

# BRIGHT HOPE SCHOOL PROJECT

# INFORMATION PACKET

## JOURNEY CHURCH : MAY 2011



## TRIP REQUIREMENTS

The following are required and must be obtained prior to travelling to Addis Ababa:

### PASSPORTS

- First-time passport must be applied for in person. Fee \$135.00. Passport office at the USPS office in Bozeman [2201 Baxter Lane] and Belgrade [96 N. Weaver Street]
- Renewal passport can be applied for by mail. Fee \$75.00.
- If your name has legally changed since your passport, you must renew.
- It will take **approximately 4 weeks** to have your passport processed.
- Passport photos (for 2) can be obtained at:  
Costco - \$4.99  
FedEx/Kinkos - \$12.49 (1013 West College Street)
- Please check the expiration date on your passport. It is recommended to make sure your passport is valid **6 months after** your return to the United States. If not, please renew.

### BUSINESS VISA

- You must have passport prior to applying for the business visa.
- It takes about **one month** to process the visa.
- Fee \$70.00 – must be paid by money order when submitting visa application.
- Two passport photos are needed.
- A self-addressed, stamped envelope must be included with application & passport.
- For further info or questions, go to:  
<http://www.ethiopianembassy.org/services/visa.shtml>

### IMMUNIZATIONS

- Required immunizations:
  - Hepatitis A
  - Hepatitis B
  - Tetanus
  - Yellow Fever
- Strongly Recommended immunizations:
  - Typhoid
- Recommended immunizations:
  - Polio
  - Meningitis
  - Malaria Prophylaxis (Doxycycline or Malarone)
- Note – the Hepatitis A & B vaccination takes 6 months to complete.

Please see handout from the Gallatin County Health Department for more information on each immunization and their costs.

### BRIGHT HOPE SCHOOL

- 2,145 students
- Grades 1 - 8
- 27:1 - students per teacher
- 300-400 estimated orphans
- 110 orphans Grades 1 - 4

### PROJECT SUMMARY

Journey Church has partnered with Children's Hope International (CHI) to help the orphans and children at Bright Hope School in Addis Ababa by assisting in the fund raising efforts for the following projects:

Well	\$20,000
Chicken Houses	
—Hatching	\$6,000
—Laying	\$6,000
—Rooster	\$6,000
Farm/Garden	\$28,000
Protective Wall	\$100,000

God's work has already been at hand! The well, all three chicken houses and the garden have already been funded by Journey, Harvest, and outside donors.

The next priority for Journey Church and Harvest Church will be to raise the remaining \$20,000 for the wall. Without the wall in place, looters will help themselves to the chickens and the agriculture.

Once these projects are completed, Bright Hope School will be able to feed the children, teach them life skills and possibly sell the excess produce for income.

## TRAVEL INFORMATION

### AIRFARE

Airfare will be coordinated and purchased by Journey using a travel agent, so the whole team flies together. The entire cost of the airfare will be due by April 1. Payments can either be made through Journey Church or directly to the travel agent with your credit card. Expect this cost to be somewhere in the neighborhood of \$2000.

### ACCOMMODATIONS | MEALS

All of your accommodations and meals will be taken care of in Ethiopia. We budget about \$125 for meals (total for the trip). We will eat most of our meals "out", but there is a restaurant as part of our accommodations. Accommodations are clean and simple. Part of this fee also includes transportation and a translator.

## TRIP SCHEDULE

The dates of the trip are not yet exact, but we do know it will be near May 9th - 23rd. We will book the best fare possible, so we keep dates flexible. It will take two days to travel to and from Addis Ababa. We will be planning the next trip for December 2011.

### POTENTIAL 14 DAY SCHEDULE:

4 DAYS : Travel to/from Addis Ababa                      7 DAYS: Work Days  
 3 DAYS: Sight Seeing/Adjusting/Errands/Church

## TRIP COSTS & FEES

### INDIVIDUAL TRIP REQUIREMENT COSTS

The fees listed below are the (potential) out-of-pocket expense(s) each individual might spend prior to traveling to Ethiopia.

ITEMS	ESTIMATED COSTS
Passport	\$75 - \$100
Visa	\$70
Immunizations *	
Hepatitis A (2 doses)	\$90
Hepatitis B (3 doses)	\$150
Twinrix (Hep A & B combined)	\$210
Typhoid	\$55 - \$60
Yellow Fever	\$95
Polio (IPV)	\$45
Tetanus	\$45 - \$55
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$520 - \$665</b>

\* The immunization costs are based off Gallatin County adult immunization fees. Costs may vary depending on what immunizations you already have, which clinic you go to, as well as what your health insurance may cover.

### ETHIOPIA HOPE TRIP COSTS

The fee below includes the airfare, accommodations, meals, in-country transportation, a translator, cultural experiences and a percentage of the cost goes to pay for the leader's travel expenses. The estimated cost is quoted for a 14 day trip. **Please note, the trip costs below do not include meals during travel to and from Ethiopia and for miscellaneous purchases made in Addis Ababa.**

The estimated cost of this trip is \$2,500 - \$3,000.



## ETHIOPIA TRIP TIMELINE MEETINGS, DEADLINES, ETC.

4 Months Out	Info Meeting
3.5 Months Out	Applications due
3.5 Months Out	Team members selected/contacted
3.5 Months Out	1st deposit due (\$300)
3 Months Out	1st Mandatory team meeting (1st week of February - details TBA)
April 1	Balance for Airline tickets due (\$1500 - \$1900)
2.5 Months Out	Mandatory team meeting (details TBA)
2 Months Out	Mandatory team meeting (details TBA)
1 Months Out	2nd half of remaining balance due (\$700 - \$1000)
1 Months Out	Mandatory team meeting (details TBA)
2 Weeks Out	Mandatory team meeting (details TBA)
May 9 - 23!	Go to Ethiopia! Exact dates TBA
2 Weeks After	Debrief Meetings/BBQ

## ETHIOPIA FACTS & TIPS INFORMATION FOR TRAVELERS TO ETHIOPIA

- ↘ Temperature: between 50° – 77° F
- ↘ Approx. 9 hours of sun per day
- ↘ Primary rainy season: June - September
- ↘ Currency is the Ethiopian Birr  
- 1 US Dollar = 16.5 Birr
- ↘ Must have cash.
- ↘ 9 or 10 hours ahead of MST (depends on Daylight Savings)
- ↘ Addis Ababa is located at 8,000 feet above sea level. High altitude can cause health problems even for healthy individuals in a number of ways, including: dizziness, nausea, shortness of breath, blurry vision, leg cramps, fatigue and headaches.
- ↘ You should not travel to Ethiopia if you have serious or chronic pulmonary or cardiac conditions. This includes individuals suffering from bronchial asthma, angina pectoris, previous myocardial infarction, emphysema, congestive heart failure or sleep apnea. Those with sickle cell trait are encouraged not to come.
- ↘ Pick-pocketing and other petty crimes are prevalent in urban areas. There are occasional reports of thieves snatching jewelry. Visitors should exercise normal caution and not carry large sums of money or wear excessive jewelry on their persons. Visitors should carry wallets and other valuables where they will not be susceptible to pickpockets.
- ↘ Ethiopians are very sensitive about photography. It is strictly prohibited to photograph military installations, police or military personnel, industrial facilities, government buildings, and infrastructure facilities (roads, bridges, ports, airfields, etc.). Confiscation of film or camera or even arrest may result. This is 100% serious.
- ↘ Coffee is believed to have been discovered in Ethiopia.
- ↘ National Language is Amharic.

For additional information and facts on Ethiopia please visit these helpful websites:

- [goafrica.about.com/od/ethiopia/a/ethiopatips.htm](http://goafrica.about.com/od/ethiopia/a/ethiopatips.htm)
- [www.lonelyplanet.com/ethiopia](http://www.lonelyplanet.com/ethiopia)
- [ethiopia.usembassy.gov/information\\_for\\_travelers.html](http://ethiopia.usembassy.gov/information_for_travelers.html)

