



CAUTIONS, TIPS AND LESSONS LEARNED IN A PARTNERSHIP MISSIONS PROJECT

1. Anticipate unexpected problems.
2. Use the difficulties as opportunities to model problem-solving in a Christian way.
3. Be sure to clarify all the details related to finances in advance. Who pays for what?
4. Be sure that neither team is perceived as the “checkbook” or an open bank account.
5. Be careful that the more experienced team doesn’t act to “rescue” the sister-church team, but rather to help them learn through the events of the project.
6. It is best to ask the campers to pay something for the camp. It gives the camp more value to them.
7. The goal should be discipleship of the sister church, modeling missions for them, being incarnational.
8. Move ahead with what you have, learn from what you have done, and then work to make improvements in future projects.
9. Repeat visits and contacts between the partnership churches help maintain, grow and develop deep relationships that can result in meaningful ministry together.
10. These experiences can bring growth and direction to the lives of team members from both cultures. They begin to see, “I could live here; I could do this!”

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