ADULT CHILDREN OF MISSIONARIES (ACOM) QUESTIONNAIRE

BACKGROUND INFORMATION



1.	Age (18-24) (25-34) (35-44) (45-54) (55-64) (65+)
2.	With which mission did your family serve? AEF AEM ICF SIM Other
3.	In which country/countries did your parents serve? How long in each? Country Length of service ———————————————————————————————————
4.	Father's home country Mother's home country
5.	From which country/countries do you hold a passport?
6.	In which countries did you live prior to age 18? How long in each? Country Length of time ———————————————————————————————————
	Select the description(s) which best fits your parents' overseas assignment(s) in your st 18 years of life. List approximate number of years in each setting during those years.
	Description Lone family on a remote placement Small, remote placement (less than 7 missionaries) Medium-sized remote (more than 7, less than 25 missionaries) Multi-ministry (e.g. hospital, bookstore, school, church) (more than 25) Urban with other missionaries present Urban without other missionaries present Mission headquarters in host country Mission headquarters in sending country Other. Explain
	EDUCATIONAL HISTORY
8.	Please list the names of all schools attended from first school experience until end of high school. Name of school Type (e.g. public, Years attended boarding, home) (from-to) to to to to to to to to to

HELPFUL AND UNHELPFUL EXPERIENCE AS A CHILD OF MISSIONARIES

	hooling, for which years and in what environment did
you live? Type of living situation	Years (from-to)
Dorm	to
Hostel	to
In host country with other missionary	family to
In host country with non-missionary fa	amily to
In home country with relatives	to
In home country with non-relatives	to
10. If you lived away from home, which type o	of environment did you find most beneficial?
11. If you lived away from home, were at hom went to a public or international school in the your schooling? Check which ones apply.	
Sense of belonging	Good quality of education
Strong mentors	Flexible schedule
Independence	Variety of relationships
Sense of safety/security	Closer identification with host culture
Variety of experiences	Closer identification with home culture
Good facilities Affirmation	Clear expectations Other (explain)
Close/with family	
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12. If you lived away from home, what did you	ı find the most challenging?
13. If you lived away from home, were home s school, what about your schooling was challe	
Poor facilities	Politically related trauma
	Politically related trauma _ack of affirmation
	Abuse - Types (sexual, physical, emotional, spiritual,
•	other)
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Sense of abandonment	By peers By staff mission workers
Never fit in	By people from host culture
Rigid rules	By family By host family
Other (explain)	By host family
(a) What areas of concern would you like to so	ee addressed by SIM?
(b) Have any of these areas of concern affected	ed you personally? Yes No
(c) If you feel comfortable, could you explain	this further here?
	



Use additional paper as needed to answer the following questions.

14. What other factors specifically from your background impacted your life as a child of missionaries in either a positive or negative way (eg language, culture, friends, world view, on-going loss, relationships, trauma (eg car jackings, home invasion, mugging, natural disasters etc))
15. From your own experience, what suggestions would you make to SIM to help children missionaries maximize the benefits of their backgrounds?
16. What suggestions do you have for SIM that might help children of missionaries deal m effectively with the challenges they face because of their experience?
17. Do you have any suggestions for how SIM could more effectively support children of missionaries currently on the field?
18. Have you ever attended a school or mission reunion? Yes No What influenced your decision to attend/not attend?
19. Are you part of an MK network? Yes No How has this benefitted you?
20. Feel free to add additional comments below.
21. Do you know of anyone else that we can contact? Please provide their name and contact details only if permission has been given.
To confirm, this information will be kept confidential and read only by the SIM USA Child Safety Advocate, who will take further action if requested below. Please feel free to ask questions as to the storing and handling of questionnaires the received.
NAME (Optional)
FURTHER ACTION If this questionnaire has raised any issues you would like to discuss further, please provide your contact details below: Name: Email: Mobile:
Mobile:

