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INTERNATIONAL TRIP FAQs

What does the cost cover?

In short, it covers everything! All transportation, including airfare, as well as food and lodging, are covered. We suggest bringing a small amount of cash for any souvenir shopping you would like to take part in, but everything else is covered.

How can I raise money to cover the trip cost?

If you don't have the resources to pay for your trip outright, you're not alone! Most people who journey with us have relied on the generous support of others to some degree to help them finance their trips. The method that we find to be most effective is writing and distributing support letters to family, friends and coworkers. This connects them to your story and journey in such a compelling way. A sample letter is included in the journey manual that you will receive upon signing up for a trip.

What kind of accommodations can I expect?

This will vary a bit based on the country, but you can expect to be well taken care of everywhere that we go. Particularly in more remote areas, there might be occasional inconveniences such as power outages, no A/C, or lack of hot water, but you can always expect a bed, plenty of good food and the best of hospitality. We can say with confidence that the life change that you will surely experience is well worth any potential discomfort!

What immunizations will I need?

For all the international locations, the CDC recommends, but does not require, Hepatitis A and B, Typhoid, and an updated Tetanus shot. For Kenya specifically, the Yellow Fever vaccine is also recommended. Antimalaria medications are also highly recommended for all locations.

Do I have to have any special skills or experience?

No! Our trips are for everyone. While some of our trips have specific objectives (such as medical clinics in Haiti), we can use people from all walks of life on every trip.

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How are participants prepared before going on trips?

We hold two trainings before each trip where we discuss how to be physically, mentally, emotionally, and spiritually prepared before the journey. We also send out info packets upon registration that include a manual with everything you'll need to know, from what to pack, to how to build prayer and financial support. We do everything we can to ensure everyone is as prepared as possible before departure!

How do I sign up for a trip?

Head to wc.org/events to see our trip dates for the year, read more about each location, and sign up. A \$200 deposit and a simple online application are all that is required to reserve your space on a trip.

What work will I be doing?

This will vary from location to location, and even from trip to trip. Our vision for our team journeys is to plug into long-term initiatives that our in-country partners are advancing every day. That said, we always allow our partners on the ground to lead the way in planning our itineraries. Each location has projects that are ongoing that we can expect to plug into, such as youth empowerment programs, mobile clinics, and farmer field schools to name a few. There are also short-term needs that each location will have, such as minor construction projects or painting, that we will plug into. We also will spend time loving on and praying with families in the communities that we work in. You can also expect to have a lot of fun!

Is it safe?

While there are always risks involved in international travel, we do everything in our power to ensure the safety of every trip member. Our incountry partners are like family to us; they have our safety in mind during every step of the trip planning process, as well as while we're on the ground. We always travel with local leaders who know the in's and out's of the communities we work in, and we provide practical tips on travel safety during our trainings.