

Conduct Guidelines for OSA Mission Trip Participants and Other Volunteers

OSA volunteers should conduct themselves at all times in a manner consistent with OSA's mission of demonstrating the love of Christ in practical ways. To that end, all trip participants must adhere to the following guidelines regarding manners and conduct during OSA mission trips:

- Mission trip participants come from diverse backgrounds in terms of race, ethnicity, political perspective, and faith traditions and practices. Trip participants are expected to show respect and dignity to fellow mission trip participants at all times.
- Similarly, trip participants are expected to show respect, cultural sensitivity, and dignity to the people they encounter in Collique.
- Ask permission before taking photographs of people in the community.
- Avoid interrupting the day to day OSA programs that may be in progress during the mission trip.
- Drinking water is a precious commodity in Peru. Do not leave partially consumed bottles of water or soft drinks at the mission site.
- Sound travels easily in the hotel, so please speak softly while in your room or the hotel common areas. Avoid cursing or other abusive language at all times.
- Avoid the appearance of opulence by dressing modestly and by not wearing flashy jewelry.
- Avoid showing favoritism such as giving gifts or money to individuals or families in Collique.
- Do not make promises that you cannot keep. For instance, do not promise to call or email residents of Collique unless you fully intend to do so.
- OSA mission trips are not "mission tourism." All trip participants must have a specific job assignment while being flexible to change roles for the overall impact of the mission trip. Remember the key concepts of teamwork and flexibility.
- For mission trips **sponsored by OSA**, trip participants are expected to make their own airline reservations. In rare cases, OSA may purchase an airline ticket with the expectation of reimbursement by the trip participant. The reimbursement should be received by OSA within 30 days of the trip completion.
- Mission trip participants, 21 years or older, who order alcoholic beverages during group dinners are expected to drink in moderation and to pay for those beverages individually. Consumption of alcoholic beverages is strictly prohibited for mission trip participants under the age of 21.
- Trip participants must adhere to personal safety and health guidelines as determined and directed by the Team Leader. These guidelines may vary depending on conditions in Peru at the time of your trip.

By signing this document, I agree to adhere to these conduct guidelines and understand that non-compliance may result in restrictions to my participation in OSA mission trips.

Printed Name

Signature

Date