

Ethiopia ~ 1922 Eyeglass Team

Team Description "Impacting the World for Jesus Christ"

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DATES: FALL 2019

LOCATION: Multiple locations **ESTIMATED COST:** \$4,200-4,400

COST INCLUDES:

- Airfare
- Ground Transportation
- Housing
- Meals
- Logistical, Spiritual & Cultural Training Materials
- Trained Team Leader
- In-country Arrangements and Costs
- Supplemental Health Insurance
- Crisis Management Plan
- Team Medical Bag with Nursing Protocols
- 24/7 On Call Doctor

MATERIALS NEEDED FOR PROJECT:

- Each eyeglass team is asked to collect 3,000 pairs of eyeglasses to help replenish the inventory of eyeglasses we process for their team.
- Witness materials and eyeglass cases are needed. Directions to make the witness materials are available on our website.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Using a very simple testing system created specifically for MOST Ministries, members of this team will distribute eyeglasses to those in need. During the daily clinics, team members will test patients' eyes and then fit them with the appropriate corrective lenses. Depending on the number of team members, 100-300 people can be served daily.

Eyeglass training is provided by the team leader and can be completed in 3-4 hours during one of the team meetings. If team members cannot attend the training session, a manual will be provided for individual instruction. A final hands-on training will be provided once the team arrives on the mission field.

In order to minister to the spiritual needs of patients, each eyeglass clinic includes a witnessing station unless it is prohibited by the host country. At the witnessing station, the Gospel message and information about the host church is shared by the local missionaries, national pastors or lay ministers. Team members are always welcome to work at the witness station or to share Christ's love with the patients as they come through the clinic.

HOST / CHURCH INFORMATION:

This team will specifically be serving the Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus (EECMY), the largest and fastest growing Lutheran Church body in the world today. Team members will be working with two deaf schools in the country which serve students from ages 7-22 years old, testing their vision and distributing eyeglasses, working through translators skilled both in English and sign language.

