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## *SmileFaith Dental Mission Trip*

### **“FACTS”**

- 1. What is the mission of SmileFaith?** SmileFaith is a Christian 501c3 non-profit organization helping under-served individuals and Veterans in Florida and Kentucky *smile again* through charitable dental care, wellness initiatives, Christian Life Coach Counseling and more. *\*see Statement of Mission, Values, Vision & Faith @ [www.smilefaith.org](http://www.smilefaith.org)*
- 2. As a dental professional, do I need to obtain a temporary license to serve on a dental mission trip in the State of Kentucky?** SmileFaith is registered with the Kentucky Department of Health and Board of Dentistry. If you are a licensed dentist or registered hygienist, and practice in a state other than Kentucky, you must submit a completed application for a temporary Kentucky license, along with any requested documents, to the **Kentucky Board of Dentistry** at least 4 weeks prior to your trip date. *\*download applications at [www.smilefaith.org](http://www.smilefaith.org)* (temporary licenses are good for 2 years)
- 3. Do I need to obtain special liability insurance to work in the SmileFaith Mountain Dental Center ?** All patients are required to sign the *Waiver & Release of Liability* form and *Consent for Administration of Local Anesthetic* form before receiving dental care. You may refer to your current liability insurance policy to find out if your policy applies to short-term dental events in Kentucky. Additionally, certain protections apply to professionals volunteering with non-profits. *\*see [www.astho.org/Programs/Preparedness/Public-Health-Emergency-Law/Emergency-Volunteer-Toolkit/Volunteer-Protection-Acts-and-Good-Samaritan-Laws-Fact-Sheet/](http://www.astho.org/Programs/Preparedness/Public-Health-Emergency-Law/Emergency-Volunteer-Toolkit/Volunteer-Protection-Acts-and-Good-Samaritan-Laws-Fact-Sheet/)*
- 4. What is the cost of the SmileFaith Mission Trip?** The cost is \$50 per day per participant, plus roundtrip airfare to the closest airport (or ground travel expense to Jenkins, KY), *and* any personal money for shopping/sightseeing/extra snacks.

5. **What is included in the \$50.00 per day mission trip fee?** The \$50 per day trip fee includes comfortable lodging in the guest house, meals and local ground transportation, including airport shuttle. Most participants fly into **Tri-Cities** Airport, Bristol, TN or into **Tri-State** Airport, Huntington, WV. Lodging also includes laundry facilities, Wi-Fi and NetFlix. Jenkins is a small, quaint mountain town and is very “walkable”. Local amenities include a drug store, Dollar General, gas station, Hardees Restaurant, pizza stand, Post Office, bank, Coal Museum, Library and several churches. Evening strolls and *runs* are fun!
6. **What trip expenses are tax deductible?** Any expense you incur for your trip, including the \$50 per day trip fee, is tax deductible. ***\*see your tax professional for more information***
7. **How can my team and I raise money for our trip?** *\*see Mission Trip Fundraising Ideas*
8. **How long is the typical mission trip?** Generally, trips are a “long weekend” (Thursday-Sunday), or one week in length. Trips can be customized per your travel needs and to the schedule of the community dental event.
9. **Who can I bring?** Dentists are encouraged to bring their entire staff. Non-dental team members are invited to come and serve in many areas including greeting, registration, sterilization, vision clinic, and prayer/evangelism.
10. **What dental services will be offered at the clinic?** Typical services are exams, cleanings, fillings and extractions. However, some dentists enjoy offering denture services to pre-screened patients by appointment. Medical doctors and nurses often provide health screenings.
11. **What type of anesthesia will be used for treatments?** Local anesthesia is administered.
12. **What dental supplies and equipment will I need to bring?** The clinic is fully stocked, however, if you have particular instruments or hand pieces you prefer, or you have certain equipment such as loops, please bring them. We also encourage you to donate durable goods and things such as composites and local anesthetics. ***\*donations are 100% tax deductible.***
13. **What is available in the Jenkins, Kentucky area for sight-seeing if I choose to take advantage of a “free day”?** In Jenkins: Visit the Coal Museum. Walk around the pretty downtown lake. Within 15 minute drive: *Pine Mountain* is second highest peak in Kentucky with roadside lookouts. *Bad Branch Waterfall* is a short, but exhilarating hike. Whitesburg is a quaint mountain town with coffee shop, book shop and several restaurants. ***also Visit: [www.tourpikecounty.com](http://www.tourpikecounty.com); [www.thingstodo.com/states/KY/eastern.htm](http://www.thingstodo.com/states/KY/eastern.htm); [www.sekchamber.com/pages/area-attractions](http://www.sekchamber.com/pages/area-attractions)***

14. **Will my team and I have opportunities to minister to others?** Yes! You and your team are encouraged to pray with your patients, share the gospel and encourage them with Bible verses, smiles and hugs! There may be other ministry events that your team can participate in as well.
15. **What clothing will be appropriate for the Appalachian area?** Anyone working directly with patients may wear *scrubs* or comfortable work attire. Other support workers and ministers may wear modest, casual clothing. Comfortable footwear (athletic shoes) is recommended. The mission house has a washer and dryer for your use. Winters are COLD, and often snowy! Spring and fall offer cool days and chilly nights. Summer is warm during the day and often cool at night.
16. **How do I sign-up for a SmileFaith Dental Mission Trip?**
- “Each participant” completes the ***SmileFaith Mission Trip Application*** (download @ [www.smilefaith.org](http://www.smilefaith.org)) and forwards to SmileFaith via email, fax or mail ***\*see contact information below***
  - “Dentists” licensed outside of Kentucky complete the ***Kentucky Board of Dentistry Application for Charitable Dental Licensure*** (download @ [www.smilefaith.org](http://www.smilefaith.org)) and ***mail “notarized” original form with photo to the Kentucky Board of Dentistry \*see mailing address listed on the KBD application***
  - “Hygienists” licensed outside of Kentucky complete the ***Kentucky Board of Dentistry Application for Charitable Dental Hygiene Licensure*** (download @ [www.smilefaith.org](http://www.smilefaith.org)) and ***mail “notarized” original form with photo to the Kentucky Board of Dentistry \*see mailing address listed on the KBD application***
17. **What do I do if I would like to go, but I’m not sure of a trip date yet?** Just complete the applications and we will be happy to work out a trip date that will be convenient for your schedule!



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