They administrate all ministry itinerary, food, water, transportation, and lodging for each team.

## **Team Leader**

One male and female per team, Age 21+ with previous missions experience required. Each team is lead by a pair of team leaders, one male and one female. A team consists of about 20-25 young people. Team leaders oversee the day-to-day ministry.

## **Support Team**

The Support Team's primary responsibility is to assist the Project Directors with trip logistics and media support.

## **Trip Pastor\***

The primary responsibility of a Trip Pastor is to keep the team spiritually sharp through encouragement, teaching, and ministry training.

## **Country Mom and Dad\***

It is the goal of Go International to create a sense of family in each country among team members. Country Mom & Dad are responsible to provide a parent/mentor relationship to all team members through out the trip.

## **GO Leader**

Male or Female, age 18+ with previous leadership experience required. Go Leader's are responsible for leading a small group of young people in ministry through out the day.

Go Groups are comprised of both male and female team members. The primary responsibility of a Go Leader is to ensure the safety of the members in their Go Group. Go Groups are to be together at all times when outside the confines of the hotel.

### **Room leader**

Male or Female, age 18+ with previous leadership experience required. Room leaders ensure the safety of all team members while inside the hotel or lodging base.

\*While it is the desire of Go International to facilitate the roles of Trip Pastor and Country Mom & Dad on each trip, they are based on parent and pastor involvement; therefore, all trips may not have these roles in their leadership structure.

## **FAQ**

### **What does the price of the trip include?**

The price of the trip includes: a T-shirt, the Go Guide (with detailed instructions on everything needed to have a successful trip), food, water, lodging, private transportation while in country, international airfare, international travelers insurance, tourist taxes and fees, translators, ministry tools, and follow up materials.

### **What does this price not include?**

The price of this trip does not include: Domestic airfare, passport fees, spending money, inoculations, costumes, souvenirs, or early dismissal from the trip.

### **How is money turned in?**

When a team member is accepted to join the trip they will be given an acceptance packet and donation envelopes. Place money in the designated envelope and return to Go International. The donation will be processed by GO International and credited toward your teen's trip.

### **What will my teen do on this trip?**

It is our goal to provide effective ministry for your teenager. Ministry tools are chosen based on the culture of each country, and what has proven most effective in reaching it's nationals.

### **Ministry may include any one or more of the following:**

- + Schools
- + Plazas
- + Orphanages
- + Churches
- + Service Projects
- + Street drama
- + Crusades
- + Concerts
- + Sports Ministry
- + Art Campaigns

Each ministry site includes an opportunity for nationals to make a commitment to follow Christ; teens will also be given the opportunity to minister in small groups. ("Go Groups")

comprised of 4-5 young people with an adult leader).

**What type of training will they receive?**

Team members will gather together for an intense time of ministry training. They will receive instruction that will equip them in:

- + Creative Evangelism
- + Working with a translator
- + Cultural Sensitivity
- + Specialized training in ministry to youth and children
- + Sharing their testimony
- + Altar Call Training
- + Safety Training

**Will I be able to communicate with my child while they are overseas?**

We understand your need as a parent to be informed of what your child is doing on a daily basis. While overseas, you may at any time log on to [www.gointernational.tv](http://www.gointernational.tv). From this website you will be able to read updates and testimonials as posted. In addition, Go International has a parent hotline that you may call at any time of the day and listen to updates of our trip. Teens will also be encouraged to call home regularly while on the trip.

**More questions?**

Our staff is ready to answer any other questions that you may have. Please call or e-mail us if you have any other questions:

**Phone: 1-866-992-2554**

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