

2018 Malawi Mission Trip

Where: Lilongwe, Malawi

When: July 16-26 (Dates subject to change)

(The trip will be limited to the first 10 applications received)

What: Village evangelism and Manna House

Cost: TBD (Approximately \$4000)

Included in cost: airfare, meals while in Malawi, housing, ground transportation, interpreter honorarium, & travel insurance.

NOT included in cost: passport (\$140) (must apply for not later than 8 weeks out, May 14th deadline), yellow fever shot (\$150), malaria medication (\$150), meals while traveling to and from Malawi (\$75), extra money for the market, gifts, etc. (\$150-300).

Shots/Medication: A yellow fever shot is required to travel to Malawi (must get certificate no later than 10 days out; July 5th). We also require that you take a malaria preventative medication (This you must start taking 2 days before you travel). Other CDC shots are recommended but not required.

Required Pre-trip Meetings: These meetings will be on Wednesday evenings, at 7:30 p.m., at the church, Room 104.

1. **May 16**
2. **June 6**
3. **June 27**

Where will we be staying?

We will be staying in an apartment in Lilongwe. The apartment includes kitchen, bathroom, and laundry facilities. The apartment is in a compound surrounded by an eight foot brick fence with 24 hour security. Lilongwe is a friendly and safe city.

What will we eat?

We will be eating food we are familiar with and eat here in the U.S. We will be taking our own cook, buying our own food, and eating together. We will be taking a sack lunch with us each day to eat at lunch time. We will not be eating any native food (and it is advised that none be eaten).

What will we be doing?

We will be working with existing Malawian Baptist church pastors starting new churches in areas where no evangelical churches exist. Each team member will be paired with an

interpreter and each pair will do street and door to door (hut to hut) evangelism. You will invite each new convert to become a member of the new church that is beginning in that area. We may even have the opportunity of baptizing these converts before we leave. You may walk as much as 75 miles and share your faith with over 1000 people by the end of the trip.

Manna House

During our trip we will spend some time at the new Parkhills ministry called "Manna House". We will see, first hand, how these children are fed, how the ministry operates, and the difference it makes in the community. You will have a chance to love on the children of Manna House and maybe even teach them a song or game.

What about the cost?

You are responsible for the cost of your trip. Parkhills will provide a \$500 scholarship to any member who goes but you are responsible for the balance. The question is not, "*Can I afford it?*" The question you need to settle is, "*Does God want me to go?*" If God wants you to go, He will provide the resources.

Deadlines and Payment Schedule

- 1. February 11 - April 1 – Applications accepted with a \$1000 non-refundable deposit.**
April 1 is the deadline to submit your commitment form and non-refundable deposit.
- 2. May 16 – \$ ½ of balance due**
- 3. June 6 – \$ Remainder of balance due (final payment)**

Ways to raise the money:

You will receive a form letter that you can use to invite people to whom you are close to help you with your expenses. These can be mailed to family members and close personal family friends. Family members are always eager to help. This is the most effective way to raise outside support.

Note: We cannot host any other church wide fundraising events. Manna House, our children's ministry, student ministry, and other mission projects do fundraising during the year. We do not want to overload or bombard our church members. Parkhills is an extremely generous church that goes above and beyond in areas of need and you will see them help offset your cost if you will send personal notes to those who are close friends with you.