Fox River Trip to Kenya July 21- Aug 3, 2024

Basic Itinerary: This is a tentative itinerary. Our schedule is always subject to change.

Sunday, July 21: Departure Day

Departure from Waukesha Campus Fly from O'hare

Monday, July 22: Travel

Arrive Mombasa Settle into Hotel Orientation Prep for week Essentials Shopping

Tuesday, July 23: Ministry in Vipingo

Crossroads Academy Vipingo – children's presentation Tour ministries in Vipingo, history & vision Serve lunch to children Lunch with staff Distribute gift bags Team building activities with staff Visit homes of sponsored student

Wednesday, July 24: Ministry in Bomani

Visit government school New Life Academy in Bomani – children's presentation Tour facilities & history of center Serve lunch to children Lunch with staff Distribute gift bags Team building activities with the staff Visit homes of sponsored students

Thursday, July 25: Community Service Projects

Morning – build a mud hut in Bomani Lunch at New Life Afternoon – prepare grade 7 helpers for Fun Days

Friday, July 26: High School visit

Presentation from students Tour high school Fun activities with high school students

Saturday, July 27: Community Outreach in Vipingo

Vipingo –all day soccer tournament and events Lunch-PB&J and snacks

Sunday, July 28: Services at Crossroads Fellowship, Community Outreach in Bomani

Church at Crossroads Fellowship in Mombasa Lunch at Voyager Afternoon outreach at New Life in Bomani

Monday, July 29: Fun Day with Vipingo School Kids

Activities with Crossroads Academy Students & Staff Serve at feeding center Lunch at center Visit homes of 7th grade helpers

Tuesday, July 30: Fun Day with Bomani School Kids

Activities with New Life Academy Students & Staff Serve lunch at feeding center Lunch at the center Visit homes of 7th grade helpers

Wednesday, July 31/Thursday, Aug 1: Safari

Safari and Shopping at wood carvers on the way home

Friday, Aug 2: Depart Mombasa

Packing and prepare for departure Lunch & Closing meeting at Nyanje's home

Saturday, Aug 3: Arrive Home

Arrive O'hare 8am

Finance:

- \$3,800 Cost of the trip
 - based on double occupancy at the hotel
 - Single occupancy is an additional \$450
 - All meals are included. Breakfast and dinner are eaten at the resort. We eat what the centers serve us when we are at the schools. Some prefer power bars or snacks. Meals are served on all flights.
- Additional required expenses
 - Passport that does not expire until February 2025
 - \$52 visa to enter Kenya
 - Travel insurance: begins at \$155
 - o Immunizations and preventatives: https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/traveler/none/kenya
- Spending money
 - Daily housekeeping tip and tips for servers at meal time. (\$.50 \$1). Other tips are included in the cost of the trip.
 - Drinks such as soda and water are included.
 - o Snacks, extra water or sodas for your room if desired
 - Souvenirs
- Payment Schedule
 - \$500 due at registration to hold your spot on the trip. This is non-refundable after March 1, 2024.
 - Ticketing in May
 - May 1: Copies of passports due
 - May 1: additional \$1662 due to cover the cost of the airline ticket
 - Once airline tickets are issued, cancelation of the trip and recovery of funds can only be obtained through travel insurance
 - July 1 balance of the trip is due and is nonrefundable except through personal travel insurance
- Charitable Donations
 - If paying for the trip yourself all but \$300 is considered a charitable contribution since you are acting as an agent of Fox River Christian Church during this trip.
 - Donations by others are charitable contributions. Receipts for giving are mailed in January. Money lost through cancelation after non-refundable dates includes donations by others.
- Fundraisers raising the money for the trip is the responsibility of each trip member. We can offer ideas for personal fundraising.
 - Personal support letters
 - Personal fundraisers like a personal savings plan, garage sale, etc.

Team Meetings

- We will meet once a month for about 2 hours from February to June
- Meeting dates and time are to be determined
- July 13 we will meet as a team to pack our supply suitcases.

Lodging

- Voyager Beach Resort Mombasa
- This is a gated, guarded hotel
- Safety is our greatest concern in choosing where we stay

Safety and Security: While we cannot guarantee safety in any situation anywhere in the world, safety is a great concern to Fox River leadership and our partners in Kenya. We keep up to date with information from the US government as well as the Kenyan government and contacts we have on the ground in Kenya. This vigilance is maintained all year around and heightened in the months before a trip and while we are there. We take your safety very seriously!

We are careful about where we go and when we go there. We have and will change our plans if there is any concern at all about our safety. The travel insurance we recommend covers cancellation or interruption because of terrorism.

FAQs

How do I sign up? Registration will open January 1, 2024. Deposit of \$500 will be required at that time to hold your spot. Use the contact form on the bottom of the trips page on our missions website (<u>http://foxrivermissions.org/trips</u>) or contact Bev Roberts with the following:

- Name
- Contact information: address, email, phone
 - \$500 deposit Make payment through Managed Missions portal
- <u>broberts@foxriverchristian.org</u> or 262.544.6000

Can I bring a child with me? Yes, we do allow minors on adult trips as long as they travel with a parent and are suited for the rigors of the trip. Please use the contact information above to set up an interview.

Can we give toward the trip through E-giving? We have a special fund-raising site set up for payments and donations. Registration is made through the Managed Missions site which is the pathway for giving and communication for the team.

Can I do personal fundraisers? Absolutely. We have had individuals raise money through a variety of personal fundraisers. Just be aware that we cannot promote personal fundraisers at church.