CONGRATULATIONS, AND WELCOME TO HABITAT AND THRIVENT WORLDWIDE

You are about to go on an incredible journey. Your Habitat and Thrivent Worldwide trip will expand your understanding of the world. It will introduce you to a new culture and traditions and let you see “family life” from a different perspective. It will give you an amazing opportunity to live generously, reflect, grow and be part of something that is truly changing lives. Together, we’ll help families build simple, decent homes and a foundation for a brighter future.

We hope you share this exciting adventure as much as you can with your community and help spread the word about the difference the Habitat for Humanity and Thrivent Partnership is making in U.S. communities, and also worldwide.

Please review and complete the checklist on the back of this letter to help you prepare for your experience of a lifetime!

Volunteer Perspectives

“Every trip that I’ve been a part of, has opened my eyes to the hardships that others endure daily, reminding me of the many blessings I have in my life.”

“It was an excellent experience. Living in another culture—another people’s shoes if you will—for a week is a humbling experience. Working together with future homeowners to help build their new homes is to experience grace.”

“It is the best way I know to directly impact the life of a family in a sustainable way.”
Things to do before your trip:

- Determine your travel arrangements and payment schedule by working with your team leader.
- Visit Habitat.org/volunteer/travel-and-build/global-village/volunteer-resources to read the online orientation handbook and review the information on the Travel Accident and Sickness Insurance that is included in your trip cost. Check out all the resources on this page to help you prepare for your trip.
- Obtain passport and visa (if applicable).
- Schedule an appointment with your physician for immunizations and discuss the date of your last tetanus vaccination well in advance of your trip. Some immunizations are administered weeks prior to your trip. Visit cdc.gov/travel for recommended immunizations.
- Inspire others to live generously by creating a personal fundraising page. It’s easy to do! Contact your team leader about next steps. Then provide the Web address to family, friends, church groups and others.
- Final payments must be received by Habitat for Humanity International 45 days before departure. Remember to include your event code, name and Habitat ID number on all payments and correspondence. An acknowledgment letter will be sent to anyone making a donation or payment.
  
  - Pay online at Habitat.org/gv and click on “Make a Global Village trip donation.”
  - Pay by credit card, by calling 800-422-4828.
  - Pay by check to: Global Village—(ENTER GVT##### CODE; HABITAT ID IN MEMO LINE), Habitat for Humanity, 322 W. Lamar St., Americus, GA 31709.
- Visit Thrivent.com/Habitat to learn more about the Habitat and Thrivent Partnership and the Worldwide home building program.

Together, Thrivent and Habitat for Humanity help families in need of a safe and decent place to call home. With our communities, who put God’s love into action by pooling their power and passion, our partnership helps both those giving and those receiving on their journey to a more content, confident and fulfilling life.

Thrivent is a not-for-profit membership organization of Christians. For more than 100 years, we’ve helped our members be wise with money and be good stewards of the gifts God has given them.

Habitat for Humanity is a global nonprofit housing organization working in local communities across all 50 states in the U.S. and in approximately 70 countries. Habitat’s vision is of a world where everyone has a decent place to live.

Find out more at Thrivent.com/Habitat and Habitat.org.

Contact Information

Your Habitat and Thrivent Worldwide team leader is your primary contact, but you can also find information:

- Online at Thrivent.com/Habitat.
- By calling the Habitat and Thrivent Worldwide team at 800-422-4828.
- By emailing Thrivent@habitat.org.