

The Duffle Bag Program HMI Mission Trips

We always have supplies which we must bring down for each mission group which we pack in duffle bags and are used as the checked bag for each member of the team. Our Duffle Bag program allows each missionary to pack your own duffle bag with some personal items that you may want to give away. The current plan allows for a checked duffle bag of **50# or less** to be carried on by each missionary.

Items that are NOT allowed:

Knives, weapons, guns, vitamins, medications, meats and fruit

Items to consider:

Clothes and shoes in good shape (Warm weather)

Hats and caps

Carry bags, back packs and purses

Disposable razors and tooth brushes

Toys: Tennis balls (petite balons), soccer balls (deflated), Frisbees, harmonicas, nail polish, sun glasses, etc.

Small packs of peanuts

Beef jerky/dried smoke sausage (treats for the kids)

tooth brushes

We will collect about 25% of what you pack to be used for the Family Distribution that will be given out as a group.

The remainder will be for you to distribute in a personal way to those we meet on our hikes in the hills near the HMI compound and beyond.

What you need to know:

Bags cannot weigh more than 50#s.

We are still going to be limited to the total number of bags that we can bring (which is one) and no one is going to be allowed to check and/or pay for extra bags. We have strict weight limits on the charter flights and only our carryon luggage travels with us. All our checked bags are transported by vehicle from PAP to Jeremie by a driver Fr. Joe hires and there is a limited amount of space for the duffle bags.

We will need an itemized list of what you pack for the manifest that we prepare for customs. Thanks for your cooperation. Your items will be a blessing. For any questions or clarification, please check with your team leader.