

Thank you for your interest in joining us for our Peru Mission Trip! This email will contain everything you need to know to officially register for the trip.

Register Online

Your first step is to fill out the online form. Once the form is filled out I will reach out to you by phone or in person for some additional details. You will also have the opportunity to choose the different trip options. You can click more than one if your schedule would allow. This help us form our teams. Yes...we will do our best to keep friends together. You will also notice an additional trip in March. This trip may or may not happen and will only be scheduled if our numbers are too high.

Payments

The trip cost will be somewhere between \$2,000 and \$2,500 (not including your passport). That number will be determined by the cost of flights, your desire to see Machu Picchu, and how much spending money you want while in Peru. In order for your registration to be complete you will need to pay a \$200 deposit (after January 1). We ask that each participant try to pay at least \$200 a month and then pay the remaining balance in July. However, we know that at times this may be difficult, especially if a family is going together. Let us know if you need a different payment plan. You can pay by cash, check, or card. If you pay by cash or check please makes sure to label it with the participants name and the title "Peru 2025". A separate form will be sent in the near future where you can make online payments.

IMPORTANT:

If you make a payment through tithes and offerings, or any other option in the online giving, we will have no idea who or what the payment is for. PLEASE ONLY PAY THROUGH THE ONLINE FORM I WILL SEND TO YOU IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

Scholarships

The Peru trip is first and foremost a youth trip. We do our best to provide a sizable scholarship to our first time youth mission trip participants (and former youth). In addition to this, there is the opportunity for other participants (non youth or repeat participants) to receive scholarships by requesting it through the missions committee. Typically a first time participant will receive more. The size of the scholarship, and how many scholarships we can provide, are determined by how much money has been given to the scholarship funds. Historically, our church has been very giving to those in need of financial help. However, we ask every participant to be prepared to pay the full amount.

Refunds

Peru payments are a tax write off which means they CANNOT BE REFUNDED. Here's what that means:

Once you pay the church we cannot give you back the money.

Depending on the circumstances, it may be possible for your money to be transferred another person on the team.

My financial obligation

Sometimes, unforeseen circumstances may require that someone backs out of the trip. In situations like these we will do our best to help with the situation. In short, every participant will be financially responsible for whatever investment the church has made on their behalf. For example:

- If a participant backs out in February the church would have made little to no financial investment and there would probably be no additional payments needed.
- If a participant backs out in April, and the flights cannot be refunded, the participant would need to pay for the flight.

Trip Options

You will notice a 4th trip option in March. We had so much interest we felt it might be necessary for another trip. While it's unlikely, we did want to see if there was any interest for that time frame. If we add on a trip in March the ministry focus will be Project Hope. Project Hope is ran by Rooted and Grace and focuses on leading students to Christ, discipling them, and equipping them to succeed in life. While there, you will assist the team through teaching, worship, games, breakout sessions, and VBS like ministries. Dates and time frames are on the form.

- Option 1 - Summer camp and orphanage
- Option 2 - VBS villages and orphanage
- Option 3 - Project hope in March (more below)
- Option 4 - Option 1 and 2 combined (limited and may not be able to happen)

Passport

The most important step for approved participants is to get their passport. This process can take some time so make sure you start immediately after being approved. Don't worry...WE WILL HELP YOU! If you have a passport, please make sure it is valid at least 6 months after you return from your Peru trip (dates would depend on the trip you go on). If it isn't, you will need to renew your passport quickly.

Trainings

We will have about 4-6 trainings. These trainings will include everything from what to expect, how to pack, how to share the Gospel with language barriers, and prepping for our ministry times in Peru. There is a lot of work that has to be done to prepare lessons, skits, crafts, and so much more!