

# TRAVEL APPLICATION AND WAIVER

Go Global

**Full Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Trip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Birthdate:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Male Female**      **Valid Passport: Yes No**  
(Please attach a copy of passport)

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-Mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Emergency Contact/Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of your referral, if any:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Small Print – Terms, Conditions, Waiver and Health Declaration:**

1. I have or will secure health insurance to provide adequate coverage for any injury or illnesses that I may sustain or experience while participating in Go Global (the “Company”) trips, and I certify that my health coverage will adequately cover me while outside the United States. I hereby release and hold harmless the Company, its employees and agents from any responsibility or liability for expenses incurred by me for injuries or illnesses (including death) that I may incur while on the trip.
2. I warrant to the Company that I am ready, willing, and able to physically and mentally participate in this trip. I knowingly and voluntarily assume each risk related in any way to my participation. I understand there is, without limitation, no life, health care, or other insurance provided for me by the Company which would cover my death, or health care or other expense arising out of any injury or illnesses that I might sustain resultant from my participation in this trip. I accept responsibility to pay and be responsible for all expenses arising out of injury or death myself and/or, due to my act(s) or omission(s), to any other person/entity. I acknowledge I have sole responsibility for loss or damage caused to or by my personal property used in/for the trip.
3. I understand that there are unavoidable and unforeseeable risks in travel abroad. These risks include, but are not limited to, criminal activity, terrorism, public health risks, transportation risks, property loss or damage, physical or emotional injury, and death. I acknowledge that I have independently reviewed and assessed said risks. Knowing these risks, and in consideration of being permitted to participate in the Company’s trips, I agree, on behalf of myself, my family, heirs, and personal representative(s) to assume all the risks and responsibilities surrounding my participation in the Company’s trip. To the maximum extent permitted by the law, I release, hold harmless and indemnify the Company, its employees and agents, from and against any present or future claims, loss, or liability for injury to person or property, which I may suffer, or for which I may be liable to any other person or entity, during my participation in the Company’s trip (including periods in transits to or from the country where the trip is being held).
4. No refund is possible for any person starting but not completing a trip. Please understand that the Company has no protection coverage on trip participants themselves, and that trip members intentionally assume the many risks inherent in international travel.
5. The Company strongly encourages all trip participants to consider purchasing insurance to cover the following risks while on a trip: medical, surgical and dental; additional expenses; baggage; loss of money; personal accident and personal liability.

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6. Trip itinerary is subject to change. International travel may be full of surprises and we need to be flexible enough to take advantage of whatever comes along so that we may provide you with the best possible trip experience. Uncompleted portions of the itinerary are not cause for refund.
7. I hereby release, waive, discharge and covenant not to sue the Company, its employees and agents (hereinafter referred to as "releasees") from any and all liability, claims, demands, actions and causes of action whatsoever arising out of or relating to any loss, damage or injury, including death, that may be sustained by me, or to any property belonging to me, while traveling to the destination described above. I voluntarily assume full responsibility for any risks of loss, property damage or personal injury, including death, that may be sustained by me, or any loss or damage to property owned by me, as a result of my traveling to the destination described above. I further hereby agree to indemnify and save and hold harmless the releasees and each of them, from any loss, liability, damage or costs they may incur during my travels. It is my express intent that this Release shall bind the members of my family and spouse, if I am alive, and my heirs, assigns and personal representative, if I am deceased, and shall be deemed as a Release, Waiver, Discharge and Covenant Not to Sue the above named releasees.
8. Participation: Although we want everyone to have a good time, it sometimes happens that someone participating in a trip can misbehave or do things that are incompatible with the safety, comfort or convenience of other members of the trip. You agree that in those circumstances we have the exclusive right and discretion, to expel someone, or even you, from a tour at any time, without any claims or complaints by you against us.
9. Disabilities: Any pre-existing physical, mental, or emotional disability that may require attention or treatment must be reported in writing prior to the beginning of a trip.
10. Trip cancelled by the Company: Although unlikely, your trip may be cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances. If the Company cancels a trip you have paid for, the entire amount you have paid to the Company will be refunded to you within thirty days after the trip's cancellation. Once this occurs, the Company and its representatives have no other obligations to members on cancelled trips including any additional costs or fees related to the issuance and/or cancellation of airline tickets or other travel reservations not made by the Company.
11. I certify that my agreement to the provisions herein is voluntary and farther that, prior to signing of this waiver I have the right to consult an advisor or attorney of my choice.
12. I certify that I have read and understood Travel Application and Waiver.
13. I certify that I am at least eighteen years of age or, if not, that I have secured below the signature of my parent or guardian as well as my own.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of participant)

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of parent or guardian is under 18 years of age)

**Return this Application and Make Trip Payments to  
St. Thomas Episcopal Church**

## **Tour Conditions (keep for your records)**

*Price Guarantee:* Our tour prices do not include airfare and are subject to change without notice due to the unpredictability of currency rates and trip costs. However, your price for your selected tour will be locked and guaranteed the moment we receive your deposit.

*Covered by the Price:* Sightseeing tours by GG guides, including admissions to sights seen as a group; all breakfasts and some dinners; accommodations each night, often in smaller, centrally located hotels; all transportation required for trip activities from the first to the last hotel (transportation for optional and independent activities during the trip is not included); all local guide, driver, and hotel fees and tips.

**Exception:** CS tours do not include guided sightseeing, admissions, or meals.

*Tour Payments:* To reserve a spot on a GG tour you must agree to the Trip Conditions and provide us with \$500 deposit per person. Deposits and payments must be paid by personal check, money order or bank draft. We also accept credit or debit cards for trip payments. **Your final tour payment is due at least 60 days before departure, unless other agreements have been made.** If you sign up for a trip within 60 days of the departure, full payment will be required to confirm your spot; the deposit portion will be non-refundable after 7 days. Your final payment due date will be listed on your tour invoice. Missing the final payment deadline may result in your being removed from the tour. It is your responsibility to ensure that we receive your final payment in a timely manner. If any payment is returned due to non-sufficient funds (NSF), Go Global will assess a \$25 fee per occurrence.

*Cancellations and Refunds:* Your tour deposit is 100% refundable for 45 days from the date it is received, unless noted otherwise. Deposits made 60 days before a tour departs become non-refundable on the final payment due date. If you book a tour less than 60 days before its departure date, the entire tour cost becomes non-refundable after 7 days, but may be creditable in the event of a medical or family emergency. Once your deposit refund date has passed, your deposit will not be refunded under any circumstance.

On the day the tour begins, or any day thereafter, if you leave the tour for a qualifying, unforeseen medical or family emergency, the Company will refund to you \$75 per person for each missed day. If you leave the trip for a non-qualifying reason, there will be no refund possible. Please understand that to in order to keep costs down, and because it may be unobtainable in any event, the Company has no protection coverage beyond the basic package included in the trip price to protect itself, the actions of its employees, or trip participants themselves, and that participants intentionally assume the many risks inherent in international travel. The Company encourages all participants to purchase separate travel insurance to cover possible additional costs (airline tickets, loss of luggage, trip delay, etc.).

*Physical Condition:* Our tours are physically demanding. To enjoy the experience, you must be in good shape. The most active days may average 3-6 miles of walking (often over uneven paving stones), lots of standing while listening to your guide during group sightseeing, and steep stair-climbing while carrying your own bag from the bus up to your room. Whether you are 20 or 70 get in shape before you leave for your international trip. Smokers may not smoke in hotel rooms or during meals. Children under age 18 must room with and be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

*Tour itineraries are subject to change:* International travel may full of surprises and we need to be flexible enough to take advantage of whatever comes along so that we may provide you with the best possible experience. Uncompleted portions of the itinerary are not cause for refund.

*Participation:* If a trip participant misbehaves or does things that are incompatible with the safety, comfort or convenience of other participants, **we have the exclusive right and discretion, to expel someone, or even you, from trip at any time, without any claims or complaints by you against us.**

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*Cancellation by Go Global:* While highly unlikely, your tour may be cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances. If the Company cancels a tour, the entire amount that you have paid to the Company will be refunded to you within thirty (30) business days after the cancellation. Once this occurs, the Company has no other obligations to tour members including any additional costs or fees related to the issuance and/or cancellation of airline tickets or other travel reservations not made by the Company.

*Cancellation by Participants:* We know that sometimes the best-laid plans go wrong. That is why, in certain circumstances, the Company will return some of your money to you if you must cancel or interrupt your trip. We offer this courtesy coverage for your benefit, and for the benefit of your traveling family member(s). A family member is a spouse, a stepchild, or your blood relative in the first degree. We suggest all trip members consider the purchase of comprehensive travel and health insurance.

Although we cannot refund your deposit money under any circumstance, we may refund to you a portion of your trip payment, if you cancel your reservation before the tour begins for a qualifying medical or family emergency as outlined below. The maximum possible refund if you cancel your reservation before the first day of the trip for a qualifying reason is your price, less initial deposit and \$500 cancellation fee.

On the day the tour begins, or any day thereafter, if you leave the trip for a qualifying, unforeseen medical or family emergency as outlined below, the Company will refund to you **\$75 per person for each missed day**. If you leave the trip for a non-qualifying reason, there will be no refund possible. We will refund a portion of your payment, as described above, only in certain circumstances:

1. You or a family member suffer an unforeseeable and disabling *injury* (an unforeseen injury is one which first occurs within 45 days prior to your trip's start date) prior to joining or while on trip;
2. You or a family member suffer an unforeseeable *illness* (an unforeseen illness is one which first occurs within 45 days prior to your trip's start date) requiring hospitalization or urgent medical care prior to joining or while on trip;
3. You or a family member dies;
4. You or a family member are involved in a serious injury-causing accident while en route to a trip departure;
5. You or a family member experience a certifiable personal disaster such as your home floods or burns down, or you are a victim of a serious crime, necessitating a change in travel plans.

If you request a refund of your payment because of an unforeseen illness or injury, we require you to provide us with a letter from your attending physician, typed on the physician's letterhead, verifying the date of onset and the specific reasons given for advice against traveling. If your physician advises you not to travel, you must notify the Company about that event in writing immediately. **This letter must be mailed to the attention of the Refund Department.** If you request a refund of payments because you have been a victim of a crime or a flood or fire or an accident, you must provide us with a copy of a pertinent police, fire department or investigative report.

Go Global will not refund your payments in any amount under these circumstances:

1. Carrier-related delays, including those caused by bad weather, labor disputes, civil unrest or mechanical problems;
2. Personal or business problems or difficulties that are not medically disabling;
3. Governmental obligations or requirements related to subpoenas, summons, jury duty or lawsuits, war, terrorism or the Immigration and Naturalization Service;
4. Your inability to obtain a passport or visa or another travel-related document;
5. Self-inflicted injury or harm; or problems related to alcohol or substance abuse; or
6. Personal injuries caused by high-risk personal activities such as skydiving, racing or bungee cord jumping.

This documents the Company's plan for providing partial refunds of tour payments in certain events. Our willingness to make these limited refunds, however, is no substitute for your purchase of supplemental travel and health insurance.