

2020 WPC Mission Trip to Rwanda

The purpose of our trip is to further our partnerships with Love With Actions (LWA) and Shalom. This includes learning more about the respective ministries, seeing the work that is being done, serving with our partners, praying with our partners, and participating in ministry as suggested by our partners. In so doing, we will deepen our relationships with God, our neighbors, and each other.

Trip leader: Rev. John Seiders

Date: 2 weeks in late August or early September 2020

Team: 6-8 persons including Pastor John

Accommodations: Local guest houses (simple accommodations, double occupancy, with indoor plumbing & electricity)

Estimated cost: \$3000 per person

Service Projects: These will depend upon the needs expressed by LWA and Shalom as well as the particular skills of our team members. Some examples are given below.

LWA

- Finishing a home (painting, installing windows & doors, etc.) for one of the homeless families served by LWA.
- Visits with families served by LWA.
- Visiting children in the hospital. Children are away from their families for extended periods of time for surgeries and rehabilitation to correct their disabilities. Visitors are a bright spot for them!
- One-day Bible camp with kids and moms (playing, coloring, crafts, singing, praying, etc.)
- Assisting Pastor John in training community pastors about the role of the church to children with disabilities.

Shalom

- Visiting reconciliation groups---school groups, sports teams, and women's self-help groups
- Assisting communities in construction of latrines
- Assisting communities in construction of kitchen gardens
- Trainings in hygiene and tippy tap building
- Helping women build their capabilities to be agents of change using exemplary women of the Bible as examples (Deborah, Esther, Ruth, etc.)
- Assisting Pastor John in training community pastors about the role of the church to children with disabilities.

Compassion Child Sponsors: Team members who sponsor children in Rwanda will have the opportunity to meet their sponsored children. (There is an additional charge to cover these special arrangements.)

Participation Deadline: February 2, 2020

