



## **Kenya - Turkana Region - VBS - July 2024**

### **July 18 – 30, 2024**

#### **TRIP INFO:**

Who should consider going on this trip? YOU! This trip is open to anyone who loves kids and wants to build relationships with our partners in Kenya.

We'll fly into Nairobi and spend time in orientation with our friends at Missions of Hope International (MOHI) before flying north to Turkana. In the rural region of Turkana, we'll host a VBS experience for the students at Napuu School and Locheredome School. Time may also be spent serving in the community alongside MOHI staff. This awesome trip will finish with a beautiful safari experience.

This trip is open to anyone who is 16 or older at the time of the trip (minors must be accompanied by a parent).

Trip Dates: July 18 – July 30, 2024

Trip Cost: \$3,750

\*The cost of this Global Trip is subject to change due to flight and fuel costs.

\*Additional cost for country visa (approximately \$50).

\*All adults going on a Parkview Global Mission Trip will be asked to complete a background check.

\*All trip deposits are non-refundable. Once airline tickets are purchased for the team, all trip costs are non-refundable.

Pre-Trip Team Meeting Dates: 4/10/24 & 5/8/24 at 6:30-8:00pm at Orland Campus. Additional meeting times will be planned with your team.

Registration deadline: April 5, 2024

Team Capacity: 12

#### **OUR STORY**

Parkview and Missions of Hope International (MOHI) have been partners for many, many years. Parkview LOVES the people of Kenya and especially the children at the MOHI schools. Our church celebrates the chance to sponsor hundreds of students there, and we have hundreds of Parkview members who have traveled to Nairobi to live life on mission by serving at MOHI schools.

Most of the Parkview sponsorships are either at Pangani School in the capital city of Nairobi; at Joska in a rural area outside of Nairobi; at Napuu School or Locheredome School in the northern and very rural part of Kenya. Parkview has also worked with MOHI and Nairobi Chapel to plant a church in the Turkana Region.



## **WHAT TO EXPECT**

Before we ever step foot on the plane, we will spend time together preparing a VBS experience for MOHI students. When we land in Nairobi, we'll go through an orientation with the MOHI staff. There, we will learn more about MOHI's history and current work; the communities of MOHI schools; and the Kenyan culture. From there, we will fly about 45 minutes north to the Lodwar Airport in the Turkana Region.

Each morning, we'll work in Turkana with our friends at the MOHI schools to present VBS sessions for students. In the afternoon, time may be spent serving in the community alongside MOHI staff. This awesome trip will finish with a safari experience that will help you fall even more in love with the beautiful country of Kenya!

Whether it's your 5th trip (Yes, we have people that go every year!) or your first trip, you will have the opportunity to connect and grow in your own spiritual development and cultural understanding while you serve the MOHI students and community.

## **TEAM MEETINGS**

We will have 3-5 team meetings in preparation for our trip. Information will include both practical trip support as well as targeted planning and training. Dates will be shared as far in advance as possible, and attendance is crucial to the overall success of the team.

## **COST**

The total cost of this trip is \$3,750, which can increase depending on airline or fuel costs.

This includes airfare, all transportation costs while in-country, baggage fees, lodging, meals, travel insurance, fun-day costs, and most incidentals.

This does not include passport fees, visa fees, travel to or from O'Hare, vaccinations, Covid testing, souvenirs, or any personal spending money for snacks/meals during airport travel.

We encourage everyone to prayerfully approach trip fees by inviting family and friends to join you in this mission. The site we use to manage trips will allow you, at no cost, to launch your own trip page. Once you have been accepted onto a team, we will provide information and ideas for funding your trip. Final trip registration requires a non-refundable deposit of 10% of the cost of the trip, which will be used to place deposits on airline tickets.

## **TRAVEL DATES**

The Team is scheduled to depart from Chicago O'Hare on Thursday, July 18 and arrive back at O'Hare on Tuesday, July 30, 2024.



### **WHO CAN BE A PART OF THIS GLOBAL TEAM?**

This trip is open to anyone who is a high school student going into 10th grade through graduating senior.

### **WHAT ARE THE TRIP REQUIREMENTS?**

- Complete the Global 101 Class at Parkview
- Complete a Parkview volunteer background check and other trip paperwork
- Have a passport that is valid 6 months after the return date of the trip
- Attend all pre-trip team meetings

### **WHAT IS MY NEXT STEP**

To apply to be a member of this Global Team, go to: [www.parkviewchurch.com/globaltrips](http://www.parkviewchurch.com/globaltrips) and select this trip. This takes you to the registration page where you can click the REGISTER button, fill out the form, and pay the deposit. We will reach out to you soon after we receive all of your information.

We would love to have you be a part of what God is doing through our Missions of Hope partnership in Kenya. This will be a life-changing experience, and we know that God will do as much work in you, as you will do for others!

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS APRIL 5, 2024.

If you have any questions, please email Christy Mullin ([christymullin@parkviewchurch.com](mailto:christymullin@parkviewchurch.com)) or Rachel Carroll ([rachelcarroll@parkviewchurch.com](mailto:rachelcarroll@parkviewchurch.com)).