

Traveling with a group on a mission overseas requires a little extra care in packing. The following instructions will be helpful in preventing mistakes that might cause problems with the airlines and/or with U.S. or Foreign Customs.

The airlines allows each person to have two "checked" bags and one carry on bag, however since you will be traveling as a group **you will be limited to One "checked" bag and one carry on** for your personal use. The reason for this is that the Group will have be taking items such as tools, bibles, tracts, food, ect. which usually requires at least one package per person.

Checked bags must not measure more than 60 inches (add the length + width + hieght) and must not weigh more than 70 pounds. We will weigh all checked bags prior to leaving to verify they meet the weight restriction to avoid problems at the airport. If your personal checked bag weighs less than 70 pounds and is not full we usually ask that you pack some bibles to bring the weight up to the 70 pound limit. The weigh in takes place on the day before departure. It is critical that you be present for this.

Carryon bags must be small enough to be stowed in the standard airline overhead compartment or under the seat.

Don't forget you passport. Keep it on your person at all times, not in your bag! Make a photo copy of it and pack in your carry on bag and another copy to leave at home.

Don't have knives in your carryon bag. Put them in your checked bag. Don't have any other item in your carry on that might be considered dangerous or used as a weapon. (hammers, razors ect..) If in doubt, put it in your checked bag, don't take any chances on causing delays at the airport. The airlines are very strict these days.

You should pack some snacks but don't take items containing beef. This will cause problems with the Honduran Customs. If the package says it contains beef, leave it at home.

Don't put all of your clothes in you checked bag. Sometimes they get lost and you don't want to be without at least one change of clothes.

If you have medicines, pack them in your carry on. Make sure to pack them in the original containers.

If there are any other items that you could not get by without for a week, put them in your carry on.