

SHOW MERCY MISSIONS TRIP



See your passions ignited as you reach out in
love in Uganda, Africa.

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<https://www.showmercy.org>

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MISSION STATEMENT



Our mission is to MOBILIZE, INSPIRE and EMPOWER individuals all over the world to live life on purpose while reaching out in love.

Show Mercy works on the ground providing direct assistance that helps children, families and communities in Uganda reach their full potential in life.

SHOW MERCY BACKGROUND

Our ministry is fueled by a passion for people. In 2003, when we (Mike and Lori Salley - Co-Founders) first went to Uganda, we experienced the LOVE of Jesus in an incredible way. We knew then, we had to extend this same opportunity to others. That's when Show Mercy was born.

Since then, thousands of people have rallied around this passion at SMI, and together we are making a life-changing difference - not only in Ugandan families but in people all around the world.

Over 25 different nations have been represented at our Uganda base of operations! Who knew God would draw people from around the world to meet and work together?

With one heartbeat, we reach out in love into the villages surrounding our almost 50-acre base. WE want you to know there is a place for you in this ministry.

Ways to Serve

Orphaned & Vulnerable Children Support
Village & Community Development
Medical & Dental Missions
Clean Water Wells

WHAT WILL WE BE DOING?

Depending on the type of trip you apply for, the majority of your time will revolve around participating in the many ministries and outreaches Show Mercy has already established. All trip participants will have the opportunity to not only focus on what they have a passion for but also join in with new and exciting ministry experiences.

Some of the Show Mercy outreaches include but are not limited to:

- Working in the village schools
- Weekly children's outreach – "Say No to Hunger"
- Weekly elderly outreach
- Show Mercy Clinic and Birth Center assistance & outreaches
- Construction projects
- Weekly Prison and Hospital Ministry
- Water well commissioning

Other ministry opportunities might include: handing out mosquito nets to prevent malaria, street evangelism, building or maintenance at Field of Dreams or hosting children's programs in the villages during school breaks.

We aim to foster an atmosphere where you are encouraged to experience more of the love of the Father in your own life. Hundreds of people leave with a passion to discover the unique purpose that God has for their lives.



COST & DETAILS

Cost & What's Included

Trip fee is \$1500. Your fee includes housing for up to 14 nights, transportation to and from the airport as well as for outreaches, three meals per day while at our Show Mercy, Field of Dreams base, clean drinking water, team t-shirt, outreaches and administrative fees.

What's not included?

What is typically not included in the cost of a trip with Show Mercy?

- Visa fees (\$50 for a tourist visa)
- Any vaccinations or medications (malaria preventative & Yellow Fever vaccine is required)
- Airfare
- Money for souvenirs and an occasional meal when we are away from the Show Mercy Field of Dreams base
- Safari (approximately \$400)

ADDITIONAL INFO



Will our team be hosting fundraisers?

YES! Fundraisers will be collaboratively organized by the team. All funds collected during these events will be split amongst the those team members who wish to participate.



Who is the team leader/team contact?

Tina Colwell
541-974-1526
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When is the last date we can sign up by?

We are leaving it up to participants to decide. You can sign up as late as you're able to get a flight and make those payments.



Dates of VCC Trip

February 7, 2026-February 23, 2026



How much does a flight cost?

A flight from PDX to Uganda is approximately \$1500.

VACCINE RECOMMENDATIONS

There is a list of vaccines that the CDC website recommends you have before traveling to Uganda. All visitors to Uganda are required to get a vaccination for Yellow Fever per the Ugandan government. Team members that come on short term trips are also required by Show Mercy to take a malaria preventative while in Uganda.

Visit, <https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/traveler/none/uganda>, for more info

**TEAM MEETINGS ARE
REQUIRED FOR MISSION
PARTICIPATION UNLESS
PREARRANGED WITH TEAM
LEADER**

SOME FAQ'S

1

Is there an age limit for participation on a Show Mercy trip?

Anyone can apply to join us in Uganda; however, anyone under the age of 18 will need to have a signed parental or guardian permission and liability release in order to be considered.

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Where can I purchase the required travel insurance?

There are many options out there to choose from. You can do a simple google search and find many different companies that provide good coverage at an affordable cost. Once you have applied and are approved as a team member, you will be set up with a Managed Missions page that will also provide options for travel insurance.

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Do you help with preparing for a trip?

Yes. After you apply and are accepted, we create a Managed Missions Account for you. (www.managedmissions.com) This helps to guide each step as you prepare to travel. You will have access to a mission manual that will provide you with detailed information with many answers to questions that can arise. It will also include a list of suggested items to pack. The Managed Missions site also has a free fundraising page. You can share about your trip with family and friends. It's a great tool to fundraise. It provides real-time updates.

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Does Show Mercy run an orphanage?

NO. The majority of the children we are serving live with a parent, guardian or in a foster home. We believe God's ultimate plan is for a child is to be in a close family - with their parents/relatives or foster parents where they feel safe and secure. It is a great way for them to understand the dynamic of family life and receive love and affection from caregivers. Our role is to partner with the caregivers to provide support through resources, emotional help and encouragement.

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What kind of accommodations do you provide?

Show Mercy has team housing on our 25-acre “Field of Dreams” compound. The houses are simple but clean and nice. We have two homes for team members that each consist of a large living room, 4 bedrooms (2 sets of bunk beds in each room along with a dresser). The bedrooms are self-contained with showers (including hot water), flush toilets, and sinks. There is electrical power available, but can be inconsistent. More detailed information will be available in your preparation packet that will be sent to you once you have applied and are accepted on the team. It is a very nice, peaceful, safe and comfortable base where you can spend time with the team or spend some alone time with God. The base was designed to provide teams a time of refreshment in between outreaches. We want you to be ready to serve those you encounter each day.

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What vaccinations are required to go on a trip with Show Mercy?

All visitors to Uganda are required to get a vaccination for Yellow Fever per the Ugandan government. Team members that come on short-term trips are also required by Show Mercy to take a malaria preventative while in Uganda. There are many other vaccinations that are available but not required. Please contact your health department for recommendations regarding vaccinations. Our Show Mercy Pharmacy in Uganda can provide you with malaria medications at a discounted price. Inquire for more details.

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Can I raise financial support or fundraise for a trip with Show Mercy?

Yes. We encourage team members to fundraise for their trip. This gives your friends and family an opportunity to give towards your trip as well as share about the mission and vision of Show Mercy. Fundraising is not required, however, as long as the payments are made on time and in full for a given trip.

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Can donations be refunded?

For a donation to be tax deductible, it must be given to a nonprofit organization, not an individual. If for some reason you are unable to travel on the trip, donations that have been received will not be returned to the donors or given to the team member but will be used at the discretion of Show Mercy. Any donations received in excess of the cost of the trip will also not be returned to the donors or given to the team member. If you are unable to travel on this trip, the funds can be held for up to 12 months. These funds can be applied towards another Show Mercy trip minus the \$100 application fee and any expenses that Show Mercy incurred due to your cancellation. If people give funds directly to you and don't receive a tax credit from Show Mercy and you decide not to travel, you are responsible for deciding how to use those funds.

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Is donating towards my trip tax deductible?

Yes. If the purpose of your trip is to serve and volunteer with Show Mercy, the costs of the trip are tax deductible. Show Mercy is a registered 501(c)3 organization. Please see your tax adviser for professional advice concerning the tax deductions of your trip.

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How can I donate towards a Show Mercy team member?

You can mail a check made out to Show Mercy International to: Show Mercy International, PO Box 1003, Port Gibson, MS 39150. Please include a note with the team member you are supporting. You can also donate online by using the team members assigned fundraising page link. Feel free to contact us to get the team members donation link. If you donate towards a team members trip and they do not travel to SMI, the donation is not refundable.

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Can I make a payment for my trip online?

Yes. Each team member will be assigned their own fundraising page. You can make a payment through the site or mail a check to our office in Mississippi. You can also call our office at 601-747-0388 and process payment via your credit card.