Ten Things I Hate About American Missions Projects

(as stated by national pastors from around the world)

- 10. You act as if the American church is the true trend setter for how we should all do church.
- 9. You're so concerned over the evil spirits ruling our land when so much evil breeds in your own backyard.
- 8. You live so far above our average standard of living and you behave as if you're still in North America.
- 7. You conclude that you're communicating effectively because we're paying attention when we're actually just intrigued by watching your foreign behavior.
- 6. You're obsessed with picture-taking and making videos during our evangelistic programs. It's really quite embarrasing for us.
- 5. You underestimate the effectiveness of our local church leaders.
- 4. You talk about us to your churches back home in such demeaning ways.
- 3. You too quickly get into the action without thinking through the implications on our churches long after you go home.
- 2. You call us backward for having little regard for your music, no palates for your green salads, no IQ's for your advanced technology, and the list goes on.
- 1. You came to our country because some missions speaker gave you a guilt trip about giving your life to missions.

(Findings generated from responses of 23 national pastors in 12 different countries; By Dave Livermore; Sonlife Ministries)