

Sample SLP Support Raising Letter

Here is a sample support raising letter. Please do not copy this letter word for word – make it fit your personality. This is just to help you start. Also, make sure you sign each letter individually (DO NOT photocopy your signature.). With each letter, make sure you also enclose a response card (See support form on the next page.) and a pre-addressed envelope.

Dear _____,

This year I have the wonderful opportunity to participate in my first mission trip to Haiti. There will be a team of us partnering with Healing Haiti to serve the poorest of the poor in and near Port au Prince, Haiti. This organization is doing incredible humanitarian work for the poor, orphaned, and widowed.

God is doing great things in Haiti. It is exciting to know that I can be a part of it. We will be flying from Minneapolis to Port-au-Prince on ____ and returning _____. This will allow us a week to serve and care for the poor. During the week we anticipate serving in several ways, such as delivering water to communities without means of water, caring for children at orphanages, and encouraging the elderly and nationals who assist in these care ministries. I look forward to being a part of this and learning more. We will stay at a local site and get firsthand experience of the culture.

Our team will be meeting in preparation for this trip. As part of the training I will undergo to prepare for this experience, I will learn how to share the news of God's love and will be trained in servant hood, teamwork, and effective ministry. I am excited to learn more about Haiti and how God will use my gifts to serve Him.

I believe that God has called me to be part of this mission trip, and I am inviting you to be part of this adventure with me. My desire is to enlist as least 20 people who will pray with me faithfully through my training and my time there. There is also an opportunity to be a part of my personal financial support team. The trip cost is estimated at \$1,650, and I will pay this through contributing myself and through donations. I am trusting that God will provide me with the money I need to participate in this mission trip.

I've enclosed a response card and a return envelope. If you would be interested in supporting me through prayer and/or financial donation, I would love to hear from you. Thank you for taking the time to read about the opportunity I have coming soon and for prayerfully considering your involvement in my support team.

Serving Him,

(Sign your name here.)

P.S. Please fill out the enclosed response form and return it to me before (insert date). Checks should be made payable to Healing Haiti. For tax purposes, please do NOT include my name or missions anywhere on the check.

Sample Enclosed Response Form

The Finance office can not issue a tax statement without knowing the donor's name and address. As a result team members must include the below type of form when turning in any cash donations. Anonymous donations are acceptable as long as donors know they will not receive a statement for taxes.

SUPPORT FOR THE HAITI MISSION TRIP

Dear *(insert your name here)*, I/We want to support you as you prepare to serve God on this mission trip.

I/We are willing to support in the following way(s):

- As prayer partners with you as you prepare and while you are learning to share your faith through the mission trip.
- Through a financial gift of \$_____, which will help equip you and your team to touch many lives in Haiti and when you return home. (Make checks payable to Healing Haiti. *Leave the Memo line blank.*)

Name of Supporter(s): _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email – for me to send you updates:

Please return to: *(insert your address here)*