



Frequently Asked Questions

What is the cost of the mission trip?

- The cost of the mission trip includes airfare and \$1,595 for accommodations. On average we ask each short-term missionary to raise \$4,300 to cover these costs, although this may vary based on your departure city. Accommodation costs include not only your room and board in Zambia, but also any overnight destination that may be required during the return trip with the group.

What about immunizations?

- Every Orphan's Hope recommends that you visit with your family physician about immunizations. You can also visit the CDC website <http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/zambia.htm> for recommended immunizations. This is a decision that should be made between you and your physician.

- As of April, 2011, the Yellow Fever vaccination is required for travel into Zambia.

What type of travel documents do I need?

- Make sure your passport is current and DOES NOT expire within six months of travel. If it does, you will need to renew your passport. Travel Visas to enter Zambia will either be obtained through the Zambia Embassy in Washington D.C. or when you arrive in Lusaka.

How long does it take to get to Zambia?

- The flight from North America to Zambia can either be a two-day flight or a direct 18-hour flight with a connection in Johannesburg, South Africa. This is dependent upon which airline has seats available. We attempt to have all team members arrive in Zambia on the same flight.

What should I expect for accommodations?

- Over the years, team members have stayed at Abundant Life in Lusaka, Zambia. Rooms can accommodate up to six individuals with twin beds and a shared bathroom. Accommodations are that of a third-world country in which running water is available but may not always be warm. Flexibility is essential for all team members.

What types of meals should I expect?

- Participants are served three meals a day. Breakfast typically includes corn flakes, eggs, toast, bacon, and baked beans. Lunch is served at camp and construction sites and includes rice or nshima (the staple food of Zambia), chicken, and cooked vegetables. Dinner will include chicken or beef, rice, pasta or potatoes, and vegetables.

Do I need to have experience in mission trips?

- No. All you need is a calling to love on the orphans of Zambia and the desire to share how they can have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. The camp curriculum is provided for each team member and is formatted in a way that is easily understood. You are also provided with a local translator to aid you in teaching and based on the number of participants you may also have a partner teacher.

Is there an age limit for the mission trip?

- All participants must be 18 years old or have had graduated from high school. Youth applicants below 18 years must be accompanied by an adult or church youth leader as their guardian.

How do I prepare for the mission trip?

- Our first recommendation is to be in prayer. This is essential before, during and after the mission trip. Every Orphan's Hope also conducts training teleconferences once a month from February - June. Participants are required to be present during each conference so we can ensure efficiency with providing information.