



KENYA

Vision Trip
2018

TRIP DETAILS

TRIP DATES : June 16 - June 30, 2018

ESTIMATED TRIP COST : \$3000 - \$3500

* cost does not include passport fee or required health immunizations

* cost will vary depending on airline ticket prices at time of purchase

TRIP EMPHASIS :

- * Learn about and observe first hand the ministries of Christ's Gift Academy in Mbita, Kenya.
- * Visit sponsored children (your sponsored child, or others sponsored by Harvest Springs families).
- * Engage in working together with the ministry team and staff at CGA including activities such as :
 - group assemblies, classroom interaction & devotions, teacher support & encouragement, work projects associated with ongoing campus development, etc.

HOW TO APPLY :

— Online @ www.harvestsprings.com/outreach/kenya

Applications are due by February 4th (2018)

* Applications require a \$250 deposit

* Space is limited



Frequently Asked Questions

When Is The Application Deadline:

Applications will be due for those interested in going on the trip by December 1, 2017. Applications include a \$250 non-refundable deposit. Once airline tickets are purchased you will be responsible for that amount of cost even if you should end up withdrawing from the trip (Approximately \$1800).

What Does The Trip Cost Include:

The approximate cost of the trip will be \$3000. Cost includes :

- Airline ticket from Great Falls to Nairobi, Kenya
- *Tourist VISA* to enter Kenya
- International Travel *Health Insurance* (typical health insurance does not cover you outside of the US)
- Transportation, Food, and Housing within Kenya
- Safari at the Massai Mara

** Trip cost will vary depending on rate of airline tickets at time of purchase **

How Do I Obtain A Passport :

You must have a *valid* passport for traveling outside the United States.

You can apply for a passport in person at the US Post Office on 2nd St & 1st Ave. N
or online @ <https://travel.state.gov/content/passports/en/passports.html>

* Passport cost is \$135 to obtain; Passports may take up to *90 days* to acquire.

— *Please make sure your passport expiration date is not sooner than 6 months beyond the trip date.* —

What Happens If I Get Sick or Injured :

We will be providing short-term medical health insurance for each member of our group. International Travel Health Insurance covers any illness or injury that may occur while you are outside of the US.

Should the need be significant enough, a medical emergency flight out of the country is also covered.

What About Immunizations :

REQUIRED immunizations for travel to Kenya.

- * Yellow Fever

Highly RECOMMENDED Immunizations :

- * Anti-Malarial
- * Typhoid
- * Hepatitis A
- * Tetanus

Other RECOMMENDED Immunizations : (These typically have been done as a child)

- * Hepatitis B
- * Polio

Contact your health insurance provider to see if they cover travel immunizations

** *Immunizations are typically cheaper through the Cascade County Health Department* **

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Trip Location:

Mbita is a rural community & fishing village located in western Kenya on the shores of Lake Victoria. While boasting a magnificent landscape and beautiful sunsets, it is also known to have one of the highest rates of AIDS in Sub-Saharan Africa, the cause of many children to become orphaned. Our primary ministry focus will be in partnership with Christ's Gift Academy (CGA).

For more info about the area and to learn about CGA visit their website www.cgakenya.org

* LIKE them on facebook ([@christgiftacademy](https://www.facebook.com/christgiftacademy)) and get constant updates on current happenings at CGA!

What Will The Housing Arrangements Be Like :

We will be staying at gated / guarded compound of a local ministry called SEEK. While the accommodations are very rustic in comparison to what we typically experience in the US, think of it much like a camping experience. The cabins have 2 - 4 beds each, have solar electricity (don't count on it always being available). There is a showering area (water might be a bit cold), and toilets that don't need flushing. Certainly do not expect any of the normal comforts of home, but also remember this is much nicer than what many in Mbita live in every day.

What Should I Expect When It Comes To Meals / Food:

SEEK will be providing us breakfast and dinner each day we are in Mbita. Lunch will be provided at CGA and will be the same as the kids and staff eat. Many meals will consist of rice, beans, basic grains or greens/vegetables, and at times a chicken or fish. We will have bottled water available at all times.

What Is The Travel Plan and Modes of Transportation :

We will be flying from *Great Falls* to *Nairobi*, which takes about 30 hours of actual travel time and includes several airport layovers. From Nairobi we will fly to *Mbita* on small (10 passenger) prop planes with Mission Aviation Fellowship. Our return to Nairobi will be by van / bus with a tour company. While in Mbita our primary mode of transportation will be *walking!*

Is There Any Preparation Required Before The Trip :

Yes. There will be *4-5 mandatory team meetings* prior to the trip where we will work on developing a cohesive team, learn about the culture in Kenya, and prepare for our ministry project.

What If I Cannot Afford The Trip Cost:

First, we encourage you to *prayerfully* consider if God is leading you to GO on this vision trip. If you believe that is the case, then consider stepping out by *faith* that He will provide what you need; that may come through your saving and sacrifice, it may come through special provision of income, or through the blessing of others. While it is a great opportunity for those to go and serve, it is also a great privilege for others to partner with you as a support team and thus feel a part of this ministry as well. We encourage all team members to write a *support letter* to family and friends giving them the opportunity to partner with you through financial donations toward your trip cost as well as commit to praying for you before and during our time in Kenya.

If you have further questions about the trip, please contact

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