

International Mission Trip Information

Where are we going?

Leogane, Haiti. Haiti is considered to be the poorest country in the western hemisphere with 80% of Haitian people living below the poverty line. Since the 7.0 magnitude earthquake struck Haiti and devastated Port-au-Prince and the surrounding cities on January 12, 2010. It is estimated that 316,000 people were killed in the Earthquake and leaving 1.6 million homeless, and thousands of homes, hospitals, and schools destroyed. Since then, Haiti and its people have been struggling to recover.



Who are we Working with?

Children's Nutrition Project. The CNP is a non-denominational, faith-based organization. Our mission is to improve the health and development of Haitian children, particularly those suffering from malnutrition, who can in turn raise Haiti from poverty.

The CNP works to achieve this mission, in partnership with our Haitian brothers and sisters by:

- Empowering mothers and other caregivers through community-based health and nutrition education using locally available resources and employing Haitian supervisors
- Providing direct health care, including referral to therapeutic rehabilitation for severely malnourished children, mobile medical clinics, and community treatment of pneumonia and rheumatic fever³
- Supporting health-related community development programs, such as increasing access to safe water to prevent diarrhea and other water borne illnesses

www.cnp Haiti.org for more information about Children's Nutrition Project Organization

What will be doing?

CNP works with a variety of different organizations and has many projects in process. We have the opportunity to work on several different projects such as:

- Water Treatment Program in which we will be building Bio Sand Filters to allow safe water for people to drink.
- Mountain Medical Rally Posts in which we will work in medical clinics monitoring of babies in a pre nadel clinic.
- Build Houses
- Build Latrines
- Outpatient Therapeutic Care
- Build a School- CNP is in process of acquiring a grant to build a new school after the earthquake flattened one of their schools. We may be the first ones to start the project in August!
- These are just to name a few!

Trip Logistics:

The trip will be from July 29th through August 5th. Due to flights flying out of Miami, we may have to add an extra day on each end due to the flight schedule. This means we will most likely

have a long overnight layover. Therefore we may actually leave on July 28th and arrive on the 29th in Haiti, as well as depart Haiti on 5th but not arrive to Kansas City until the 6th. Haiti is creole speaking country in which we will hire translators to help us navigate the city. We will be staying in a Hostel- not like the European Hostel system, it is described as a dorm in which we will be sharing rooms only with our group of travelers.

How Much Will It Cost?

The Approximate total of the trip is \$1150. Please note that we will be doing fundraisers to help lower the cost of the trip!

The Payment Schedule:

February 19th: Application and \$250 is due

April 1st: The Second Payment of \$250 is due

June 1st: The Third Payment of \$250 is due

July 15th: The Remaining Cost of the Trip is due. (Approx. 350) This last payment will be determined by the fundraising that we have done up until the trip. This number should be less than the approximated amount due to fundraising.

Why are we going?

Why are you going? This is something important to think about and a question on the application.

I'm going because I believe in the value of not only experiencing different cultures, but being able to give back to our hosts. I also believe that meaningful travel shrinks the world to a more understandable size; by being an active part of the community you are visiting, you are able to experience and better connect with a different way of living. It is important to go into any new experience with an open heart and mind, so there's room for plenty of expansion!

If you have any additional questions, I can be reached at 913.558.4203 or matthewhennek@me.com. Thank you and I look forward to working with everyone in the coming months!

Haiti International Mission Trip Application
July 29th - August 5th

Name as it appears on Passport: _____

Age as of Trip: _____

Birth Date: _____

E-Mail: _____

Cell Phone: ()

Home Phone: ()

Facebook: Yes or No

Address: _____

Do you have an up to date medical infor form filled out with the church?
yes or no (if no, please make sure to fill one out before we leave)

What volunteering experience do you have?

Why are you interested in going on this trip?

What do you expect to come away with from this trip?

Do you have any questions or concerns about the trip?

Fundraising ideas?

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By Signing this application, you are agreeing to fulfill the following requirements. Failure to do so might result in loss of your spot.

I agree to the following: (please initial)

have an updated passport_____

attend the necessary pre-trip meetings to the best of my ability_____

abide by the Grace Covenant Mission Trip Guidelines_____

Follow the direction of the trip leaders from both Grace Covenant and Children's Nutrition Project_____

Participate to the best of my ability in fundraising activities_____

Make all the necessary payments on time_____

Remain flexible, open minded and respectful to not only each other, but the people that we work with, group leaders, and the people we encounter while abroad_____

Applicant Signature:_____ Date:_____

Parent Signature:_____ Date:_____

(not required for adults)

**Please return the application with a \$250 non refundable deposit by Sunday,
February 19th!**

Thank You! We look forward in having you join us on this amazing experience!

Questions: Contact Matthew Hennek call/text/e-mail/Facebook

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