Guidelines

We look forward to working with you as a fellow laborer for God's Kingdom in the city of Chicago. We have agreed upon the following guidelines for the purpose of maximizing our witness for Christ while we are together as a collective group of bornagain Christians. We appreciate your willing adherence to these guidelines, and we trust it will give clarity to the practical things you may have questions about.

We ask you to respect and uphold any additional standards that your home congregation may have while you serve with our group.

Our desire is to leave a Christian testimony to everyone we encounter. With this in mind, we ask you to practice these guidelines not only while we're officially doing street ministry, but also when we are at the hotel, restaurants, or any other place during the weekend. For the same reason, we encourage you to put effort into being neat and clean rather than careless and disheveled.

The weekend can be physically draining, and we encourage you to get as much sleep as you can once the scheduled activities are over for the day. In the event the director initiates a curfew, we ask for your cooperation in that.

Dress code:

Gentlemen: Please refrain from wearing the following items:

- T-Shirts
- Polo shirts
- Denim jeans (Black jeans are permitted)
- Cargo pants
- White dress pants
- Pullover hoodies
- Conspicuous lettering/logos

We ask the men to have their hair decently cut and kept neat. We ask you to avoid clothing that has a casual look or that draws attention to ourselves instead of to the One we are representing.

Ladies: Please refrain from wearing the following items:

- Denim jackets
- Pullover hoodies
- Conspicuous lettering/logos
- Sandals or any open toed footwear

We ask our ladies to wear the following:

- Modest cape dress
- The traditional white European style covering

We ask you to avoid clothing that has a casual look or that draws attention to ourselves instead of to the One we are representing.

Other quidelines:

The following are a few more items we have decided to avoid as a group since they could have a negative effect on our spiritual health and our witness to others.

- Television
- Movies
- Video games
- Musical instruments

The emphasis of this weekend is ministering to the people in the city and being an encouragement to the other members of our group. Considering this, we encourage you to minimize the use of your cell phone and make deliberate effort to connect with those around you. In addition, we discourage taking pictures with your cell phone while on the street. There will be appointed photographers for the weekend and the pictures they take will be shared with the rest of the group.

If there are any card games played during the weekend, we'd ask that you avoid any that are questionable or potentially offensive to members of the group.

If you have any questions regarding these guidelines, feel free to talk to the director. If needed, the director may give additional guidance during the weekend. He has the authority to make those decisions and we appreciate your understanding.

We care for your spiritual and physical safety, and we commit ourselves to God for His care and protection. We trust God will give you grace to respond as Jesus would in every situation. May His Kingdom be advanced!