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UGANDA

MISSION TRIP GUIDE 2024



MINISTRY & CAMPUS INFORMATION

Thank you for your interest in joining in on the groundwork taking place through BBB. Please take the time to carefully read through so that you are fully informed of the expectations and equipped to join us and have a pleasant, successful experience. You can also visit <u>www.bbbministriesofuganda.com</u> and read our ABOUT page for more detailed information on projects and specific ministry areas.

More than anything, our hope is for every single volunteer that comes through to encounter God in powerful ways. We ask that you come with an open heart and mind and the right intentions to serve and allow God to use you as He sees fit. Because this is a mission trip, we ask that you mindfully prepare yourself spiritually through prayer and fasting before you begin your experience.

INDIVIDUAL/TEAM LEADERS

Teams are expected to have a Team Leader who facilitates and plans specifics ahead of time. Team Leaders are responsible for the ENTIRE team while on the ground.

If you are serving individually, you will be expected to join in with other teams that are present while you serve and participate alongside them.

PLEASE COMPLETE THE APPLICATION TO COME VOLUNTEER BBB APPLICATION

PERSONAL TRIP COSTS

- Airfare in the U.S. usually ranges anywhere from \$870 to \$1500 depending on the time and season.
- Weekly Food/Water Consumption Fee: \$100 USD (paid upon arrival)
- Transportation, including airport pick up and drop off, as well as Boda rides if necessary. *See Transportation Costs
- Extra money for restaurant outings, souvenirs, and tourist attractions.

Required Additional Costs

- Requested Materials List (list of food and supplies for groups of 5 people or more)
- UGANDA VISA fee \$51.50 (Tourist VISA in Uganda) Must be preapproved online before departure. Complete @ <u>https://visas.immigration.go.ug</u>
- RWANDA VISA fee \$30 (Transit) received upon arrival @airport, BUT you must still get preapproval visa for Uganda before departure. (This is an optional route because it's much closer to the BBB Campus then flying through Entebbe Airport)

IMMUNIZATION

You are encouraged to have the following prior to traveling:

• Mandatory Vaccine:

Yellow Fever (you'll have to bring the Yellow Fever Card with you to enter before immigration). **IF** you have an Egg allergy, you can get a notarized Doctor's note instead.

• **Recommended** Vaccines and Meds: Typhoid, Hep A and B, Malaria Medicine

FLIGHTS & VISA

- **PASSPORT**: Make sure your passport is valid and within 6 months of expiring before your travel dates. It's an international law and you will not be allowed to embark.
- Some airlines ask for the credit card used to purchase your flight when you first embark on your trip. Make sure you either bring the credit card with you or call ahead and verify the card you used.
- VISA ENTRY IN UGANDA: Must be applied online and approved. Can take up to 2 months to be approved. Apply in time please. <u>https://visas.immigration.go.ug</u>

TRANSPORTATION COSTS (AIRPORT)

- ENTEBBE One way for 1-6 people w/luggage = \$325usd.
- ENTEBBE One way for 7-15 people w/luggage = \$650usd.
- RWANDA One way for 1-6 people w/luggage = \$180usd.
- RWANDA One way for 7-15 people w/luggage = \$360usd.

HOTEL COSTS

• Hotel costs per night can vary from \$80/pp - \$150/pp. Please be prepared for this personal cost if a Hotel stay is needed or wanted before reaching BBB Campus

DAILY SCHEDULE

- 7 AM-7 PM is our time to be outside the home, whether working in activities/projects, going to town, etc. 7PM is the curfew for being outside of campus gates.
- A typical Monday-Friday starts with breakfast and devotionals at 7:45 AM, with work starting at 9am. There is a short lunch break and teams will usually head back out until about 5-5:30 PM, after which dinner is served at 6-6:30 PM.

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- 8 PM-10 PM is Team Time (Team Leader can decide on activities)
- 10PM is night curfew, by which lights are out and every single person is in their room.
- On Sundays, we have fellowship at Calvary Church from 11:30am-1:30pm, and then head out to lunch afterwards.

HOUSE RULES

- NO food, shoes, or drinks allowed in Common Areas, Bedrooms, Restrooms, or Showers (except water). Food and drinks are to be consumed in Dining Area or Kitchen.
- 7AM-7PM is our time to be outside the home, whether working in activities/projects, going to town, etc. It's very dark and not safe at other times.
- Electricity is on Solar Panels, so if you're not using an outlet, please turn it off. Please bring a converter/transformer with you as our voltage is 220V.
- Water: our water is turned off a few times a week, so we need to be conscious when it happens and not be too wasteful. We do have solar water heaters, so on sunny days, there will be hot water.
- GIRLS: Please keep your hair in a ponytail or bun around eating areas. Please don't leave loose hair anywhere including bedrooms, bathrooms, and/or showers.
- If you break something, you must pay for it.
- We have SUFFICIENT mosquito and sunblock spray on hand, no need to bring any.

BUNKING & BATHROOMS

Team members will stay on our campus in a mission guest house. Team members will be separated by gender into separate rooms, each with twin bunk beds. You may want to bring earplugs if you are a light sleeper. We also have two rooms for married couples.

Bathrooms have cold running water and showers have hot running water (on sunny days as they are solar heated), and bedrooms have bedding and pillows. We also have clean towels for everyone. We have washing machines, and a dryer, for Laundry. The lighter clothing, the better for faster drying.

DRESS CODE

WOMEN'S DRESS CODE:

- Skirts that are to the knee or longer
- Loose-fitting pants, loose-fitting capris
- Simple, solid, light weight, breathable shirts

- Long-sleeve shirts and sweaters for colder mornings and nights
- Chest and back must be covered
- Chacos or another durable sandal
- Raincoat/Poncho
- Rainboots or Hiking Boots

MEN'S DRESS CODE:

- Bring comfortable shorts, pants suitable for labor
- Bring simple, solid, light weight, and breathable shirts
- Long-sleeve shirts and sweaters for colder mornings and nights
- At least one pair of pants and a nicer (collared) shirt for church
- Closed toe shoes/work boots
- Raincoat/Poncho
- Rainboots or Hiking Boots

THINGS TO KNOW:

- If you're coming to work with children, you can bring activities, games, etc.
- Working with women, most things can be found here.
- Candy is heavy and can be found here, so no need to bring it from the states.
- Secondhand clothing/shoes can also be found here at the markets. **IF** there is a large team and each one can bring 1-2 free luggage's of 50lbs, fill them up with Donations and bring them as there are people that can benefit greatly.
- There will be things I need here that I may not be able to find or that are too expensive, so there will be luggages already made (*mostly in MICHIGAN*) that I'd like for each person to bring. Minimum one 50lbs luggage, if possible two.
- With all international flights from the states, you're allowed two 50lbs luggage's, one carryon and one smaller bag.
- All money is changed to Ugandan shillings upon arrival to BBB Campus, by Lily.
- <u>Don't ever give money to anyone here</u>. If it's on your heart to help someone specifically, please ask Lily first.
- All USD must be new \$100s and new \$50s ONLY, year 2009 and up. No lesser bills can be brought. Uganda will not change old, stained, stamped, written on or torn money.

TOURISM OPTIONS

QUEEN ELIZABETH NATIONAL PARK

- Taxi to take you there/back = \$350usd/spilt with group
- Entrance per person=\$40usd/person
- Entrance fee for car = \$30usd/split with group
- Guided GAME DRIVE (Savana animals) = \$150usd split between group. **IF** the group is more than 8 people, it doubles the price for an extra guided vehicle.
- Boat Cruise=\$30usd/person
- Hotel in Safari Lodge one night = can vary from \$30/person to \$115/person depending on hotel choice
- Food varies on what there's available and what you like = \$10-\$15/meal
- Souvenirs they have them so you can have about \$50usd changed into shillings

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KAMPALA-CAPITAL

- \$300- \$550 spilt with group one way (depending on group size).
- We use boda-boda (motorcycle taxi) around the capital (about \$1 or so every time)
- Hotel varies but can be anywhere from \$50-\$85/pp
- Food average meals are about \$15-\$20usd
- Souvenirs

LAKE BUNYONI BOAT RIDE

• \$75usd/split between group

REQUESTED MATERIALS LIST

These are items that will be stocked for community use. Please bring one of each for a team of **4-10 people**, 2 of each for a team of **11-20**, and so on.

Granola/Protein Bars (Box) Trail Mix / Nut mix Cereal Peanut Butter Nutella Pancake Mix (5 Lbs.) Canned chicken Canned Tuna Ranch Powder/packets Work Gloves / Medical Gloves Electrolyte Powder or Vitamins (OPTIONAL) Baby Wipes Clorox wipes (soft pac) Pam Spray Small Zip-lock bags Laundry Pods (and/or Softener Beads)

CONCLUSION

We are committed to ensuring you have an excellent mission trip experience. If you have any questions, please reach out and let us know. We believe God is going to do amazing things in and through you as you serve on your mission trip. We look forward to seeing you and serving with you in Uganda!

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PLEASE PRINT OUT ONE COPY PER TEAM AND <u>SIGN</u> <u>THIS PAGE</u> ACKNOWLEDGING THAT YOU HAVE READ, UNDERSTAND, AND AGREE TO THE SPECIFICATIONS OUTLINED IN THIS GUIDE. ONE COPY ONLY IS REQUIRED WITH THE SIGNATURES OF ALL TEAM MEMBERS UPON ARRIVAL.