**SAMPLE FUNDRAISING LETTER**

Dear\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_,

*Summer/Winter* is coming, and I am so fortunate to be able to share my plans with you! On *insert team date*, I have the privilege to participate on a week-long mission trip to Guatemala. I will be traveling with Paradise Bound Ministries. PBM is a Christ Centered Mission in Latin America that began more than 24 years ago. They bring the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the poor and oppressed who are suffering in the most remote villages.

While in Guatemala, we will be doing a variety of projects to serve those we will meet and build relationships with. The first three days our team will build 5 - 10’x 12’ drywall studded homes for families who will leave their cornstalk huts to live in these new homes. Two days of the trip will be devoted to Mobile Medical Clinics. These days are spent in 2 remote villages and we will distribute medications to people that have never had access to medical attention before. These medicines will literally save their lives! This is a great time to interact with the people and with their children as well. At the end of the clinic, we will give our testimonies and share the gospel of Jesus Christ.

We will also be spending time in the Open Doors Orphanage and loving on all the children there. Giving and serving is ministry, and that is what I am excited to be a part of.

There are two ways that you can help me as I prepare to go to Guatemala:

1. **Pray for me.** Please consider this a vital opportunity to pray. Prayers for safe travel, the words to minister with, and a giving and caring heart. Prayers are crucial to this trip! “Prayer does not equip us for the greater work…it IS the greater work.” -Oswald Chambers
2. **Financial support** is crucial to my being able to participate in this exciting opportunity. I am responsible to raise the *insert fundraising amount* it costs to go on the trip. Please pray about this with me. Your giving is in response to God’s command and will enable me to minister to the people of Guatemala. Checks should be made out to *Your church/organization*, and can be mailed to *Insert church/organization address*. All contributions are tax deductible and you will receive a receipt for tax purposes.

To be a part of a mission trip is incredible. I am so excited to go and minister to the people in Guatemala. God is working among the people there, and it is so incredible to be a part of that!

Thank you so much! God bless you as you prayerfully consider your support.

Sincerely,