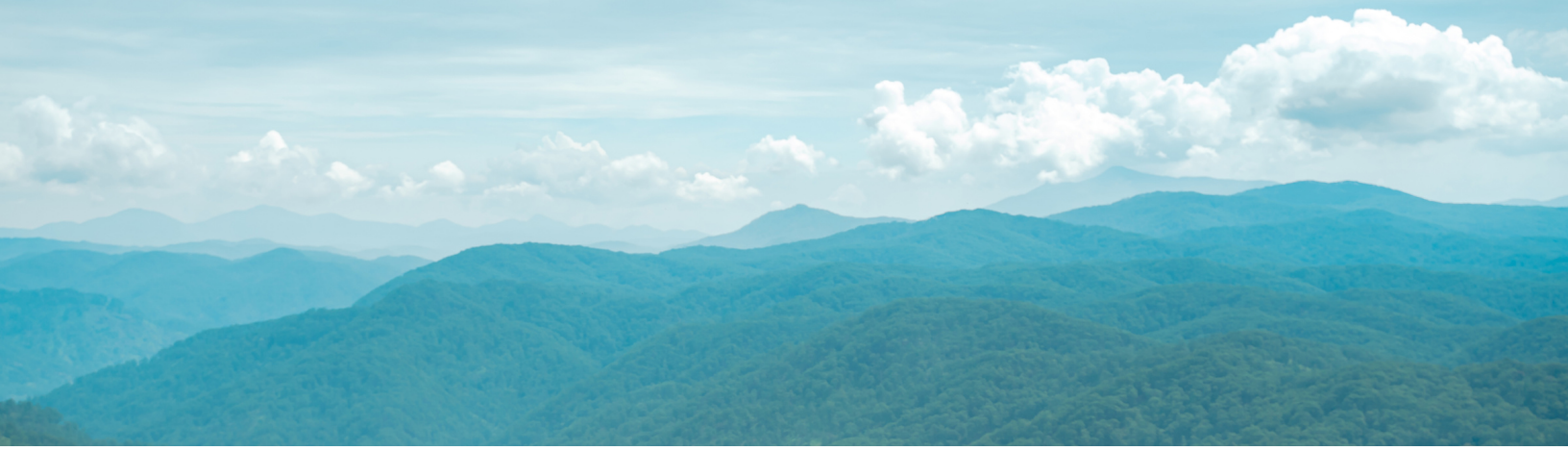




BILTMORE MISSIONS

KENYA 2027 | March 11-20





A NOTE FROM PASTOR BRUCE

For “everyone who calls on the Lord will be saved.” How then will they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in Him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!”

Romans 10:13-15

Thank you for considering a short-term mission trip with Biltmore Church! This is more than an opportunity to visit a new place. It’s an opportunity to participate in something much bigger than yourself. From the very beginning to the last few pages of Scripture, and throughout human history, God accomplishes His mission by sending people who do know Him to people who don’t know Him.

The reality is, in our community and around the world, there are people who don’t know, and have no access to the good news of the gospel of Jesus Christ. This is why Biltmore Church embraces the mission. We exist to glorify God by making disciples of Jesus who reach up, reach in, and reach out. We have been saved out of our sin, into a family, and onto a mission. We go, not because God needs our help, but because He delights in inviting His children into his mission to reach the world with the gospel.

God is at work around the world and we want to send the people of Biltmore Church out to be a part of what He is doing. We take mission trips each year to encourage our partners, engage in the work they’re doing, and disciple our people to have a heart for the nations. I’m praying that God uses this trip to stir your heart up for His mission here in Western North Carolina and around the world.

Pastor Bruce

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MERCY NAIROBI TRIP OVERVIEW

Trip Dates: March 11th, 2027 - March 20th, 2027

Type: Short-term, International

Cost: \$2700

Who can Go: College Students, Young Adults, Adults

Vision:

Join us as we serve in Kenya alongside our church partner, Mercy Nairobi, and partner with them in their desire and mission to see a Gospel awakening in Nairobi that is carried to the ends of the earth. On this trip, we will have a strong focus on evangelism, ministering through various activities in women and children's homes, sharing discipleship lessons in elementary and high schools, and outreach on college campuses.

We believe that one day people from every tribe, tongue, and nation will worship God around His throne. It is estimated that the capital city of Nairobi has a population of around 5 million people, making it the most populated city in Kenya. Nairobi means, "cool water." We pray that as we share, people will have open ears to hearing about the living water found in Jesus.

- **Religious Landscape:** Christianity is the claimed religion of Kenya, however there is a very heavy influence from the prosperity gospel and other false gospel influences that do not represent the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus in a true, Biblical way.
- **Cultural expectations:** Kenyan culture is welcoming and deeply hospitable, often going out of their way to honor guests. People are intentional with their time in conversation and relationships are prioritized over being rushed. We encourage you to learn from the culture with humility, and to avoid language that could come across as dismissive or judgmental, including describing cultural differences in a negative way.
- **Evangelism method/strategy:** Three Circles and Personal Testimony
- **Sample schedule:** A typical day will include breakfast and a team devotion, followed by morning ministry activities. After lunch, the team will focus on outreach, with evenings spent in debrief, dinner, and time to connect as a team. On occasional evenings, the team will join Mercy Nairobi in small groups or their college night.
- **Accommodations:** Teams will stay in dorm-style housing provided by Mercy Nairobi.

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OVERVIEW CONTINUED

What's Expected:

As a team member joining our partners in Kenya, you will play a key role in sharing the Gospel and providing a defense against the prosperity gospel. You will have the opportunity of joining in one-on-one relational ministry, while engaging with people of all ages.

- **Evangelism** - A heavy part of this trip is evangelizing to men, women, and children. Be prepared to share the Gospel in contexts such as schools, in children's ministry, churches, and as you are exploring the city.
- **Maintain flexibility** - Scheduled activities are subject to change due to various factors so maintaining a spirit of flexibility allows you to be open to any changes God may have for your team.
- **Care** - Serving on a short-term mission trip is a great way to serve and care for our long-term missionaries. Offering to cook a meal, watching their children so they can go out, cleaning, game nights, etc., are all great ways to care for our missionaries on the field.
- **Show Up** - Be present for all pre-trip and post-trip meetings as well as all in-country activities. We want you to make the most of your time as you engage the nations with the hope of the gospel.

Responsibilities

- Carry yourself at all times as a disciple of Jesus Christ.
- Engage with people from other cultural and socioeconomic backgrounds.
- Comfortability initiating and facilitating spiritual conversations.
- Commitment to hearing from God through his Word on your decision to go on this trip.
- Must complete kids ministry training.
- Must complete a background check.

Medications + Vaccines

- Required: Yellow Fever vaccine (Not included in your fundraising costs)
- Optional: Malaria Prophylaxis (Please Note: There are no known cases of Malaria in Nairobi and our field partners have shared that this is not necessary for their area.)
- Refer to the [CDC](https://www.cdc.gov) website for any other recommended vaccines.

Visa / Passport

- Must have a valid passport with at least six months of validity remaining when traveling internationally.
- A visa is required for entry into Kenya and is covered by your fundraising cost. Your team will apply for visas together or a Missions Staff Member will apply on behalf of your team.

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FUNDRAISING MILESTONES

We believe fundraising is a crucial part of your mission trip. It invites others to be a part of what God is doing around the world and in you as well as teaches you that God will provide the funds for your trip. Below you'll find your fundraising milestones for this trip. These milestones are not meant to be seen as obstacles that stand in your way but as celebration markers of God's faithfulness as you get closer to your trip.

- Milestone 1 (25%): 11/1/26
- Milestone 2 (50%): 12/1/26
- Milestone 3 (75%): 12/30/26
- Milestone 4 (100%): 1/25/27

Please note that you cannot begin fundraising until you have completed the application and interview process and been accepted. Once accepted, you will receive access to a personalized participant portal, which must be used for all fundraising efforts.

APPLY ONLINE

Biltmorechurch.com/missions

