

WVFC Osanidde Mission Ministry
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Dear Prospective Missions Team Members,

Thank you for your interest in serving and ministering to the people of Lake Victoria, Uganda. This could be a life-altering opportunity for you and a life-changing experience for the people of that area.

Attached you will find two documents: The first is an application form for participation on West Valley Foursquare (WVFC) Mission Teams; the second is a covenant to be signed by each applicant, indicating complete agreement with the church, team vision, and submission to both local and Ugandan leadership. An interview is also required to be considered for an Osanidde Missions team.

You will find significant expectations of each applicant. Please be aware that while WVFC Missions are intended to be both life-giving and fun, there is a great deal of responsibility that goes along with representing Jesus and His church on foreign soil. Ministering with WVFC Missions Team is a privilege rather than a right. Applicants will be carefully screened to ensure proper motivation and attitude of heart. We want to be wise in building teams of ministers instead of tourists.

Understand our desire is to see as many people as possible travel to Osanidde Orphanage and the islands of Lake Victoria; we want to be inclusive, not exclusive. However, some people may be motivated to go to Uganda for less than optimum reasons. In order to guarantee maximum team chemistry and appropriate ministry vision, some applicants may be asked to wait, seek Godly growth, and reapply at a later date.

We trust that your desire to travel to Uganda is a direct result of a Holy Spirit call on your life. Please complete the attached application and covenant and return it to the WVFC Office as soon as possible. Also, included in this packet for your information is a sample trip agenda from past trips, some general information, and the packing list for the trip.

Thanks again for your missions interest. We join you in anticipating God's work and our partnership on the island of Lake Victoria, Uganda!

God Bless,
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APPLICATION FOR TEAM MEMBERSHIP ON MISSION TRIP TO
ISLANDS OF LAKE VICTORIA, UGANDA, EAST AFRICA

Full Name:	Birthdate: ___/___/___	Today's Date ___/___/___
Address:	Email:	
Phone:	Cell:	
Church Home:	Church Phone:	
Church Address:	Church Email:	
Emergency Contact	Contact Phone:	
Under 18 years of age, parent or guardian name:		
Under 18 years of age, phone and address of parent or guardian:		
Where and when were you born:		
When and where were you baptized in water:		
What are your beliefs regarding vocal gifts of the Holy Spirit:		
In under 500 words, tell why you want to make this mission trip. What is your motivation? Tell us what you envision doing while you are at Osanidde; speaking, Children's Conference, etc.-be specific.		
Please attach your response to this application.		
The approximate cost is \$2,500-\$3,500. If accepted on the team, how are you planning to pay your way (existing savings, budget monthly, fundraise, family gift, etc.)?		

When returning this application, please provide a letter of recommendation from your current pastor including verification that you faithfully attend and are actively involved in the church he/she pastors.

When returning this application, please provide a letter of recommendation from a Christian adult other than a WVFC Missions team member.

Please include a resume stating your vocational history and church volunteering/serving history. Include supervisor name and contact information for vocational, volunteering, and serving history.

Once the application has been submitted, schedule your Missions Team interview.

For January trip, schedule with Lucas Jaeger, Executive Missions Director.

For Summer trip, schedule with Patty Oliver, Missions Director.

For Summer Medical trip, schedule with Tracy Keniston, Medical Mission Team Lead

Signature:

Passport Number, where issued and renewal date:

Under 18 years of age, signature of parent/guardian:

Date:

As a prospective WVFC foreign missionary, I agree to the following stipulations:

Please Initial

_____ My desire to travel to Uganda is a result of a Godly call on my life, and not any form of selfish motivation.

_____ I will submit to all guidelines regarding dress, decoration, and behavior given to team members

_____ I will submit to West Valley Foursquare Church Missions Team Lead, to any WVFC Pastors, to Drake Kanaabo, and to the Uncles and Aunties at Osanidde.

_____ I will faithfully attend all preparatory team meetings except as previously excused by the team leader.

_____ I will faithfully participate in all team activities during our trip.

_____ I will avoid spending time alone with Ugandan national members of the opposite sex.

_____ I will strive to consistently reflect Christ-likeness and the vision and values of WVFC

_____ If accepted onto a WVFC Mission Team I will pay a \$200 deposit within two months which does not include any money raised from team fundraisers

This is my covenant.

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Fill out and sign. Ask office to make you a copy for you to keep with your records.

Osanidde Missions General Information

- Osanidde Orphanage is on Bussi Island, which is on Lake Victoria in Uganda. Uganda is in East Central Africa.
- Drake Kanaabo and his wife Josephine are the founders of Osanidde Village. Their adoptive sons Michael Kyazze and Roni Ssenkubuge are the Directors.
- Refer to Osanidde as Osanidde Village when we are in Uganda. Refer to the children as children and do not refer to them as orphans.
- The language is Luganda. Some Ugandans we will interact with speak English and some speak Swahili.
- The currency is the Ugandan Shilling.
- You will see women bowing to men and other similar behavior. It is a male dominated culture.
- We take “Navy Showers” during our time at Osanidde Village. The water for the house we stay in is in a large container above the house. When it runs out it has to be refilled by the children bringing many buckets of water. When we shower we rinse, turn the water off, soap up, wash the soap off, and turn the water off. We squeegee the bathroom floor when we are finished showering.
- We don't focus on how good we have it or how bad they have it during conversations.
- We clean up after ourselves.
- We are aware of others.
- We respect their culture as much as possible.
- Call your bank before you leave letting them know you will be in Amsterdam and Uganda so they do not freeze your debit card. Tell them the dates as well.
- Turn off your cellular data on your phone once we leave Seattle, and turn it to Airplane mode for the duration of the trip.
- The children will want to hold your hand and carry your belongings, let them.
- It is not uncommon for members of the same sex to hold hands when walking in Uganda.
- We will eat lots of starches and fruit (mainly pineapple).
- We will eat family style for every meal. Be considerate of portion size. Look to host for if unsure of appropriate portion size and/or consider how many people need to eat.
- Plan on being fluid, things (schedules, locations, times) change multiple times while in ministry at Osanidde.