

Q: What is the process for signing up for a Lakewood Mission Trip?

A: Once you have decided on a trip, go to Lakewood Church website www.lakewoodchurch.com/missions to fill out an online application for the specific trip name. The Missions Ministry will contact you about the next steps for an interview.

Q: How should I choose a trip?

A: The first thing you should do before selecting a trip is pray about your decision. Research the country and the area we will be staying in. For more information about a specific trip, look up on website www.lakewoodchurch.com/missions or email us at missions@lakewood.cc or talk with someone who has already visited that country.

Q: How much does each trip cost?

A: Please refer to the Mission Trip tab.

Q: How do I pay for a Mission Trip?

A: Mission Trip payments will be processed online with a major credit card or debit card for approved applicants only.

Q: What does the trip cost cover?

A: The trip cost covers airfare, housing expenses, ground transportation, travel insurance, all meals at the location. The trip cost does not cover spending money for souvenirs or meals during travel to/from the location.

Q: Is a payment plan available?

A: Yes, however, payments are not required to apply for a Mission Trip. You will receive payment plan information if you are selected for an interview. Payment plans will distribute the total trip cost into typically five monthly payments (maybe less) due on a monthly basis. All applicants who are approved to participate on a Mission Trip are responsible for securing funds to cover their total trip costs.

Q: Will I have to fundraise on my own?

A: Most of your fundraising will be done individually. However, during your team meetings you will learn ways to fundraise for your trip. There are many ways to fundraise, including sending out support letters, holding garage sales, and cutting back on unnecessary expenses. You will have a payment plan to break up the cost to pay it out.

Q: What sort of work will I be doing on the trip?

A: The type of work depends on the trip. We are fortunate to offer a variety of trips. Some trips are labor-intensive, children's ministry and some are geared toward medical professionals but anyone can participate. All of our trips give you a chance to share the gospel with others through testimonies, Bible stories or evangelism.

Q: Do I need a valid U.S. passport?

A: Yes, if you don't already have a U.S. passport, you may obtain one by picking up the forms at certain branches of the U.S. Postal Office or going online to <http://travel.state.gov/passport>. Passports typically take six weeks to process. Your passport must be valid up to 6 months after the trip date.

Q: Do I need to have previous mission trip experience?

A: No. You should have a heart for the mission (particular need/people groups) you are going to serve. However, some of our trips are more intense and are better suited for participants with previous experience. The Living Water trips are great for first-timers.

Q: Will I receive any preparation before the trip?

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A: Your team will meet for training in the months preceding your mission trip. Training will cover subjects such as how to evangelize in another culture, what to pack for your trip, and any other important information. Typically teams will have 5 team meetings along with other team activities. If you are selected to be on the mission trip, you will be required to attend all team meetings and activities in order to maintain your status as a team member.

Q: What is the minimum age to participate in a mission trip?

A: The minimum age depends on the trip. The high school trip allows high school students between the age of 16-18 years old. The adult trips have a minimum age requirement of 18 years old.