

### **INVITATION TO MISSIONS**

Dear Friend,

Thank you for your interest in missions. Together, we can expand the influence of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus.

Our Short-Term Mission Program seeks to provide every person with an opportunity to step out of his comfort zone and experience the remarkable love of God by sharing God's love with others. This is an astounding experience that will forever change your perspectives about life and your personal relationship with Jesus.

Perhaps in all your life you have wanted to share your life, your talents, skills, and experiences with others. Or you have always wanted to deliver hope or just help to add value to someone's life. You might want to consider this as an incredible open door to ultimately achieve your life's goal.

Since 2017, we have led 9 mission trips to Liberia, the largest being a team of 9 persons. In 2023 alone, we have implemented two trips, with two additional scheduled trips for July and December.

If you are interested in joining us for any of the upcoming trips, or other trip in the next year, you may signup at our website (<a href="www.servingafrica.org">www.servingafrica.org</a>) or fill out the attached signup form (see page 4) and return it to us by mail or email.

Thanks for joining us to break the cycle of poverty!

Stephen Wonbenyakeh President & Co-founder

#### BEFORE YOU SIGN UP, PLEASE CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

## **COST IMPLICATIONS**

#### Main Contribution: \$3,650.00

- Liberian Visa
- Round Trip Flight Tickets
- Flight Insurance
- Lodging
- In-country Food/Catering
- In-country Transportation

Payment schedule: \$1,825 (90 days prior to trip). \$1,825 (30 days prior to trip).

#### **Other Areas of Expenses**

- Vaccines you are responsible for the costs of your vaccines. Vaccine related
   expenses are not included in the Main Contribution amount above.
- Passport if you don't have a valid passport, please apply for one now. You can
  apply for a passport through any locations of United States Postal Service.
- Depending on the types of programs that you plan to implement while on the trip, a separate budget will be considered. Usually, food and transportation are needed whenever a Mission Team gathers people together for an activity. And because each team implements different programs, cost implications are always different. Here are some options of programs that we usually implement during mission trips: Pastors Training, Teachers Training, Women's Conference, VBS, Health Education Program for Girls, Vision Screening, Dental Care, Sport/Soccer Games, Feeding Kids with Hot Meals, Service Projects, Community Outreach, and Construction Work.
- Serve Africa encourages members of each mission team to participate in raising any additional budgeted amount, especially money that will be needed for programs/activities that a team decides on implementing during their trip.

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## **BASIC TRAVEL INFORMATION**

- 1. All trips are to Liberia. Liberia is located at the western corner of Africa.
- All trips include a combination of activities including, but not limited to Pastors
   Training, Teachers Training, Women's Conference, VBS, Health Education Program
   for Girls, Vision Screening, Dental Care, Sport/Soccer Games, Feeding Kids with
   Hot Meals, Service Projects, Community Outreach, and Construction Work.
- 3. No professional training is required. Are you a specialist? Let us know and we will plan a specialized program for you.
- 4. Yellow Fever Vaccine is required for entry into Liberia. If you have already taken Yellow Fever Vaccine, you will need the yellow book for travel purpose. Talk to your doctor or County Health Department if you think you need Yellow Fever Vaccine. Note: Yellow Fever Vaccine is valid for lifetime. So, you do not need to retake it. Once you have taken it before, the record will be available in your County Health Department's system.
- 5. <u>Proof of Covid-19 Vaccination is required</u> for travel to Liberia.
- 6. Malaria preventive care is STRONGLY recommended. There are several kinds of preventive medicines for Malaria. Talk to your doctor about the option that is best for you. You may also buy over-the-counter malaria repellent products in addition to your doctor's prescribed medications.
- 7. Other recommended vaccinations are Hepatitis A and Typhoid Fever. Talk to your doctor if you think you need any of these vaccines.
- 8. You are entitled to two checked bags (50 lbs.) and two carry-on bags. Check your airline ticket to confirm. Provisions vary from one airline to the other.
- In your carry-on luggage, make sure to keep extra clothes that can carry you for at least two days. Sometimes checked luggage are delayed or left behind due to airline's fault.

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# **DRAFT ITINERARY**A Typical 14 Day Trip

Day 1	Travel
Day 2	Arrival (8-10 pm Local Time)
Day 3	Flexible (Finalize Plans)
Day 4	Event/Activity
Day 5	Event/Activity
Day 6	Event/Activity
Day 7	Flexible
Day 8	Event/Activity
Day 9	Event/Activity
Day 10	Event/Activity
Day 11	Flexible
Day 12	Event/Activity
Day 13	Flexible
Day 14	Travel



## SHORT-TERM MISSION TRIP SIGNUP FORM

First Name:	Last Name:	
Address (Street, Unit #, City, State, Zip Code)	)	
Mobile #: E	mail:	
1. I am interested in joining you for a S	hort-term Mission Tri	p (choose date):
<ul> <li>January 12-22, 2023</li> <li>January 31-February 14, 202</li> <li>July 3-16, 2023</li> <li>December 4-17, 2023</li> <li>January 22-February 4, 2024</li> <li>July 1-14, 2024</li> <li>December 2-15, 2024</li> </ul>		
Note: Dates are not final until flight tickets	have been purchased.	
2. I am interested in serving in the follo	wing areas during a	trip:
<ul> <li>Pastors Training</li> <li>Teachers Training</li> <li>Women's Conference Speak</li> <li>VBS (Activities with Kids) and</li> <li>Health Education Program fo</li> <li>Vision Screening, Dental Car</li> <li>Sporting Activities (Soccer, K</li> <li>Service Projects (Construction</li> <li>Community Outreach/Evange</li> <li>I want to help in other areas I</li> </ul>	d/or Feeding Kids with or Girls re (and other Medical S (ickball) on Work) elism	
Print Name:	Signature:	Date:
Kindly mail completed form to:	Or email to: <u>info</u>	@servingafrica.org
Attn: Mission Trip Signup Serve Africa 2727 Douglas Ave Des Moines, IA 50310		



## LONG-TERM MISSION SERVICE SIGNUP FORM

First Name:		Last Name:	
Address (Stre	eet, Unit #, City, State, Zip Code) _		
Mobile #:	Ema	ail:	
	ed in serving on a long-term le indicate any area (s) of you		
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