

Short-Term Trip FAQs

Why go on a short-term trip?

Jesus said, “Go into all the world.” So, we do. From the streets of Metro Detroit to the remote bush of Kenya. By serving “the least of these” we are serving Jesus himself. Young or old, all of us can make an impact on hurting people and be changed ourselves in the process.

What if I have never traveled before?

Relax. No travel experience needed. You will have an experienced leader who will prepare you at our pre-trip meetings. You will learn everything you need about travel documents, medications, packing, local culture and more.

People need help here. Why go there?

We do both! God loves our local community and the entire world. This is why Kensington impacts our neighbors living nearby and the orphans of Rajahmundry, India, the Pokot tribe of Kenya, the Palestinians in the West Bank, and many other areas. Locally and globally- we are the hands and feet of Jesus.

Who do we partner with and why?

We partner with indigenous churches and organizations that are already doing proven, high-impact work in their community- in the US and abroad. These hand-picked groups are caring for the spiritual and physical needs of local people in culturally sensitive ways.

What is required to participate?

A teachable heart. Our goal is to go as learners, not experts; as partners, not dictators; as encouragers, not critics.

Fundraising. We will help you develop ways to raise support from others or you can pay your own way.

Attendance at pre-trip meetings. These meetings will help prepare you for your trip and to get to know your team before landing in the field.

Flexibility. Plans change often on trips. Learning to adapt to each other and the people we serve alongside will only enrich your experience.

Do I have to be a Kensington attender and share the same spiritual beliefs?

No, if Kensington Church is not your home and you are not sure where you are on your spiritual journey, we welcome you. All we ask is that you participate in the steps required from a trip member.

How will this trip change my life?

When we step out of our comfort zone, God often speaks to us in new and exciting ways. Working alongside joyful people who live in very challenging circumstances can change the way you view yourself, others, and the world forever.