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## **FOCM Mission Trip Information for Team Leaders**

This letter from the FOCM board provides important information for team leaders preparing for a mission trip to Colegio Moriah in the Dominican Republic. Here's a breakdown of the key points:

### **Team Member Preparation:**

- **Fundraising:** Team members need to write a prayer/support letter and raise funds for the trip. A worksheet and contract are available on the FOCM website.
- **Travel Documents:** The website also provides information on obtaining an E-Ticket to enter the Dominican Republic.
- **Cultural Awareness:** Download a document with "needed and fun facts" to help team members prepare for the trip.

### **Financial Information:**

- **Transportation:**
  - A \$500 fee covers bus transportation to and from the airport (large bus 8-40).
  - A \$200 fee covers bus transportation to and from the airport (small bus 2-7).
  - A \$100 extra fee covers a bus trip to a beach close by
  - A \$200 extra fee covers bus trips to a beach farther away
  - Extra fees apply for additional bus trips (e.g., beach trips) or using a larger bus.
  - FOCM recommends sending collected funds to your church treasurer.
- **Room & Board & Project Fees:** One month before departure, the church treasurer should send room and board, along with project money, to FOCM (Rev Dennis Ashley, address provided).
- **School Store:** Support the school by spending extra cash at the on-site store selling souvenirs and snacks (profits go towards school expenses).

### **Post-Trip Engagement:**

- **Presentations:** Share your mission trip experience through presentations at church or school to encourage student sponsorship.
- **Financial Support:** Encourage your church to make a special offering to the school or consider fundraising projects to support building maintenance (July)
- **Child sponsorship:** Encourage your team members to find a child that they would like to sponsor, this will help cover the cost for that child to attend school.

**Communication:**

- The FOCM board welcomes team reports and photos for their newsletter and blogs.

**Additional Notes:**

- The email emphasizes the importance of maintaining excitement for the ministry after the trip.

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