Haiti What to Expect

Flying in:

- 1. It is highly recommended to every group to bring only carryon items such as backpacks and suitcase rollers. This is due to the high volume of people in the airport. Usually there will be at least 2 flights ahead of you and all those people are also waiting for their bags. (Hold onto your checked bag stubs you will need to verify that the bags you are carrying belong to you)
- 2. When you exit the airport you will need to hand over the **white paper** you filled out on the plane and make sure to keep the **green stub** from the immigrations officer. Put it away somewhere safe. You will need this to exit the country.
- 3. Hold on to your bag tight. There will be a large group of men who will try to help you carry your bags to the car. Communicate that you do not want their help and keep walking. ("No thank you" repeatedly works well)
- 4. Missionary staff will meet you outside the airport, as they are not allowed to go in. They will be on the lookout for your exit
- 5. Stay close to the missionary staff, as they will walk you to the vehicles.
- 6. Road conditions are poor so expect the ride to be bumpy, hot and sometimes lengthy.

Accommodations:

- 1. You will be staying at the Missionary guesthouse which is dorm style accommodations (males and females are in separate rooms)
- 2. The electric at the guesthouse is the same we use in the U.S.; no adapters are necessary. Electricity is unpredictable so be flexible. (A team leader will pass on wifi passwords once you arrive)

Visiting Churches/Schools:

- 1. You will be interacting with the kids so it is recommended that you bring a small bottle of hand sanitizer with you. (But don't let them see you using it)
- 2. It is ok to take photos, just respect a person if they do not wish to have their picture taken. Try not to aim your camera at just one person.
- 3. We will provide bottles of water for the duration of the day. Please drink plenty of water and stay hydrated.

During Transport:

- 1. Listen closely to any instructions given
- 2. Do not jump out of the vehicle to see something.
- 3. If you see something you would like us to stop for just ask.