

Journey to Kenya
July 7-16, 2023
For Adults and Youth (completed 9th grade)

Trip Overview

The trip will be led by Robert Alexander and Al Sudduth. We will depart from Davidson on Friday, July 7, arrive in Kenya on July 8, and visit with our partners through Sunday, July 16. Our trip may then be extended by tourist activities in East Africa.

Once our team of travelers is established by the middle of February, we will have a series of 5-6 meetings over three months in which we will discuss our plans and learn about the country of Kenya, including the history of the partnership, the specific activities we will share with our partners, our objectives for the meetings we will have while we are there, and our obligation as representatives of our congregation to theirs.

We will be attending worship services at the Sigona Presbyterian Church on two Sundays – July 9 and July 16. On the 16th, we will probably be leading both worship services. On the evening of Saturday, July 15, we will split up the group and go to spend the night at the homes of some of our hosts, including for the evening meal. Our hosts will take us to the church in time for leading the first service on Sunday morning.

Our activities at Sigona will include much interaction with the children of the Sigona Presbyterian Academy (SPA). We will be gathering with the children on several occasions at the school, and likely will be taking them on an outing. We will visit with them in their classrooms and in their homes, and participate in activities that will be both educational and fun.

While we are there, our group will meet with the Board that guides the Academy to talk about their challenges and hopes for the future of the school. We will also meet with the development committee which is engaged in constructing new facilities for the school and the church. Our objectives in these meetings will be to learn from our partners about how DCPC and SPA working together can continue to strengthen the educational ministry of the academy.

Estimated travel costs, excluding post partnership visit tourist activities:

Airfare Charlotte to Nairobi - \$1600 round trip

Lodging and Meals -\$600

Incidental Expenses - \$200

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JULY 7 - 18, 2023

TEAM PARTICIPANT APPLICATION

NAME: _____
(PLEASE PRINT YOUR FULL NAME AS IT APPEARS ON YOUR PASSPORT.)

ADDRESS: _____

PO BOX: (if applicable) _____ EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: (home) _____ PHONE: (mobile) _____

YOUTH OR ADULT (circle one) If youth, grade you have just completed _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____

INTERNATIONAL LIVING AND TRAVEL EXPERIENCE: (when, where, how long)

MISSION TRIPS/TEAMS I HAVE BEEN PART OF: (when, where, how long)

PASSPORT NUMBER: _____ EXP. DATE: _____

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY CONTACT: (include name, phone, email) _____

DOES YOUR HEALTH INSURANCE COVER YOU ABROAD? _____

IF YES, PLEASE LIST INSURANCE COMPANY AND THEIR EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION: _____

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Travel to and from Kenya is long and tiring. The living conditions while adequate and safe can be Spartan. You must be in good physical and emotional health to travel and participate as a member of a team.

PHYSICAL CONDITIONS/ALLERGIES/HEALTH ISSUES: _____

MEDICATIONS YOU ARE CURRENTLY TAKING: _____

WHY DO YOU WANT TO BE PART OF THIS MISSION TEAM? (If you require more space please attach a sheet of paper.) _____

WHAT GIFTS WILL YOU BRING TO THE TEAM AND TO OUR KENYAN PARTNERS?

ARE YOU WILLING TO COMMIT TO BE ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN THIS PARTNERSHIP FOR THE NEXT THREE YEARS? _____

WHAT GIFTS CAN YOU BRING TO THIS RELATIONSHIP BUILDING PROCESS?

BY COMPLETING AND TURNING IN THIS APPLICATION, I AGREE TO PARTICIPATE IN ALL PRE-TRAVEL TEAM MEETINGS AND INFORMATION SESSIONS WHICH WILL BE HELD IN THE MONTHS LEADING UP TO THE TRIP. I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I AM PHYSICALLY AND EMOTIONALLY FIT TO HANDLE THIS EXPERIENCE. I COMMIT TO BEING A PART OF THE KENYAN PARTNERSHIP DEVELOPMENT AT DCPC FOR THE NEXT THREE YEARS. AND, I AM OPEN TO HOW GOD MAY TRANSFORM ME AND THIS CHURCH THROUGH THIS PROCESS.

SIGNED

DATE

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM WITH \$200 BY FEBRUARY 19, 2023