

'GO' Team: Ethiopia 2018

18th – 26th November 2018

Thank you for your interest in the trip to Ethiopia, to help teach and train church planters.

Please read the following carefully so that you are informed about the context of the trip.

Purpose

To support and encourage our partners, Teklu & Selam Wolde, and to teach the students at the Bible College.

Our Hosts

Teklu and Selam Wolde, Teklu considers himself a member of Wellspring Church—his 'home church'—and we are privileged to be partnering with him as he heads up a ministry called 'Ten Forty Ministries'



Teklu and Selam, work tirelessly to equip missionaries working in the horn of Africa, at great risk to themselves. They have seen thousands upon thousands of Muslims come to Christ in the last 10 years and Teklu's main aim is to train, release and equip leaders to share the good news about Jesus Christ with boldness, clarity, and faithfulness to the Scriptures.

Cost

The cost of the trip is **£750** which includes airline tickets and all in-country costs. You would also need to pay for any immunizations you need as well as travel insurance. A deposit of **£150** is due on 30 July 2018. Regular payments are appreciated and the full amount must be paid by 31 October 2018. Payment can be made using the payment envelopes on Sunday or via bank transfer. Simply contact Jodie Laing for banking details at missions@wellspring-church.org.



Accommodation

We will be staying in Teklu and Selam's home, which is a 5 minute drive from the Training Centre.



Food

If eating in a hotel the food will be westernised. You will eat Injera, at some point during your stay in Ethiopia, this is usually in the form of wat, a thick stew, served on top of injera, a large sourdough flatbread, which is about 50 centimetres (20 inches) in diameter and made out of fermented teff flour.

When you drink water it should only be from a bottle. Don't drink the tap water. Drink plenty of fluids to keep hydrated; it is quite hot in Ethiopia, but not unbearable.

Visa

You will need a visa to enter Ethiopia. Visas on arrival are available for tourists at Addis Ababa (Bole) International airport, at a cost of approximately \$US50 for 1 month (this cost is included in the trip cost). Your passport should be valid for a minimum period of 6 months from the date of entry into Ethiopia. Make sure you have two blank pages in your passport on arrival.

Insurance and injections

It is **essential** that you get travel insurance before you go as well as your injections/medications. (Have found Salt Insurance - <http://www.saltinsurance.com> - has offered travel insurance to places other insurance companies are reluctant to).

Injections:

You need to check with your GP/Practice Nurse at least 6 weeks ahead of travel what injections you may need for travelling to Ethiopia. These are likely to include:

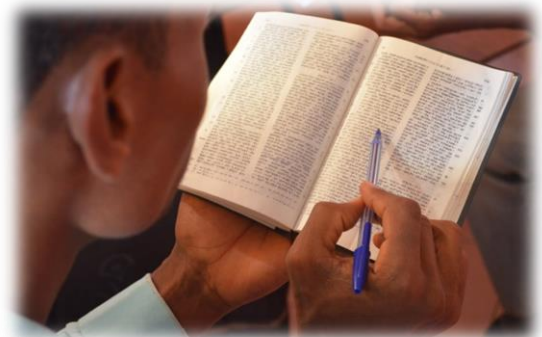
- Hepatitis A
- Typhoid
- Tetanus
- Diphtheria
- Polio

You may or may not have to pay for these injections, that will depend on your doctor!

You should also ensure you have an adequate supply of any medication you yourself need, as you may not be able to get more in Ethiopia if you run out.

Some useful things to take with you:

- Insect repellent cream/lotion, wipes and plug-in devices (those containing DEET are best)
- High factor suncream/lotion, preferably containing insect repellent
- Antihistamine tablets and gel/cream
- Tablets to stop sickness/diarrhoea



- Rehydration tablets (can be useful if you've had the above)
- Laxative tablets
- Loo roll (not all the toilets you will use are sophisticated!!!)
- Antibacterial hand wipes/gel (ditto!)
- Basic First Aid kit
- Hat and sunglasses
- Torch

Clothes

Because of the heat cotton is advisable and polyester should be avoided. It is important to be smartly dressed particularly at church meetings (no shorts). You will be travelling in the rainy season; May is the hottest month of the year, with an average temperature of 25°C, it can get humid in Addis and may rain heavily some days, so tracks and roads may become muddy.

Important Dates

Application deadline – submitted by email or at Wellspring office	10 July 2018
Team confirmation	30 July 2018
Deposit due - £150	30 July 2018
Pre-trip prayer and training (essential attendance) X 2	TBD
Balance of trip payment due	31 Oct 2018
Trip to Addis Ababa	Nov 18-26, 2018
Team de-brief/feedback evening	TBD

Itinerary

Sunday 18 th November 2018	Fly from Heathrow to Addis Ababa
Monday 19 th - Friday 23 rd	Teach at the school with the following sessions 9:00-10:30; 11:00-12:30; 14:00-15:00; 15:30-16:30
Saturday 24 th	possibly travel outside of Addis Ababa
Sunday 25 th	Church visit
Monday 26 th November	Fly home

A little background information

Ethiopia is a country in the Horn of Africa and the second-most populous nation on the African continent, after Nigeria. It's bordered by Eritrea to the north, Djibouti to the northeast, Somalia to the east, Kenya to the south and Sudan and South Sudan to the west.

Ethiopia is the oldest independent country in Africa and the second-oldest official Christian nation in the world after Armenia. Ethiopia is also the place for the first Hijra (615 AD) in Islamic history where the Christian king of Ethiopia accepted Muslim refugees from Mecca sent by the prophet Mohamed.

Ethiopia is one of the oldest countries in the world. In the long and disturbed history of the African continent, Ethiopia remains the only country which has never been colonised. Ethiopia was a founding member of the UN and is home to the African Union's headquarters. The Old Testament of the Bible records the Queen of Sheba's visit to Jerusalem.



In fact, historians believe that Ethiopia may well be the beginning of mankind. The fossils of the oldest once-living humans or "Lucy" were discovered in the northern section of Ethiopia. The remains of the fossil are said to be 3.5 million years old.

After a long and difficult period under self-declared "communist" rulers, the country is now back on its feet. The long history assures that there are many historic sites in the country. The natural beauty, with high mountains, lakes, waterfalls as well as arid deserts are among the natural attractions of Ethiopia.

Application form for an Overseas Mission Trip



TRIP LOCATION _____ DATE _____

FULL NAME AS APPEARS ON PASSPORT (please print):		DATE OF BIRTH: ____/____/____	
E-MAIL ADDRESS: HOME ADDRESS:		HOME PHONE NUMBER: MOBILE NUMBER:	
PASSPORT NUMBER: DATE OF ISSUE: ____/____/____ DATE OF EXPIRY: ____/____/____ PLACE (country) OF ISSUE: Please attach a photocopy of your passport information page to the application form.		EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS WHILST YOU ARE AWAY (Next of Kin) NAME: ADDRESS: HOME TEL: MOBILE: RELATIONSHIP TO YOU:	
This trip may require working in an environment where there are children or vulnerable adults; you will be required to complete a DBS form. Please tick here to state that you understand this: <input type="checkbox"/>		Do you have any medical condition we need to know about? (including allergies)	
If you already have a DBS issued within the last 3 years please give details below: Ref No. _____ Date of Issue: _____		Do you have a current First Aid Certificate? Y/N If yes, date of issue: _____	
Are you on any medication we need to be aware of? Please give details in case of emergency:		Do you have any specific dietary requirements or food intolerances? Please give details:	
If you have been attending Wellspring Church for 12 months or less, if possible please can you give details for a reference, by doing this you agree to us contacting the said person (previous Pastor or Employer) NAME: ADDRESS: TELEPHONE NUMBER: E MAIL:		We are looking forward to this mission trip and are glad you have applied. We will contact to confirm if you are accepted on this team. By applying to be part of this trip you agree to ensure that you abide by the values of the Bible and the Church and that you have been coming to services regularly for at least 6 months. You agree to follow the leadership of the team and to ensuring that you have the correct insurance and appropriate inoculations, if needed. Signed _____ Date: _____	
P.T.O.			

