

Romania Trip Guide



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Greetings from Remember the Children,

We are glad you are interested in Remember the Children(RTC) and our work with the people of Romania. It is our prayer that you are inspired, challenged, and motivated by this information to help reach the people of Romania with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Enclosed is a guide prepared for those interested in journeying with RTC to reach and minister to our friends in Romania.

More than likely, you are reading this because you have already been introduced to RTC and the work we do. This guide will walk you through logistics and policies that must be followed for all trip participants. It should also help you understand what is expected in regards to preparing and packing for a mission trip with RTC. We hope it meets your needs and we look forward to journeying into missions with you.

Please know that RTC can only exist because of people like you who take action to pray, give, learn and participate in our mission. This guide should fill in some gaps you may have about RTC as an organization, but its main focus is on the trips RTC makes to Romania each year. To learn more about RTC beyond this guide, please check out our website or contact our office using the info provided on the cover page.

We pray you may be challenged, inspired and motivated as you read and discover many reasons to love and visit the country of Romania.

Thank you for your interest. I hope to work with you soon!

Andy Baker,
Founder and President
Remember the Children

An Introduction to Romania

- Romania is a small country in Eastern Europe. Its geographic size can be compared to the state of Oregon, and has approximately 19 million people.
- Romania is a former communist country. It became free from communism in 1989, as Nicolae Ceausescu was driven from power. It now has a republic form of government with two legislative bodies. However, corruption is still a major issue in Romanian politics.
- Romania gained entrance to the European Union in 2007. This inclusion has caused many changes in the law and especially in the appearance of Romania.
- The main religion in Romania is Eastern Orthodox (early form of Christianity).
- The most common language is Romanian; however, German and Hungarian are spoken by some in Romania and English is now taught in the public school.
- Romania's currency is the RON (lei), and money must be exchanged in order to be spent in Romania, especially on the street and in local villages.
- The most common modes of transportation are automobiles and the public electric train car system.
- Romania, like most of Europe, uses 230 volt electricity.
- Bucharest is the capital of Romania and is on the far Eastern side of the country; however, Remember the Children works mainly in Oradea and Satu Mare, cities on the northwestern side of the country.

For more information on Romania, RTC suggests the following web site:

romaniatourism.com/fast-facts

Focus

When you travel with RTC, the mission may change your life. We are convinced that there is nothing more worthwhile one could do, than share the love of Jesus with those who have never experienced it. God can and will use many different people with many different talents and methods to be His hands and feet. All it takes is a humble and willing heart. Our commitment is to help you be the best you can be as the Father uses you to bless others. If you do this with a humble heart, He will not only use you to bless others, but will bless you as well.

We look forward to traveling with you and experiencing all God has in store as we serve Him together. May He bless you for your faithfulness and may He receive all the glory for the great things He has done and will do!

Ministry

The ministry focus of RTC is to transform lives and communities through leadership development, church planting, and orphan care. A major part of this ministry is building



relationships. Remember that the children, and even the adults, may have difficult backgrounds and traumatic life experiences. Do not expect to earn their trust quickly. A careless word or thoughtless deed could do damage to years of work. You are a representative of RTC and, more than that, of Jesus Christ. Make them both proud.

Great ministry can take place by playing sports or a game of tag in the yard, sitting on a couch or working in a garden. Make the most of every opportunity to let your light shine. You will have the opportunity to be the hands and feet of Jesus. RTC exists to meet needs; mental, social, physical, and/or spiritual. In all we do, we have an eternal purpose in mind. We are praying for team members, senders, and receivers on the field to be impacted and reminded of God's eternal purpose for their lives.

Community

Relationships are key for RTC and should be treated with care and respect. Here are some areas to be mindful of as you set out on this journey:

1. Your relationship between you and God. This is the foundation.
2. Your relationship with your teammates. You may not always agree, which is ok. Always treat each other with respect, kindness, and mutual admiration, with the understanding that everyone brings something different to the ministry and each gift is needed and valuable.
3. Your relationship with your team leader(s). Please know that this person has been chosen by RTC for a specific purpose. Respect and trust their decisions and follow all instructions.
4. Your relationship with your hosts. Be kind and gracious.
5. Your relationship with the kids. Think of the manner in which Jesus was open and loving as he made way for the children to come to himself.
6. Your interactions with service workers and strangers. Remember that you are a guest in their country. Respect them, love them, and see them as Jesus would.

Team

Your team may be made up of people you know or you may have the opportunity to meet many new people from all over the USA and the world. Make the most of these opportunities and be inclusive. Your team leader will set the tone and give you space to build relationships with others.

Team members may have different religious backgrounds and theology, but are all there for the same purpose; to provide faith, hope, and love for the kids. Be there for the kids, respect your teammates, and handle each other with care.



RTC strongly discourages pursuing a new relationship of the romantic nature with another team member during the trip. It is also RTC's policy that no team member should in any way encourage a romantic relationship of any kind with a Romanian national. Customs are different in Romania. It matters not how you see things, but how they do. Keep this in mind, and do not spend private time with someone of the opposite sex that is not your spouse, regardless of the situation. This protects you and the other person. If you are dating another team member before leaving on the trip, please be mindful of why you are on this journey and act accordingly. You are going on a mission trip, not a vacation.

Prepare in Prayer

Prayer is the key to any endeavor. It is highly recommended that, from the moment you decide to go to Romania, you should pray daily for the trip.

Suggested topics to include in your prayers are as follows:

- Open doors for evangelism
- Hope to be received and known
- Wisdom for how to approach and love those we meet
- Safety of all team members
- Continuity of the team
- Success of the journey
- Good health
- Good weather
- Ease and endurance in traveling
- Growth of individuals
- Furtherance of RTC's Mission.

As you pray, see how God will prepare your heart, and ask for wisdom and covering for the whole team.

Your team leader will prepare a prayer guide for your supporters and loved ones at home for the time of your trip. When you receive this, please make copies to pass out to prayer warriors in your life. One of the greatest blessings of these trips is including others in your journey, so ask as many people as you can to pray with us. We are praying for you, and we hope you will take preparation through prayer seriously before, during, and after your trip.

Dates and Cancellations

Most trip dates are known at least 6 months in advance. All payment must be made 30 days in advance of your departing on a trip. Travel insurance is available through our travel agent, but there are specific guidelines that should be looked at carefully to confirm it meets your needs. RTC cannot make refunds on last minute cancellations, as



payment in Romania and Hungary is expected once reservations have been made. Airline tickets can sometimes be rearranged for future use. If you are booking a trip for a group, it is suggested to begin a dialogue with RTC at least one year in advance.

Passports

One of the first items you should take care of when preparing for your trip is your passport. This could cost you approximately \$130.

The first step in obtaining a passport is checking the US Department of State website or locating an acceptance agent in your area for passports. You may find an acceptance agent at your local post office or county clerk's office. The acceptance agent will provide you with all of the forms you need and instructions to obtain your passport. For the most efficient ways to complete this process, make sure to carefully read the forms before proceeding with compiling the necessary information and documents. For minimal fees, make sure you allow yourself at least three months to obtain your passport. Passports can sometimes be acquired in an expedited manner, if necessary, but will cost you more money.

Medical Requirements

We will be in a safe region with access to medical treatment, however the accessibility to medication and treatment may be limited or complicated if not prepared. Pack all medications you might need for headaches, bowel irregularity, and more. Especially make sure to pack an ample supply of daily medications in your carry-on luggage in their original bottles. Travel is not the time to attempt or risk any change in medication. You may need to create a modified medication schedule for the trip, taking into account time differences.

Specific medical needs are your responsibility to manage. It is vital that you pack all the medicine you could possibly need for your personal care. For instance, if you know you are highly allergic to certain things, please have the appropriate medicine. If you may have problems with motion sickness while traveling, pack the appropriate medicine. We cannot stress enough the importance of having your medicine on hand in case it is needed.

Recommended pre-trip Immunizations are as follows:

- Tetanus-Diphtheria (protects against contaminated soil and air)
- Hepatitis A (protects against contaminated food)
- Hepatitis B (protects against contaminated blood)

RTC does everything possible to keep all team members away from hazardous areas, and works to maintain a healthy environment in all lodging, working, and eating areas.



We look forward to a safe and healthy trip with you. For more information regarding medical concerns, check www.cdc.gov and look under the section: Traveler's Health/ Eastern Europe.

Money and Funding

Romania does run at a lower cost of living than America, however, as part of the European Union, travel to the region can still become expensive. RTC is committed to keeping costs at a minimum. Even so, the average cost for a one-week trip is over \$2,500. Our overall price will include everything you need while traveling such as food, transportation, housing and necessities.

Spending money is not included, but you should not need a lot of extra cash depending on souvenirs and items you expect to purchase. It is NOT recommended to carry large amounts of money. Keep all cash, cards and valuable items on your person in a bag with a secure zipper, lock, or underneath your outer layer of clothes. Your trip leader will assist you in money exchanges as needed.

Fundraising can feel daunting, especially if you have never done it before. Some people are great fundraisers and find it comes naturally. Others struggle with the concept of asking others for money. We know we could not do what we do, if others did not do what they do. Part of the blessing and challenge of missions is learning how to accomplish this mission together financially. We suggest talking to family, friends, coworkers, local businesses, and local churches about joining you on this journey. Fundraising experts suggest that 80% of your raised support will come from 25% of the people you ask, so ask a lot of people.

When writing fundraising letters make sure to include the following information:

- Where you are going and with whom
- Why you are going
- What you hope to accomplish while there
- How much the trip costs
- What you are doing to cover the cost
- When the money is due
- What the money covers in regards to your trip
- Who the money should be sent to

Make sure to include the correct address for RTC and/or to show them where to type your name when making a donation on our website.

Contact us for a sample letter which you can change and customize as needed.

Supplies and Packing

Each trip is unique in the supplies needed and delivered. You will be given the appropriate information by your team leader as plans are made. You may be asked to reserve luggage space for transporting supplies to Romania. As a general rule, balloons, candy and small toys are great ways to make friends with the children.

Packing for an overseas trip is an art form. While you do need to be sure you have all the medication you will need for the whole trip, be very careful not to overpack in other ways. Do not worry if you forget minor things. Most everyday items can be purchased in Romania. You will be responsible to carry what you pack, so keep weight in mind. We will be using vans to get around the country, so also be mindful that luggage space may be as much if not more limited there than the airlines.

The following list is items we recommend packing:

General:

- Passport
- Bible, notebook, pen
- Spending money
- Toothbrush/paste/floss
- Razor/shaving cream
- Deodorant
- Soap
- Shampoo
- Comb/brush
- Feminine hygiene items
- Vitamins
- Prescriptions
- Insect repellent/lotion (seasonal)
- Suntan lotion/sunscreen (seasonal)
- Sunglasses
- Camera/film/storage cards/extra batteries
- Alarm clock
- Small flashlight/extra batteries
- Sweater or Jacket
- Anti-bacterial hand cleaner

Clothing and Misc. Items

- * Undergarments
- * Comfy shoes/socks
- * Sleepwear
- * Outerwear
- * Contact lens care items
- * Reading material
- * Earplugs
- * Current Adapter: RO is 230
- * Flip flops/ sandals

Only one nice outfit is needed. For men, this could be khaki pants and a golf shirt or sweater. For women, this could be a skirt and blouse combination or a dress. This is for our host's benefit and comfort more than RTC's expectation as we do everything possible to stay in line with local culture.

Other suggestions:

1) Consider very carefully what you will pack in your carry-on bag. Your carry-on may be the only bag that makes it to your destination on time, so pack all necessities and valuables there. It is recommended to pack at least one change of clothing and all medications in this bag. Your carry-on must fit in either the overhead compartment, or under your seat. For most carry-ons the size must be 22 inches long, 14 inches wide and 9 inches high or smaller. Please check your airline's website for specific luggage requirements.

2) Limit the amount of valuables you bring. Jewelry and items with emotional value are not suggested. To be safe, please leave them at home.

3) You might be able to do laundry in Romania, but It is suggested that you plan to rewear items (within reason).

4) Checked or stowed luggage can be up to, but not over 50 pounds per bag without an extra fee. Your checked bag may or may not be included in your ticket and cannot be over 62 linear inches. You will be charged for excess baggage.

5) Work with your teammates for items that can be shared.

Strangely enough, the weather in Romania mirrors that of the mid-western United States almost year round. Winter trips will be cold, spring trips will be chilly, and summer trips hot. It's always helpful to check the 7-day forecast for Romania prior to leaving.

Church

It is quite possible that you will get the opportunity to experience a church service while in Romania. Most churches are very conservative. Women are expected to wear dresses or skirts. Other churches are more casual and will be closer to what you are familiar with. Be prepared for either, and remember we are there to learn as well as to teach. Church in Romania traditionally lasts exactly two hours. Much time will be spent in prayer and worship. Use this time to evaluate and reflect on what you are experiencing and be drawn into a closer relationship with your Lord.

Travel

While your total time in air is expected to be around 12 hours, the actual time it takes from leaving your first airport to the time you arrive in Romania may be around 24 hours. Your trip might be broken up with an overnight stay in Budapest. Either way, do your best to be well rested before leaving on this trip.

Suggestions for air travel:

- Get up and move around every 45 minutes to an hour
- Drink plenty of water and then drink some more
- Wear comfortable clothing in layers
- Sleep as much as possible on your long flight!
- Expect to hit the ground running when you arrive to help combat jet lag
- Try to stay awake until at least 8:30pm your first night to adjust to local time

You will have an approximate four-hour drive by van or bus from Budapest to Romania. This will be a good time to get to know your teammates. Make the most of every opportunity.

Be prepared for extra inspections. Always be polite and courteous, especially to officials at the airport and borders. Do not leave any of your luggage unattended. It may be stolen, so please hold all bags tightly, especially in a crowd. Your team leader will provide instructions as needed when going through customs. Be calm, friendly, and quiet. Do not volunteer more information than is asked or required. Customs is not the place to make a joke or remark that could become regrettable.

It is important to understand when traveling internationally that you will encounter people with expectations much different than you may be used to. Consider who you represent and do your best not to offend or try to help people “see the light” as to how “we” do things. Keep spatial awareness in mind and know that norms such as the volume of your voice are different in different countries.

Schedule

The key word in regard to the daily work schedule in Romania is FLEXIBILITY! Please keep in mind that Romania moves at a different pace than you may be used to, but RTC will do everything possible to make the most of your time in the country.

Plan on going to bed late and getting up early. You will be there to do a job and must give it all you've got while there. Of course, RTC will create opportunities to rest and have times of refreshment. Make the most of those opportunities so that you can be fully present, especially when interacting with the children. New relationships only happen when you are willing to invest time and attention. Relationships are vital to the work and ministry that RTC does and will continue to do in Romania.

Housing and Food

We change where we stay depending on the group and location of the work. You may be in a duplex at House of Hope, a hotel in town, or a cabin/guest house connected to



other ministry partners. Either way, you will be provided with sheets, towels, and basic necessities. RTC will do all that is needed to make your stay enjoyable, but please come with an open mind to share and work together, giving everyone the space and schedule they need.

Food you will receive in the airports and airplanes will be familiar to you. You may get to experience Hungarian cuisine if time allows in Budapest.

As for food in Romania, RTC will not let you go hungry. Please be courteous and eat what you are served. Remember the missionaries' code is: "Lord where you lead me I will follow, what you feed me I will swallow!" You will have the opportunity to try many new foods, some of which are my favorite in the world!

It is ok to bring things such as energy bars, crackers, pop tarts, and such with you for between meals. PLEASE MAKE SURE you notify RTC prior to departure of any dietary needs or concerns, especially food allergies or other medical conditions.

Communicating with Home

Please do not promise loved ones at home that you will call at specific times. RTC can not guarantee Internet access. When possible, your team leader will send group emails to update those back home. RTC understands the need to stay in touch with loved ones at home, but please understand your need to be completely present to serve the mission field to which you have been called. Please limit your phone calls to only necessary contacts and give your mission fieldwork your full attention while in Romania. You will be given an information sheet to give to your loved ones with emergency contact information for RTC Romania before you leave on your trip.

Specific trip information will be sent via email for those traveling as it becomes available. Please ask family and friends to understand the time difference and only try to contact you in an emergency. Romania is 7 hours ahead of the US Eastern Standard time zone.

Emergency Plans

It is very important that you have a plan already in place, should an emergency at home arise while you are traveling. It is very difficult to change flight plans on the spot, so be sure to discuss an "in case of the worst case scenario" plan with your family. Having these conversations before you leave may save you and your loved ones a great deal of unnecessary anxiety if tough decisions have to be made. This is rarely an issue, but if anything does happen while you are away, you will be glad to have pre arranged plans considering an abrupt return.



If there is an emergency in Romania or a country we are passing through, RTC and the leaders there will help you with whatever is necessary. RTC takes every precaution when traveling and is registered with the US Embassy in Romania. Therefore, if an international crisis occurs, RTC will work with the US Embassy concerning a safety plan. Romania is very American friendly and we expect a great trip with no problems. Please note that you will receive emergency contact information and a step-by-step plan for your family in case they need to reach you while you are with RTC. This information will be given to you and discussed during your pre-trip team meeting.

Re-Entry

Re-entry is a mission's word for what to expect once you come home. RTC's commitment to helping you grow and make the most of your trip does not end on the field. Whether you have been in Romania for 1 week, 2 weeks, 2 years, or 20 years, coming home can be very exciting, sometimes painful, and may have some degree of shock. On your trip, you may witness extreme poverty for the first time in your life. Some of you may experience a surge of patriotism and gratitude for being a US citizen. Be thankful for these emotions. Your family may not appreciate, to the same degree as yourself, all that you have seen and learned. Be patient and understanding of them. It will also be tempting to meld back into your old ways of luxury and excess. Pray that God will use your mission experience to open your eyes to new ways to serve Him. We hope you will give personal consideration to connecting and involving others to what God is doing through RTC.

RTC is committed to making the most of your trip. Therefore, we ask you to commit before going on the trip, to complete a post-trip evaluation and to attend at least one follow-up/reunion session after returning home. We also hope you will share your experience with friends and family by hosting or participating in a story sharing event, sending out a followup letter, and inviting others to also connect with RTC.

Forms

The following forms must be submitted to Remember the Children before traveling to Romania:

- copy of your passport
- release of liability
- signed covenant
- completed application
- permission to conduct a background check form
- medical note from your doctor stating that, to his or her knowledge, you are fit/capable/clear to serve on an international mission trip and work in close proximity to children



Release of Liability

In signing this form, I _____ agree not to hold Remember the Children, its officers, employees, or their agents liable for any injury, loss, damage, or accident that I might encounter while on a mission trip to Hungary and Romania.

I realize and acknowledge that my participation on a mission trip includes risks and possible dangers. I am well aware that my participation may expose me to accidents and/or other calamities.

I hereby assume any such risks that might result from my travel to the previously mentioned countries. I unconditionally agree to hold Remember the Children, its officers, employees, or other agents blameless for any liability concerning my personal health and well being, or any liability for my personal property that might be lost, damaged, or stolen while on this trip.

I have carefully read the foregoing and I understand that my signature herein holds the organization, its officer, employees, or other agents harmless for any liability for injury, damage, loss, accident, delay, or irregularity in schedule and do hereby assume all responsibility for my own behavior, actions and the consequences thereof.

Signature _____ Date _____

Witness _____



Remember the Children Covenant

I realize that the following elements are crucial to the effectiveness, quality, and safety of our trip together. As a member of the Remember the Children team I agree to:

1. Attend the orientation session(s), function within the guidelines of the trip, participate in team debriefing while on the field and upon return home, and be available to share my experiences with others.
2. Remember that I am a guest working at the invitation of a local missionary, pastor, medical clinic, etc. If my hosts are offended by my bare arms, shirtless back, or exposed legs, I will cover them. If they offer me goat meat stew, I will try it. I will follow the missionaries' creed, "Where you lead me, I will follow. What you feed me, I will swallow!"
3. Remember that we have come to learn, not to teach. I may run across procedures that I feel are inefficient, or attitudes that I find closed-minded, but I will resist the temptation to inform our hosts about "how we do things." I will be open to learning about other people's methods and ideas.
4. Respect the host's view of Christianity. I recognize that Christianity has many faces throughout the world, and that the purpose of this trip is to witness and experience faith lived out in a new setting.
5. Develop and maintain a servant attitude toward all nationals and my teammates.
6. Respect my team leader(s) and his or her decisions.
7. Refrain from gossip.
8. Refrain from complaining, and instead choose to be creative and supportive.
9. Respect the work that is going on in the country with the particular church, agency, or person(s) who we are working with.
10. Fulfill all logistical requirements regarding passports, finances, immunizations, etc.
11. Refrain from negative political comments or hostile discussion concerning our host country's politics.
12. Remember not to be exclusive in my relationships. Even if my sweetheart or spouse is on the team, we will make every effort to interact with all members of the team, not just one another. If I am attracted to a teammate, I will not pursue an exclusive relationship until after we return home.
13. Refrain from any activity that could be construed as romantic interest toward a national. I realize that certain activities that seem harmless in my own culture may be inappropriate in another.
14. Abstain from the use of tobacco and illegal drugs at any time on this trip.

Signature: _____ Date: _____



Remember the Children Trip Application

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Date of Application:

Please indicate the date of the trip to Romania that you desire: _____

PERSONAL

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Full Name as it does or will appear on your Passport _____

Do you have a Passport? Yes No What is the expiration date? _____

What is the passport number? _____

Street Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone: Cell (____) _____ Other (____) _____

E-mail Address _____ Date of Birth _____ Male Female

Single Engaged Married Separated Divorced Widowed

Do you smoke? Yes No Do you consume alcohol? Yes No Do you snore? Yes
 No

CHURCH

Where is your church membership? _____

When did you start attending? Month/Year _____

Do you participate in a Sunday School Class, Bible study, or small group? _____



MINISTRY

Which church ministries are you presently involved with? _____

Briefly list your previous ministry involvements:

Have you attended the **Contagious Christianity** class, **How to Share Your Faith Without Fear?** or any other evangelism training? Yes No

Please list your spiritual gifts:

Briefly list any previous cross-cultural experience in ministry:
(e.g., inner city, international students, refugees, another country, etc.)

SKILLS

What foreign languages do you speak, read or write? (Please indicate your proficiency level)

Please list all specialized skills which you have developed and are able to use: (e.g., medical, music, drama, financial planning, graphics, bricklaying, carpentry, culinary, electrical, electronics, computers, athletics, etc.)



| Skill: | Fair | Good | Excellent | Professional |
|--------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

EMPLOYMENT

- Employed Self-Employed Retired Unemployed Student Other

Please complete the following information: (Your employer will not be contacted)

Name of Employer _____

Employer's Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Position _____

EDUCATION

High School _____ Year Graduated _____

Trade, Business, or Technical School _____

Course of study _____ Year Graduated _____

Junior College _____

Major _____ Degree _____ Year Graduated _____

College/University _____

Major _____ Degree _____ Year Graduated _____

Graduate School _____

Major _____ Degree _____ Year Graduated _____



CHARACTER REFERENCES

1. Church Staff Member:

Length of Time Known:

Home Phone:

Work Phone:

2. Other Reference:

Length of Time Known:

Home Phone:

Work Phone:

3. Other Reference:

Length of Time Known:

Nature of this relationship: _____

Home Phone:

Work Phone:

MEDICAL

Describe your health: (Include a description of all conditions which may limit your normal abilities in stress-related situations)

SPIRITUAL LIFE

Spiritual Journey: Please indicate the nature of your present relationship with God.

I am not a believer, but I am open to learning and understanding more; right now I consider myself to be...

a skeptic (*doubting*) a spectator (*observing*) a seeker (*searching*) unsure (*lacking confidence*)



I am a believer, I have accepted Jesus as Lord & Savior, and right now in my faith development, I am a...

new believer (*recently trusted Christ*)

growing believer (*trusted Christ, developing as a follower*)

mature believer (*experiencing life as a fully devoted follower of Christ*)

How did you come into a relationship with Jesus Christ?

Please describe your present spiritual journey in life, especially regarding these values: grace, growth, involvement, prayer

What expectations do you have personally for this team, trip and cross cultural ministry experience?



By submitting this application to go to Romania with RTC, I understand that I am personally responsible to arrange funding for my portion of the team/trip costs. Yes No

RTC photographs/videotapes segments of each trip for ministry promotional purposes. Your image may appear in one of our publications. I do do not give my permission for RTC to use my image.

I understand that in order to process this evaluation, RTC must have a background check conducted on me, and I give my permission for this. _____ (Initial for consent) (We will send you a formal consent document upon receiving this application).

I understand that I must also submit the following documents in addition to this application: waiver/release, RTC covenant, and an official note from your doctor stating that in their professional opinion you are fit/ capable to participate in an international mission trip and to work with children while on that trip. _____ (Initial for consent)

I understand that RTC may reject any application per their judgment. _____(Initial for consent)

Comments:

Signature _____ Date _____



Background Check Authorization (Confidential)



Print Full Name: _____

Former Name(s) and Dates Used: _____

Current Address Since: _____

(Mo/Yr) (Street) (City) (Zip/State)

Previous Address From: _____

(Mo/Yr) (Street) (City) (Zip/State)

Previous Address From: _____

(Mo/Yr) (Street) (City) (Zip/State)

Social Security Number: _____ DOB: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Driver's License Number/State: _____

The information contained in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge (Initial) _____

I hereby authorize _____ and its designated agents and representatives to conduct a comprehensive review of my background causing a consumer report and/or an investigative consumer report to be generated for employment and/or volunteer purposes. I understand that the scope of the consumer report/ investigative consumer report may include, but is not limited to the following areas: verification of social security number; credit reports, current and previous residences; employment history, education background, character references; drug testing, civil and criminal history records from any criminal justice agency in any or all federal, state, county jurisdictions; driving records, birth records, and any other public records.

I further authorize any individual, company, firm, corporation, or public agency to divulge any and all information, verbal or written, pertaining to me, to _____ or its agents. I further authorize the complete release of any records or data pertaining to me which the individual, company, firm, corporation, or public agency may have, to include information or data received from other sources, and its designated agents and representatives shall maintain all information received from this authorization in a confidential manner in order to protect the applicants personal information, including, but not limited to, addresses, social security numbers, and dates of birth.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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