

Solar Light for Africa

Summer Mission 2023 Information Sheet

Introduction

For the 24th summer, *Solar Light for Africa* will be taking a select number of American Christian young people, and adults to Uganda for two weeks.

Dates

The dates for the trip will be July 7th - July 21st. The Uganda trip will leave from MCO airport in Orlando FL. There is a chance the dates will change by a day either way depending on available flights to Uganda. Please keep in mind that you are responsible for your transportation to and from Orlando. More details will be available about arrival and departure time from Orlando once the final flight arrangements are made.

Team Leadership

The team will be led by Rev. Eric and Charlene Turner, from Melbourne FL. Eric is an Episcopal Priest and Charlene is the Executive Director of SLA and has traveled with the team since SLA's first youth mission in 1999. Charlene is responsible for all logistical arrangements. Charlene has made 35+ trips, and she is very at home in Uganda, she will have traveled to Uganda earlier to make the trip arrangements. Eric joined Charlene on in 2000 and has led every youth mission since with her.

Application Process

The completed application includes:

- Completed Mission 2023 Application
- \$200.00 deposit

Financial Arrangements

All participants are expected to raise \$2,000 for Solar Light for Africa and purchase your airline ticket. Charlene will be happy to assist you in the process of purchasing your airline ticket. The money to SLA covers all ground transportation, meals, accommodations in Uganda and a portion will go toward the solar equipment we will install.

Additional expenses that will be the responsibility of the participant: Immunizations, anti-malaria medications, etc. (see below), transportation to and from Orlando, spending money for additional snacks, souvenirs, etc. your passport, and a Ugandan Visa, which will be purchased online before we depart. The plan at this point is to fly Emirates, which will give us a 14-hour layover in Dubai. We will plan on taking a short trip into the city to see a small bit of Dubai.

Do not purchase your airline ticket until you have confirmed with Charlene your spot on the trip. As soon as your airline ticket is purchased, please send the details to charlene@solarlightforafrica.org. The balance of the \$2,000 be paid to SLA by June 1st.

Medical Information

Please visit “Travelers’ Health” at www.cdc.gov and your personal physician for more information. All team participants are expected to get all required immunizations and other medical care including but not limited to anti-malaria medication, yellow fever, typhoid and hepatitis A and B. Everyone should bring a supply of a broad-spectrum antibiotic, such as cipro, prescribed by your physician. You are responsible for proper care and supplies for any other medical conditions you may have. If you have any condition that requires ongoing treatment or special care, it is essential that this be discussed with trip leaders prior to submitting your application. Remember that you will be traveling in remote areas of a developing country, so medical care and supplies may not be easy or even possible to maintain.

Contacts

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