



TEACHING & MINISTRY MISSION TEAM

West Africa, July 2018

Be part of what God is doing in West Africa! If you are looking for an opportunity to contribute your teaching and ministry gifts in a cross-cultural context to encourage and build into the local church, this team is for you. Join us as we go with an attitude of mutual learning and respect which will grow your faith and ministry as well as impact the local church.

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What is the purpose of the mission team?

This trip will bring people together from diverse cultures to inspire change in each other and offer hope through encouragement. We will be ministering in the power of the Spirit and impacting people through evangelistic meetings, bringing impartation and refreshment to churches. We will be participating in Pastor's Conferences, Youth Programs / Women's Meetings, Evangelical meetings, visiting orphans and widows, immersing in the culture and relational interaction.

What countries/cities will be visited?

We will be visiting the nations of Ghana and Togo in West Africa.

What are the approximate dates of the trip?

2-3 weeks in July 2018 (dates to be confirmed based on team's availability).

What indigenous agencies, organisations and/or churches are the team visiting?

We will be connecting with the local network of Promise Faith Centre Churches International. The overseeing senior pastor is Ps John Andoh.

What organisation is the trip endorsed by?

Gateway Baptist Church

What opportunities will team members have to share their giftings/passions/skills?

This trip is open to people with a heart for mission and people wanting to explore their gifts. The program will be geared toward ages 18+ and provide a range of different opportunities depending on the gifting mix of the team.

Team members need to have the ability to work in a team and take instruction from leaders. They will also need to be able to cope with the realities of life in Ghana and Togo (pollution, bumpy roads, transport delays, constantly changing itinerary, no alcohol, and cross cultural relationships).

Maximum number of team members:

8

Approximate financial commitment:

In-country costs approximately \$2000 (accommodation, food, transport), plus airfares (\$2,000-\$3,000), plus spending money and any visa, passport and immunisation costs. Total cost approx. \$4,500—\$5,000.

Time commitment for team preparation, prayer and debrief:

There will be four meetings 4–6 months before the trip, and a debrief meeting following your return.

What date do applications close?

Deadline for applications is 1 January 2018, however interested people are encouraged to apply earlier.

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I have been on five short term mission trips to West Africa. My first trip was in 2008 was part of a short-term mission team. In 2010, 2012, 2014 and 2016 I returned leading teams.



One thing I can assure you is that it's a life changing experience – your life will never be the same. The experience can be as difficult as it is rewarding. However, the feeling of being able to do something that makes a significant impact on the lives of people is indescribable – while realizing you have as much to learn and receive as you have to teach and to offer.

We work in partnership with local churches in Ghana and Togo, to proclaim the Gospel in communities. And in all we do, Christ is at the center, leading us, sustaining us, keeping us focused on our mission.