

Join the mission trip to Malawi June 1-10, 2018.

Information Session Mon., Sept. 18, 7 pm at Wesley United Methodist Church, Raleigh

The 2018 Malawi Team will visit the town of Madisi, where Garner-based non-profit ZOE works to empower orphans and vulnerable children and Habitat Malawi builds houses with ZOE participants. In addition to meeting children transformed by ZOE's program and Habitat, the team will build two Habitat homes for orphans and their caretakers in Madisi.

Housing Need

A typical Malawi hut is built of mud brick with a dirt floor and glass-thatched roof, which requires frequent repair. The roof makes the house damp and attracts insects. Many people live in slums characterized by poor water and sanitation facilities, no electricity and poor road network. More than 50 percent of the population lives in poverty, yet there are very few institutions dedicated to building safe, stable housing.

Orphans and Vulnerable Groups

The number of orphans and vulnerable children in Malawi has increased from 937,000 in 2001 to 1.4 million in 2010, representing a 66% increase in less than a decade. Life expectancy is just 60 years.

About Habitat Malawi

Habitat Malawi has constructed more than 300 homes for vulnerable families and orphans. Additional programs work to prevent malaria and HIV, to teach vocational skills and property and inheritance rights training, and to provide housing finance support and community sanitation projects. Visit www.habitat.org/where-we-build/malawi to learn more about Habitat In Malawi.

About ZOE

Headquartered in Garner, North Carolina, ZOE was started in 2004 as a ministry of the NC Conference of the United Methodist Church and now is an independent non-profit organization working ecumenically in Kenya, Rwanda, Zimbabwe, Malawi, Liberia, India and Guatemala. ZOE currently has 30,000 children enrolled in its three-year program, teaching life skills and providing micro-grants and other resources to help them achieve their goals. Visit www.zoehelps.org to learn more.



Seeking to put God's love into action, Habitat for Humanity brings people together to build homes, communities and hope.

Balon Maupo lost his father in 2002, and he cares for his four siblings and his 49-year-old mother who has a disability. Balon is shown here in front the new home he helped to build.



Itinerary

June 1, Travel. Most volunteers will depart from North America on this day.

June 2, Arrive. Welcome to Lilongwe, Malawi! Habitat for Humanity will greet you at the airport and introduce you to your team at dinner.

June 3, Orientation. Habitat and ZOE staff will share about our innovative work in Malawi and brief the team on your project. Travel to Madisi.

June 4-7, Visit with children and build homes. In the evenings, the team will have time for excursions, rest and reflection meetings.

June 8, Celebrate. Build, then enjoy the house dedication ceremony. Return to Lilongwe.

June 9, Goodbyes. Fly home or travel to Zambia for safari in South Luangwa National Park.

June 10-11, Safari. Return to Lilongwe.

June 12-13, Participants travel home.

Accomodations and Meals

Our team will stay in a hotel in Madisi with two to four people per room. Breakfast is served at the hotel, lunch is eaten on the work site, and dinners are at the hotel or local restaurants.

Tasks on the Work Site

Your team will be guided by skilled masons to build a safe, decent house from the foundation. Typical work includes mixing mortar and concrete, carrying construction materials, fixing chicken wires, digging foundations, making bricks, and carrying water.

Neighbors will welcome you into their community, so you'll be immersed in the daily life of the village. You'll have the chance to see many aspects of their lives.

Trip Cost

Approximately \$2,000 USD, not including airfare and optional \$600 safari in Zambia. This covers accomodations, meals, in-country transportation, medical insurance and an important donation to Habitat for Humanity to help build housing in Madisi. In addition, participants will pay their own air transportation to Lilongwe (flight information will be forwarded to all participants) and should plan for visa and vaccination expenses.

Fundraise and Share Your Story!

You may fundraise for your trip! Fundraising is as easy as telling your friends, family and colleagues why you build with Habitat for Humanity. Habitat Wake staff will help set up a fundraising page and guild you to success.

Volunteers are encouraged to set up a fundraising goal over the minimum. Every donation you raise keeps Habitat building after your team returns home and helps us serve another familiy.

Fundraising questions? Contact Nancy Bromhal, nancy.bromhal@habitatwake.org.

For more information, contact the Team Leaders:

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