

## Farm of the Child Reference Form

Farm of the Child is a Catholic faith-based organization which attempts to share the face of Christ with those in the remote village of Trujillo along the northern coast of Honduras. Farm of the Child is comprised of an orphanage, clinic, chapel, and primary school with volunteers serving in each aspect of the project. Volunteers make a 26 month commitment to living in community, sharing their lives with those around them whether it be working, eating, playing, praying, etc. Based on your knowledge of the candidate, please assess how well suited he/she would be to life as a volunteer with Farm of the Child.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Best time to call: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

For how long and in what capacity have you known the candidate? \_\_\_\_\_

Please rate the candidate on the following characteristics:

| Characteristics   | Excellent | Above Average | Average | Below Average | Poor | Unable to Rate | Comments |
|-------------------|-----------|---------------|---------|---------------|------|----------------|----------|
| Compassion        |           |               |         |               |      |                |          |
| Creativity        |           |               |         |               |      |                |          |
| Enthusiasm        |           |               |         |               |      |                |          |
| Flexibility       |           |               |         |               |      |                |          |
| Friendliness      |           |               |         |               |      |                |          |
| Helpfulness       |           |               |         |               |      |                |          |
| Honesty           |           |               |         |               |      |                |          |
| Humility          |           |               |         |               |      |                |          |
| Initiative        |           |               |         |               |      |                |          |
| Leadership skills |           |               |         |               |      |                |          |
| Maturity          |           |               |         |               |      |                |          |
| Motivation        |           |               |         |               |      |                |          |
| Open to direction |           |               |         |               |      |                |          |
| People skills     |           |               |         |               |      |                |          |
| Responsibility    |           |               |         |               |      |                |          |
| Sense of humor    |           |               |         |               |      |                |          |
| Sincerity         |           |               |         |               |      |                |          |
| Spirituality      |           |               |         |               |      |                |          |
| Team player       |           |               |         |               |      |                |          |
| Work ethic        |           |               |         |               |      |                |          |

Additional Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please answer the following questions, providing as many examples as possible:

1. How well do you think the candidate would fit into a missionary lifestyle? What experiences has s/he had in the past that would lend themselves to volunteer life?
2. Please describe the candidate's strengths and weaknesses.
3. How does the candidate deal with conflict with others?
4. Please describe the candidate's spiritual life. How well would s/he fit into a faith community?
5. Overall, how would you rate the candidate? Please explain.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Recommend without hesitation | <input type="checkbox"/> Recommend with reservation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Strongly recommend           | <input type="checkbox"/> Withhold recommendation    |

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for your time and effort in filling out this recommendation. Your responses will greatly assist us in our selection process. Please send your completed form to:

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