Hearts Afire Mission Trip Frequently Asked Questions

What is the cost for a mission trip?

The cost varies depending upon the country of destination and the length of the trip. Refer to the mission trip details link on the specific trip in which you are interested.

Besides the cost of the trip, what other expenses should I plan for?

The cost of the trip includes airfare, ground transportation in the country, lodging, trip insurance and in country meals are included. Additional personal spending money will be used for shopping and other miscellaneous items such as snacks and souvenirs.

How do I sign up to participate on a mission trip?

To register for a mission trip fill out this form [hyperlink] with your contact information and let us know in which trip you are interested.

What will I be doing on my mission trip?

You may serve the people in a variety of ways; from feeding programs and children's ministry to assisting in the medical clinic. There may also be opportunities to serve at an orphanage or on a building project. Each trip is unique and may have a variety of programs in which to serve. Come with a genuine heart to serve and encourage those around you.

Will I have to get special shots before my trip?

We recommend that you contact your primary care physician or local health department for recommendations on immunizations for the country you will be visiting. Additional information can be obtained at www.cdc.gov.

Are there special physical requirements involved to go on a mission trip?

The physical demands vary from trip to trip, and depend upon the particular area in which you are working. Some trips include construction projects in addition to the medical and ministry areas.

Do I need special skills in order to participate on a mission trip?

You only need a heart for others. On each trip there are projects that are completed based on the skill level of the team. You do not need to have any special skills in order to be a part of a mission team.

What should I wear on the mission trip?

This will vary from country to country, but for each trip we provide a suggested packing list including things to bring and what to wear.

What should I bring with me on my trip?

A suggested packing list will be provided for each trip, and you will receive this information as part of the registration process.

How many people participate on a mission trip?

The number of team members on our trips is typically from 10-35 people.

What happens if I get sick or hurt during the mission trip?

Physicians travel on all of our trips and we also purchase special international health insurance that covers medical costs and travel back to the U.S. if necessary.

If there were a serious illness or accident, staff would be available to immediately transport you to a safe hospital or clinic for quality healthcare. Most of the minor discomforts and illnesses that occur during international travel can be taken care of with over-the-counter medicines.

Is Hearts Afire affiliated with a denomination?

Hearts Afire is a non-denominational Christian organization and we welcome people from various beliefs on our trips.

Do I need to know the language?

Translators are part of all our trips. Of course, it always helps to know a few words before leaving if possible to relate to the people.

Do I provide my own funds?

Each individual is responsible for paying for their own trip. We can supply you with fund-raising ideas and resources to help seek assistance from family and friends.

What are the conditions like?

We ensure that lodging, food and water are safe. Usually we will stay in either a guest-house or hotel, but the conditions in the work areas vary greatly and may be very rural and primitive.

What if I don't have mission experience?

No experience is necessary. We will help you prepare for your trip and to find a work area that will best fit your skills and abilities.

What is my next step?

• Pray about where God would have you serve.
• Contact us with your questions or to obtain an application, and we'll proceed with getting your process started.