



Highlights from Interest Meeting 10/2/2022 Burke Community Church Short-Term Mission Ministry

- **Our South African Partner**
 - “25:40” is Our Partnering Organization in the village of Canzibe, Eastern Cape Province, South Africa. See website www.2540.org
 - 25:40 provides support to at-risk children in South Africa’s Eastern Cape Province through pre-schools, after-school care and youth leadership development programs.

- **Short-Term Mission Trip, South Africa, Summer 2023**
 - **June 16-26, 2023**
 - 10 total days (7 mission days, 3 travel days)
 - Trip Focuses: Building Relationships & Sharing the Gospel through soccer skills development workshops, other skills development programs, and community outreach
 - Ministering to young adults, 25:40 local team members and local children
 - Some soccer experience is preferred but not necessary
 - Typical Day on this trip:
 - Early morning Quiet Times, Prayer, Breakfast
 - A.M. Soccer Clinic / Skills Programs
 - Lunch
 - 1-3PM Home Visits
 - 3PM until Sunset... Soccer Programming
 - Dinner, Fellowship
 - Other activities may include Chess, Crafts, Music and Worship, or other activities based on the skill sets of the BCC team.

- **Things to Consider**

- Team members will be immersed in another culture, and given the opportunity for in-depth interaction with people from a different culture. Cross-cultural training will be an important part of preparation.
- Accommodations will be primitive, but there is electricity, clean water, and other basic necessities.
- Team members will encounter people living in very challenging circumstances and extreme poverty by U.S. standards, and should be prepared for some degree of culture shock.
- Physical fatigue (time zones, lots of walking, playing soccer)
- Food Sensitivities (may not be able to be accommodated)
- COVID vaccinations are required for this trip. Other vaccinations are recommended.
- Current Passport Required

- **Application/Selection Process**

- **Applications will be open until October 31, 2021.**
- Team members will be selected by the BCC Missions Committee based on Best Fit, then First Come First Serve basis. Upon acceptance of a place on the team, a \$300 deposit will be due. Deposit is refundable until March 2023

- **Fees and Fundraising**

- The total cost of the trip per team member is estimated to be between \$3,500 and \$4,000
- BCC Missions Ministry may contribute up to 25% of the cost for each team member. The final amount is TBD.
- Each team member is responsible for their raising their own funds
- 50% of the trip cost is due March 2023
- Final Payment due May 2023

- **Training**

- Mandatory Monthly Meetings
- Required Reading: **Cross-Cultural Connections**, by Duane Elmer (copies will be provided)
- Zoom meetings available for students who are out of town
- Weekly meetings as departure date gets close
- Fundraising Tips
- Travel Tips
- Packing Guidance

