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Haiti Trip

Team 1- July 4th-16th 2010

Team 2- July 14th-25th

Cost \$2200



Purpose of a short term trip

For the Lord

- Bring glory to God
- Worship Him
- Serve His Kingdom

For the people you encounter

- Share the gospel with many who have never heard
- Be an encouragement to the church.
- Be the hands and feet of Jesus as you meet practical needs.

For you

- Grow as a disciple of Christ
- Enlarge your view of God
- Receive ministry training that will impact your ministry here, as well as in the places you go.

The Mompremiers



JeanJean (JonJon said with a French accent) & Kristie, Tana (12 years old), and Kerri (8 years old)

The Mompremiers goal is to plant New Testament Churches that will develop and unleash Haitian leaders who will then plant and develop additional churches, ministries and leaders.

JeanJean has recently completed translating and contextualizing the New tribe Mission's Firm Foundation material from the West African French Version to Creole for the Haitian church.

“As National Haitian churches grow and mature we will seek to identify, develop and send out Haitian missionaries to the end of the earth.”

Process & Money

Application and Agreement are due with the deposit by March 21th. You can mail them in, drop them off at the office, or put them in an envelope marked “Attention Joanne Glen” and then place in the offering. If you have it a copy of your passport is needed too.

You will be informed by March 26th whether you have been accepted on to the team or not. Please do not contact team leaders as to whether you have been accepted or not, the email will come from Joanne.

Trip Cost

\$2100-\$2500 (depends on flights)
Deposit is 10% of total so \$220

Money is due in pieces:

May 1st you need to have \$1000 (including your deposit) in.

June 1st you need an additional \$800

June 19th ALL additional money is due for team 1

July 2nd ALL additional money is due for team 2

You will get weekly emails starting in April 9th saying where you are with your funding.

A week before you leave a list of all those that donate to you will be sent to you.

How to raise money? We will walk through this with you, once you are accepted on the team. All support letters **HAVE** to be sent by April 2nd.

We also have online giving, once you are accepted on the team, more information will be given on this.

If you have questions about finances contact Joanne

Meeting dates

Meetings with the team are an essential part of the trip and thus, all meetings **are required** as stated in your agreement. If you cannot make a meeting please indicate on your agreement form. In other words check your calendar prior to turning in your application to make sure you can make all the meetings. There are a total of 7 meetings your attendance is required at 5 of the meetings, any less and you WILL be removed from the team.

Both team trainings on:

5pm in the Gym at WestGate Church

- April 17th
- June 19th

Team1 Meeting and Trainings:

Meetings at Westgate Church are 5pm on Saturdays, and meetings at Lincoln Glen Church are 1:00 pm on Sundays. There will be an optional dinner with past team members April 22 at 6:00pm at the Campbell Sonoma Chicken Coop.

- April 11 at Lincoln Glen Church
- May 8 at Westgate Church
- May 23 at Lincoln Glen Church
- June 6 at Lincoln Glen Church
- June 26 at Westgate Church

Team 2 Meetings & training:

5pm on the following dates:

- March 27th
- May 1st
- May 15th
- June 5th
- June 24th (dinner at the Coop)
- July 10th (**MANDATORY**)

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Passport

The official booklet issued by the government, which informs foreign customs departments of your nationality.

Apply for your Passport NOW! Allow at least 2 months for the entire process to occur.

Your passport MUST be valid at least six (6) months past your intended departure date from the country you are visiting. You could be refused entry if your passport does not meet this requirement.

How to apply:

1. Complete the passport application. These are at most US post offices.
2. Obtain a certified copy of your birth certificate with the state or country seal on I, an American passport, or naturalization papers (NO copies will be accepted).

Note: You can obtain your certified birth certificate by calling or writing to the county health department where you were born. When writing write “request copy of birth certificate’ on the envelope to speed up the process.

What you need to apply

1. Two (2) identical passport photographs. You can get a passport photo taken at places such as Kinkos, Wolfe camera, etc. It is not a bad idea to carry an extra one or two with you while travelling.
2. Check or money order for the amount of a valid passport
3. Valid drivers license – of any state
4. Certified proof of your name change (required only when applicable)

The following web site gives official information about passports:

<http://travel.state.gov/passport>

If you need your passport immediately call: The San Francisco Passport agency. You can get them within 2 days, but will cost you more.

95 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94015

Hours: 9am-4pm, local time, M-F, excluding Federal holidays

Automated Appointment Number: 415-538-2700

Note: San Francisco Passport Agency serves customers who are travelling within 2 weeks (14 days), or who need foreign visas for travel.

Immunizations

All travelers should visit either their personal physician or a travel health clinic 4-8 weeks before departure.

Recommended if you are not up-to-date with routine shots such as, measles/mumps/rubella (MMR) vaccine, diphtheria/pertussis/tetanus (DPT) vaccine, poliovirus vaccine, etc.

Required: Malaria, Hepatitis A, Typhoid

Note: WestGate will not cover medical expenses (vaccinations/Medications, etc) as these are not included in the cost of the trip.

For shots, try your primary care physical first to see what shots they offer. If they don't offer all the shots, ask them to refer you to a travel clinic in their system which will accept your insurance. Get an appointment early, as some shots require a sequence of two or three shots over a course of a few months. If you are unable to get shots through your doctor you can go to the Santa Clara County travel clinic, but often they are short on certain shots and they don't usually accept insurance. See the following website for information about what the clinic offers:

www.scctravelclinic.org

I nsurance

WestGate Church will purchase short-term travel insurance for each mission trip we sponsor; this will either be done through a mission agency we partner with or through a travel insurance company. These policies are not intended to substitute for your health insurance, but offer supplements, like emergency evacuation. If you have a major health expense, it is expected that your normal health insurance will kick in to cover that.

Don't assume that just because you have health insurance that it will cover you while you travel abroad, it sometimes doesn't. It is important that you contact your health insurance company to see what they will cover while you are out of the country.

Here are some questions to ask:

1. Do they provide coverage while you are out of the county?
2. Do you pay the expenses up front and then your provider reimburses you?
3. Do they offer emergency evacuation and airlifts?

It is important to know the extent of your normal coverage, so that you can be sure that any necessary insurance is arranged for the trip.

The insurance WestGate will purchase will be purchased after the plane tickets have been. This insurance will cover trip cancellations, lost baggage, travel emergencies, and health insurance.



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Application

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Your Details

Trip Applying for:

Name _____
First Last Email Address

Phone _____ Height _____ Weight _____ Shirt Size _____
Home Cell

Address _____ Birth Date: ____/____/____
Street Address and Apt City State Zip

Passport Number: _____ Name as written on Passport: _____

Passport Expiration: ____/____/____ Shirt size (regular t-shirt): _____ Are you a vegetarian: _____

Emergency Contact Details

Name _____
First Last Email Address

Phone _____
Home Cell Relationship

Address _____
Street Address and Apt City State Zip

Medical Insurance (This information is used solely incase there is an emergency while travelling and in the a foreign country)

Medical Provider: _____ Policy number: _____

Contact Number: _____ International Coverage: YES or NO or Don't know

Allergies: _____

Anything medically that we should be aware of: _____

Current medications: _____

Reference (Someone close to you i.e. a teacher, an employer, a friend. Please do not use a family member.)

Name _____
First Last Email Address

Phone: _____ Relationship to you: _____ How long have you known them: _____

Pastoral Reference

Where do you attend church: _____ How long have you attended there: _____

Pastoral Reference: _____ Email or Phone number: _____

Criminal History

Have you ever been convicted of a crime: _____ Explain: _____

Have you ever been to Arrested: _____ Explain: _____

Have you ever been convicted of a DUI: _____ Explain: _____



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Questions

Please answer carefully, and give your answers thought.
If you need more space, please use a separate piece of paper.

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God & You (Please answer carefully, and give your answers thought. If you need more space, please use a separate piece of paper.)

If you attend WestGate are you six40: YES or NO

How long have you been a Christian: _____

How did you come to know the Lord: _____

Describe your currently relationship with Jesus: _____

Past Trips

Have you been on a mission trip before: YES or NO If yes where to _____

Date of trip: _____ Leader: _____

What activities were you involved with during your trip: _____

What type of evangelism (sharing your faith) experience have you had: (i.e one on one, shared with a group, prayer & visitation, door to door, etc..) _____

This Trip

Why do you want to participate in this trip: _____

What do you hope to see/do on this trip: _____



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(continue) This Trip

What apprehensions/concerns do you have regarding ministering in a cross-cultural context _____

What concerns do you have regarding this trip: _____

Gifts & Talents

Do you speak any languages other than English: YES or NO what language(s): _____

How fluent are you: Very Somewhat Limited Very Limited

Do you play any musical instruments: YES or NO which: _____

Do you have experience working with children: YES or NO

How: VBC Teacher Children Ministry Other: _____

Do you have medical experience: YES or NO

What: CPR/First AID Nurse Doctor Dentists Other: _____

Do you have construction experience: YES or NO

What areas: Plumbing Painting Framing Electrical Other: _____

With what church ministries/activities have you been involved with or currently involved with:

What do you think are your spiritual gifts?

Describe any special strengths or talents you have that are not listed above:



WestGate Church Mission Trip Agreement

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I agree to follow the policies and procedures outlined below:

1) A non-refundable deposit of 10% of my trip cost is due at date to be determined by team leader. The deposit check will be cashed once the application has been approved. This is required to demonstrate my commitment on the short-term mission's team. Once this deposit is received, an account in my name will be opened. Letters for financial support are not to be sent to supporters until I have been notified that I can proceed. If for any reason, I cannot go on the mission trip, the non-refundable deposit will be a donation to the mission team.

2) No airline ticket will be purchased unless there are sufficient funds in my account at the time of the purchase. (This also applies to payments toward mission agencies coordinating a trip.) Whatever shortfall there is in my account must be made up by me. At the team meeting, prior to purchasing tickets/payment, a check payable to WestGate Church for the shortfall must be written, and it will be held until one month before departure of the trip. If at one month before departure, I haven't raised enough support to cover the remaining balance of the airline ticket/payment, the check will be cashed. If sufficient support is raised to cover the cost, the check will be returned. If only partial support is raised, a check with a lesser amount may be written, and the first check will be returned. Otherwise the original check will be cashed and credited to my account. My team leader will inform me of the cut off dates.

3) All accounts will be settled at the last meeting or two week BEFORE trip departure - whichever comes first. Extra support from any fundraisers and/or from team members, who raise more than 100%, will be divided among the rest of the team. At that point, I am responsible to pay for any shortfall in my account, by giving a check directly to my team leader or to the church. This will be cashed prior to departure. Any additional support received for me after this final accounting is complete, will go to the WestGate short-term missions fund. There will be no refunds to me after I settle my account, except for authorized re-imbursments. **If I am unable to personally meet the financial obligation for the mission trip, I will not be allowed to go on the trip.** It is suggested, therefore, that an amount be held in my personal savings to prevent this situation.

4) If I anticipate financial hardship, should I fail to raise necessary support, I will approach my team leader when I turn in my application. Limited subsidies from the short-term missions fund may be available depending on my situation and whether funds are available. Pastors and Elders who participate on mission trips have the same responsibilities as other team members, in terms of paying deposits and participating in raising support through prayer letters for the team as a whole, unless otherwise agreed upon. If an individual drops out of the trip or raises more than 100%, the additional funds will be used to assist other team members and/or go towards future mission trips.

5) The trip costs generally include airfare, transportation, meals, lodging, travel insurance and ministry costs. All receipts must be submitted to the team leader for pre approved ministry costs. I understand that WestGate Church will not cover medical expenses (vaccinations/Medications, etc) as these are not included in the cost or paid out of trip money.

The following items are **not covered** by the donations I raise:

- Cost of preparing support letters (paper, envelopes, ink for printers, postage)
- Thank you notes and postage to send them.

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- Personal supplies like mosquito repellent, gifts for hosts, film and developing
- Passport Fees

6) Sending support letters is essential for me, and the mission team. These letters can include requests for financial and prayer support. I am expected to send out 30-50 support letters and to establish an intercessory prayer team of at least 10 people. I will place in my support letter the ‘must include paragraph’. I will also provide my team leader with a copy of my support letter.

7) I will be provided with response slips to send to potential supporters for giving and prayer commitments. For the convenience of supporters (and for a historically better response rate), I am encouraged to include a stamped, return envelope addressed to WestGate Church, Attn: Global Outreach 1735 Saratoga Ave, San Jose, CA 95129 with each support letter. I am responsible for postage on these return envelopes.

8) Each week I will receive my current support level. I agree not to personally contact the church regarding my support level. The names of people who donate will be listed on the last report (a week before departure), but the amounts will be kept confidential. A follow-up letter to my supporters after the trip, detailing what I learned, is also required.

9) **My attendance at all scheduled training sessions and team meetings is REQUIRED.** Unexcused absences may result in my removal from the team. I will also attend any training and team meetings following the return of our team from the short-term trip. I have seen the meeting dates and these are the dates I can not make the meetings _____ . **Initial here:** _____

By signing this contract, I am indicating agreement with these principles and will take responsibility to raise the necessary finances for this trip. I will not hold the team leaders, the sponsoring mission, missionaries, or WestGate Church responsible for any accident, injury, illness or other personal loss that might result from this trip. I will submit to trip leadership and will maintain a cooperative spirit in all activities. I will participate in trip preparation and evaluation sessions.

Print Name

Signature

Date

Go Beyond Trip

Please return application packet & deposit to:
WestGate Church Attention: Global Compassion
1735 Saratoga Ave San Jose, CA 95129 Fax: 408.252.6421 Office: 408.252.3700 ex.222

Office use: Complete application received: YES or NO Deposit received: YES or NO Date received: ___/___/___
This person was approved for _____ trip Dates: _____
This person was not approved for: _____ trip. Reason: _____