

Swaziland, Africa

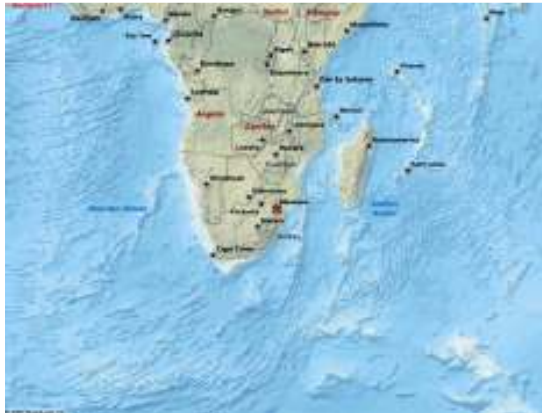
WHAT?

The Africa Mission trip is a 10-day trip for highschool students. Students must be approved to go on this trip. Students will team up with Elevate and the HPC Sports Ministry to minister to the people of Mbabane, Swaziland.

***Please note that 6 spots will be reserved for students. There will be 4 adults on this trip as supervision.**

WHERE?

Mbabane, Swaziland



WHEN?

July 20-July 30, 2008

WHY?

A mission trip can be one of the greatest experiences in a Christian's life. The mission of Healing Place Church is to be a healing place for a hurting world. One of our core values here at HPC is to reach—to reach out to a lost and dying world to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ, to reach out to people who are hurting or traditionally overlooked, to reach across the ocean to provide spiritual and physical help to those in need, and to reach the World by sending out fully committed disciples in order to fulfill the great commission of Matthew 28.

All year long in HPC Student Ministries, we teach the students that their mission is to stand up, stand out and to change the World. Participating in a mission trip will help expand your teen's perspective of God's will for his/her life, will help your student appreciate all that God has blessed them with, and will help build a passion for other people. Their life will never be the same!

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"Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations . . ."

TRAVEL ACCOMMODATIONS?

We will travel by air to Africa. The flight is approximately 24hours including layovers.

LODGING?

We will stay at a hotel in Africa where mission teams stay normally. The exact location is still being determined.

WHO WILL WE BE WORKING WITH?

We will work with missionaries to Africa, Ben and Susan Rogers, Go Global and Children's Cup.

WHAT WILL WE DO?

We will help run sports camp for the children of Swaziland, using sports as a tool to bring the gospel of Christ to them. Also, we will help and participate in a new Healing Place Church Campus launch right in the heart of Swaziland where hundreds of people will be able to gather in the future to learn about Christ and to worship God. There will be a healing place for a hurting world right where they live! Finally, students will get to help at the multiple care points located in Mbabane to help provide care, food and love to children and the people of Swaziland.

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COST?

\$3800 (non-refundable)

This cost includes: travel accommodations, lodging, adult supervision, all food, travel insurance

The cost does not include: spending money for the trip to and from Africa, passport fees.

WHO IS THE LEADERSHIP GOING ON THE TRIP?

The trip is being led by Pastors Jason and Jennifer Laird, Missions' Director, Dan Ohlerking, and Sports Ministry Pastor, Kerry Wilkerson.

WHAT ELSE DO I NEED IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE?

- **Notarized parental permission.**
If parents are divorced, you will need the signature and a copy of legal documentation showing that the parents who signed the form have full custody.
- **Signed liability release form**
- **Doctor's approval**
- **Current Immunizations**
- **Approved HPC missions application.**

PASSPORT INFORMATION?

A passport is an internationally recognized travel document that verifies the identity and nationality of the bearer. A valid U.S. passport is required to enter and leave most foreign countries. Only the U.S. Department of State has the authority to grant, issue or verify United States passports.

New Application for a U.S. Passport

To obtain a passport for the first time, you need to go in person to the Bluebonnet General Mail Facility on Bluebonnet Blvd, or any other qualifying post office with two photographs of yourself, proof of U.S. citizenship, and a valid form of photo identification such as a driver's license.

Normally Routine Service passports are received within 6 weeks. Currently, it is taking up to 10 weeks. You need to apply for your passport no later than **Monday, May 5th** to be safe.

Current Fees of Passports are as follows:

Under Age 16: The passport application fee is \$52. The execution fee is \$30. The total is **\$82**.

Age 16 and older: The passport application fee is \$67. The execution fee is \$30. The total is **\$97**.

How to Apply?

Please visit <http://travel.state.gov/passport> to get accurate and current information.

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APPLICATION PROCEDURES?

- Read this entire packet thoroughly.
- Pray about participating in Student Ministries Go Global Missions Trip 2008.
- Fill out the Pre-Application in this packet and turn it into Pastor Jason Laird by March 4th.
- Turn in your first \$25 deposit.
- Attend the Go Global Workshop.
- Go online to healingplacechurch.org keyword: Missions and fill out the HPC Application.

IMPORTANT DATES?

March 4th-\$25 non-refundable deposit and Pre-Application due.

March 8th-Go Global Mandatory Mission Workshop (10am-1pm at Highland Campus Sanctuary)

March 28th-HPC Application Due

April 4th-\$200 Non-Refundable Deposit Due

April 18th-\$1800 Non-Refundable Payment Due (Airline Tickets will be bought on this day)

May 5th-If you don't already have one, apply for a Passport by this date

May 27th-July 18th-Africa Missions Morning Prayer and Fasting Prep (5:30am-7:30am at Annex)

June 27th-Non-Refundable Balance of \$1800 Due.

July 13th-Prayer and recognition of Africa Missions Team at Highland Campus Service (12pm)

July 16th- Prayer and recognition of Africa Missions Team at Refuge Service (6:30pm)

CONTACT INFORMATION?

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or visit our website: pathfinders.healingplacechurch.org or refuge.healingplacechurch.org

FUNDRAISING INFORMATION?

Please, do not let the cost of this trip keep your student from participating. We believe that God will provide every penny for any student who truly has a desire to go. Please note, that no scholarships will be provided for mission trips. It will be up to each missionary to raise his/her own funds. We have provided you some great fundraising ideas below:

1) Envelope Fundraiser

Distribute 50 envelopes individually numbered 1 to 50 and ask that participant to fill the envelope with the amount of money written on the outside (1 to 50). Give them 2-5 weeks to fill up their envelope, and then keep up with who took what envelope to follow up with them later. If all 50 people give you the amount requested, it will add up to \$1,275.00. You might include a self-addressed, stamped envelope inside what you send them so that they can mail you a check back.

2) Egg Cracking

Go door to door of people that you know with several carton of eggs. Tell them that for every \$5 they give you, they can crack an egg on your head, or you will crack it on your own head. You could even invite friends to help you out!

3) Have a _____ a-thon

For example, have a bike-a-thon, pump iron-a-thon, skate-a-thon, walk-a-thon, prayer-a-thon, etc. Get sponsors to pledge a set donation for every mile you walk, skate, ride . . . you get the point. Set a goal and let the sponsor know beforehand so they have an idea of how much they will have to pay.

4) Dirt Buster Day

Clean people's homes, garages or yards for a set fee. You might break it down to \$20 per yard and \$25 per house.

5) Make and Sell

Make and sell things like Bible or book covers, woodwork, printed notepads, dolls, stuffed animals, jewelry, etc. Make a sample to show people and then take orders. Make them as soon as you get the orders, if at all possible, in case the customer is using it as a gift.

6) Doggy Dip

Offer to give people's pets a bath for a set fee. Advertise with signs and posters around your neighborhood. Set up several metal or plastic tubs where they are easily seen. Have the owners stand nearby in case their pets need to be calmed. Wash and dry the pets. Collect the money when you are finished.

7) Babysit

Offer one night (or several nights) for parents to let you watch their kids.

8) Garage Sale

Announce to your friends and family that you're doing a garage sale and ask them to donate items. You can also go around to local garage sales and ask them to donate what is left when their sale ends. Then put on your garage sale! Make sure to advertise to your church and community.

9) Save Your Allowance

If you receive an allowance, save every penny of it, and make some sacrifices this summer. For example, don't go to the movies as much, or don't buy as many snowballs!

AFRICA MISSIONS PRE-APPLICATION

General Information

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Cell Phone: (____) _____ Home Phone: (____) _____

Email Address: _____ Gender: Male Female

Birth Date: __/__/__ Names of Parents/Guardians: _____

Health

Do you have a physical handicap, disability, or disease that might affect your ability on this mission's trip yes no?

If so, please explain: _____

Do you have any chronic illnesses? yes no

If so, please explain: _____

Are you currently under medication prescribed by a doctor? yes no

If so, please explain: _____

Legal Information

Has anyone ever brought or threatened to bring a civil or criminal claim against you alleging physical or sexual abuse or sexual harassment? Yes No

Have you ever been charged, arrested or convicted of a felony or misdemeanor? Yes No

Have you ever terminated your employment or had your employment terminated, or has your employer ever reprimanded you for reasons relating to allegations of physical or sexual abuse or sexual harassment by you? Yes No

Have you ever been reprimanded as a student for harassment (sexual or otherwise) or other inappropriate behavior with another individual? Yes No

If you have answered yes to any of the above, please explain below.

Personal Information

List your church involvement and leadership experience: _____

What are some abilities and talents you feel you have? _____

How long have you been a Christian? _____

Please describe your salvation experience in four to five sentences.

On a scale of 1-10 (1 being the worst, 10 being the best), how would you rate the health of your devotional life (prayer, study of the Word, meditation, journaling, worship, evangelism, etc.)?

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

If you rated yourself at a 5 or below, please explain.

Have you ever been on a mission's trip before? yes no

If so, where and when? _____

Please explain why you want to attend this mission's trip.

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STUDENT MINISTRIES GO GLOBAL MISSION TRIP CHECKLIST

- _____ Fill out the Pre-Application in this packet, and turn in your \$25 by March 4th.
- _____ Wait to hear from Pastor Jason Laird about your acceptance into this mission's team.
- _____ If approved, attend the Go Global Workshop, March 8th.
- _____ Go online to healingplacechurch.org keyword: missions and fill out the HPC online application by March 28th.
- _____ Turn in your \$200 deposit by April 4th.
- _____ Apply for a Passport by May 5th
- _____ Sign & have notarized all liability forms.
- _____ Get a Doctor's Approval (written consent).
- _____ Get all of your current immunizations.
- _____ Pay the non-refundable payment of \$1800 by April 18th.
- _____ Pay the final non-refundable payment of \$1800 by June 27th.