Missions for Humanity 2023 Tanzania Mission Trip

- MFH is requiring all participants to be fully vaccinated.
- If you are interested in coming on a mission trip and either do not have a passport or your passport is not valid for at least 6 months after we return, please apply for your passport ASAP, as it takes much longer now. Visas are necessary to enter Tanzania and can now be applied for online to avoid the two hour wait at the airport. You need your passport to apply for your Visa. Apply today!

Tanzania Mission trip

Dates: Thursday, July 6,2023 – Sunday, July 23, 2023

<u>Cost:</u> as of 9/27/22 the cost of the flight is \$1881.37 which includes three 50lbs bags free, choose your own seat at no additional charge, and an overnight in Dubai each direction. Price is subject to change until the flight is booked.

The flight on July 6th leaves Boston at 11:00pm and we arrive home on Sunday July 23rd at 2:15pm.

There is an overnight in Dubai going in each direction. On our way to Tanzania we arrive in Dubai about 7:30pm which is plenty early for you to go out and see Dubai (either on a tour or on your own). On our return we do not get into Dubai till 9:50pm so that doesn't really give you time for sightseeing.

Where we stay

We will be staying at the Mbagala Center in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, which we have stayed at many times before, and travel each day from the Center to the village we will be working at that day. The center is very simple, but clean and safe. You can stay in a single, double or triple depending on how many people are traveling with you. Each room has its own bathroom with a toilet, sink and shower. For the most part the rooms only have cold water although they do supply a bucket so you can get hot water from the sink at the end of each hall. There are a couple of rooms with hot water. We eat breakfast and dinner at the Mbagala Center. At lunch time we are out in the villages, so each person brings from home protein bars etc., whatever they want to eat for lunch. We will purchase cases of bottled water when we get there for each person so you will always have plenty of fresh water to drink.

Room & Board Costs-Single Room / Breakfasts & Dinners for 14 nights per person:

Single room \$492

Double Room \$422/person Triple Room \$392/person Quad Room \$366/person

Approximate Cost Breakdown

(Costs of flights are subject to change and not definite until booked. Room and Board may go up a tiny bit in January, but if so it will be very little)

Airfare (approximate) (as of 9/27/22)

\$1881.37

(See separate Flight Information sheet for flight details)

Room, Board, water, etc. 14 nights

Single room \$492

Double Room \$422/person
Triple Room \$392/person
Quad Room \$366/person

Donation for Caritas staff (per person)

\$ 40.00

Total Base Price (depending on room choice) \$2,287.37 - \$2,413.37

Optional Expenses

• **Safari** depends on what you chose and how many go.

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- **Travel Insurance** (purchase on your own cost depends on what you buy)
- Tours in Dubai

Not Included:

- Visa \$100 US dollars
- Drinks(other than water) at meals and other times
- Tips on safari (if you go on one)
- Tips at Mbagala Center
- Spending money for gifts

To give you an idea of what is due when moneywise.....

- Flight prices must be paid upfront....
- Safari will require a 50% deposit when booked & the balance in May......
- Room, Board, etc. expenses will be due in May)

To book your flight you will need the following information:

- Name as it appears on your passport (or as it will appear on your passport if you are renewing it or getting one for the first time.)
- Passport number
- Date of Birth
- Date issued
- Country Issued
- Date of Expiration (must be more than 6 months or you must renew)
- Seat Preference (window, aisle, middle, sitting with anyone particular)
- Phone number (cell and home)
- Address

Additional Information

Passport Required

<u>Visa:</u> Required – obtain online ahead of time

COVID Vaccination Card/Record - Required

Medical: Vaccinations

Mandatory - All up-to-date Covid vaccinations

Recommended:

- Hepatitis A
- Hepatitis B
- Malaria (specific for Tanzania) pills that you must start before you go
- Tetanus
- Typhoid (1 shot or pills that you must start a month or so before you go)
- Polio booster

Check with your insurance to see what is covered where.

- Miriam Hospital Travel Clinic Providence
- Travel clinic in the Cape
- Travel clinic outside of Boston

<u>Clothing</u> – Modest dress

- See recommended list of items to bring
- You may have clothes washed while you are there.
- Women (and usually men) do not wear shorts in public.
- Spray clothes????

Communication

- Internet sometimes available
- cell phones services check with your provider- usually available

<u>Currency</u> – Tanzanian Shillings 2,331.33 = \$1.00 (as of 11/12/23) (fluctuates a lot)

- Only New Style Money, American dollars are accepted in Tanzania. NO TEARS OR RIPS
- You receive a better rate of exchange if you exchange large (\$100's, 50's) bills.

Current - 220V

- You need either a 3 prong plug (UK size) Adaptor.
- You need a current converter if the items you will be charging don't state that they work on both currents.
- A 220 V power strip is great if you have a lot to plug in. I purchased one on-line at World Gift Center

Benefit Dinner Auction Fundraiser (Saturday, March 18th): This is the main fundraiser that Missions for Humanity has. The money raised through this fundraiser pays for in country transportation, doctor, dentist, nurse licenses, medications, supplies, Etc. etc. etc. see attached

We need each family going on a mission trip to support the fundraiser. Each family needs to sell at least 10 books of raffle tickets, donate one item for the live or silent auction or raffle and, if at all possible, come to the dinner with all your friends.

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If you have any questions, please feel free to email or call me.

Kathy