LIFE CHURCH

Life Church Men's Mission Trip – Tanzania 2027
Information Packet

Who can go?
This is an adult trip for men that are at least 18 years old by the start of the trip.

When is the trip happening?
May 19th - 27th, 2027

What will we be doing?
We will be working with a missionary we support through Greater in the Heart of Tanzania. Teams will spend their time in and around Arusha, serving in building projects, feeding programs, evangelism, and ministry in the local rural villages. Each team member will get to have an overnight safari as a part of this trip.

Geography:
Tanzania is the largest country in East Africa, consisting of high mountains, great lakes, and coastal planes.

Climate:
May marks the end of the rainy season in Tanzania, leading to lower temperatures of 70-80 degrees on average during the day.

Language:
Swahili is the official language of Tanzania. You will have a translator with your team at all times.

Vaccinations
According to the CDC there are NO vaccine requirements or negative tests to travel to Tanzania.

COST AND PAYMENTS

Trip Cost: $4,000

Flights cannot yet be confirmed with this trip, so this price is estimated, but not completely confirmed. We will do our best to make sure this cost is as accurate as possible.

What does this cost include?

- Airfare
- Ground transportation
- Food and clean water
- Lodging
- Foreign Medical Insurance
- A fun day in country (Safari)
- Visa (If Required)

Does NOT include:

- Passport fees
- Souvenirs and extra snacks purchased
- Airport Food and Beverage

Payment Schedule:

Application	- $100 Deposit
Jan 1st,2027	- $1,000 payment due
Feb 1st, 2027	- $1,000 payment due
March 1st, 2027	- $1,000 payment due
April 1st, 2027	- $900 payment due

Please note that these are firm deadlines, as our transportation and lodging arrangements are dependent on them.

FUNDRAISING SUGGESTIONS

There are several ways an individual may raise money for the trip. They are included, but not limited to:

- Send support letters to family and friends (See attached sample support letter). *Please do not send support letters to individuals of Life Church.*
- Sell items to friends and family such as bracelets (Threads of Hope), t-shirts (Fund the Nations), handmade items, or baked goods.
- Get a part-time job to raise money.

HOW CAN WE MAKE PAYMENTS?

- ONLINE: Use your giving link through Managed Missions to make online payments. The fundraising page has a sharable link you can share with others who would like to make a tax-deductable donation.
- CASH/CHECK: Make all checks out to "Life Church" and write Tanzania 2027–*Your Name* in the memo. Checks can be dropped in the offering box, brought to the resource center, or brought in to the offices during our office hours.

- CASH: Stick in a Life Church giving envelope or include a note designating whom the payment is for, which trip it is for, and who is paying. Cash can be dropped in the offering buckets, brought to the resource center, or brought in to the offices during our office hours.

Due to IRS regulations, all contributions submitted to Life Church are non-refundable. In the event that you can no longer go on the trip, that money will go towards the trip's general fund to cover other trip expenses or help another person who has not raised all of their funds. The same applies if more fundraised money comes in for a person than needed.

PASSPORTS

You will need to get a passport to go on this trip. If you already have one, check the expiration date to make sure it does not expire less than 6 months AFTER the trip. To apply for a passport, please visit www.travel.state.gov to get started. The website will walk you through everything you need. Or, you can visit your local post office for more information. Most passports take between 4-6 weeks to arrive from when you mail the application; so do not wait on this!

ADDITIONAL DETAILS:

Once a team is developed, the team leaders will host team meetings that will provide some bonding as a team and cover the following:

- Ministry preparation for the trip
- Cultural preparation for the trip
- Team bonding
- Additional details of the specific trip:
    - Flight information (as we get it)
    - Packing list
    - Other minor in-country logistics

CONTACT INFORMATION AND SAFETY

Safety is our number one priority on any trip, and any decision made will be with your safety in mind. The trip will be processed through Assemblies of God World Missions. We have taken several trips through them before, and would not continue to do so if we felt it was a risk of safety.

We will have access to Wifi at points throughout the trip if you need to contact your family. Be aware that all international Internet access can be spotty at times. The trip leader will have an international phone plan for emergencies, though you may choose to purchase one through your own cell phone provider.

Team Leaders:
Pastor Caleb Essick and Carson Pope