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To Whom It May Concern:

Reference for Tony Anthony - Missionary Trips Overseas

I served as Tony Anthony's PA for 3 years during my 5 years in Avanti Ministries. Within this time I arranged countless missionary trips for Tony and his team members, both within the UK and overseas.

In this time-period, I got to know Tony very well. He was consistently passionate to be effective in reaching lost souls with the Gospel and as such had certain requirements set in place for these mission trips. These requirements were of high priority when we were organising the trips and are as follows:

1. Flights – To spend as little time on the road as possible, Tony insisted that he travelled out on the flight that arrived closest to his first speaking engagement and then returned on the earliest flight after his last speaking engagement. He always avoided what he considers to be 'wasted' time on mission trips, to enable him to be as focused and effective as possible and to keep the time away from home as short as possible. The cheapest flights which met the requirements of the trip were always chosen.
2. UK Travel - If Tony had an event in the UK, he insisted that the travel home commenced straight after the event, no matter how long the journey and what time the event was due to close. He always avoided wasted time on mission trips, to enable him to maximize time spent with his family.
3. Itineraries – By Tony's request, it was procedure that I was to push every group that had booked Tony to fill every morning, afternoon and evening with either speaking engagements or outreach activities, no matter how many days the campaign ran for. Whenever free time did appear in the schedule Tony would always spend this time catching up on correspondence and working on future projects.
4. Funding – As Tony's PA, I had full responsibility to manage the majority of Tony's speaking engagements. I can testify that we never charged a fee or requested any payment for the work that Tony did. Some groups gave an honorarium as a gift towards the ministry and work and this was always at their own initiation. All funding for transport would be carefully managed by Avanti Ministries. Tony is registered as Self-Employed and did not receive a salary.

Not once during my 5 years in Avanti Ministries did I witness Tony engage in missions trips for any other reason than spreading the Gospel, and each trip was conducted in the most efficient way that he could find.

Yours faithfully,

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