

# Petros Network FAQ

## How much does a trip cost?

Typically trips run anywhere from \$3,100 USD to \$5,000 USD for combo trips (multiple locations). The total depends on airfare, location(s), and duration of trip.

- Trip Payment Schedule:
  - Application Submission: \$375 trip non-refundable deposit due to secure your spot
  - 90 Days before the trip: \$1,000 due
  - 60 Days before the trip: \$1,000 due
  - 30 Days before the trip: Remaining balance due
  - Note: If paying by card, there is a 4% card processing fee.

## What is included in the trip fees?

- Short-term travel insurance
- Airfare
- Hotel
- Tips
- Transfers
- Ground transportation
- Basic meals
- Clean water and hygiene

## What's not included?

- Passport fees/photos
- Immunizations
- In-country Visa
- Luggage beyond airfare allowance
- Laundry service
- Specialty drinks
- Meals at the airport
- Souvenirs
- Medications
- Electrical adapters
- Possible COVID tests

## Who can go on a mission trip?

Anyone is invited to join us on a short-term mission trip. We invite you to take the gospel plunge and join us on a life-impacting experience. As a Petros Network trip participant, you are joining a group of passionate partners whose hearts are stirred to reach the unreached and care for the poor. Together we will serve in some of the poorest, most remote, hard-to-reach places in the

world; places where there is little or no infrastructure or resources; and places where people have never experienced God's love or heard about the saving grace of Jesus Christ.

Those under the age of 18 may travel to the countries we serve with a parent, guardian, or qualified youth leader. The accompanying adult will assume responsibility for the minor's behavior and safety. This adult must be willing to leave the trip to accompany the minor home if any behavior or safety reasons warrant the return. Petros Network believes that children of all ages can have a tremendous impact when traveling on outreach trips. It is important that children are mature, flexible, and capable of handling, seeing, and processing economic poverty. However, it is up to the discretion of the parents to determine the appropriate age for their child to travel with us.

In fulfilling our mission, international trips are scheduled multiple times a year with activities varying according to the needs of the local community and the various skills of team members. Some of the challenges found in the areas we serve often seem insurmountable; and yet, when we work together, we can impact one village at a time and then another...and another. That is why we are so excited to have you join us on one of our upcoming Petros Network trips. Typically, our teams are made up of individuals with a wide variety of giftings and passions. Specialized training is welcomed, but not necessary. If God is calling you to join us, we expect this trip to be one of the high points of your life.

### **What types of trips do you offer?**

At Petros Network, we work across 100+ denominations and partner with people like you to train and empower indigenous missionaries to meet physical needs, share the Gospel, and help it spread throughout the unreached world. The needs of the communities we serve are great, and each of our trips can be unique depending upon the team involved and the needs of the community we are serving. Trip itineraries can also vary from one country to two countries, from 10 days to 20 days. Typically, our teams are made up of individuals with a wide variety of giftings and passions. This, along with the tremendous need, allows Petros Network trip participants to serve in various areas and have a God-glorifying holistic impact. Below are activities most teams will experience: Building, Empowering, and Launching Leaders | Building indigenous leaders is at the core of what we do. We believe a trained leader is the HOPE of the world!

- Church Planter Training and Ministry Development
- Leadership Training and Development
- Small Business Training and Development
- Personal and Life Skill Training and Development
- Bible and Christian Literature Distribution
- Administrative Help: Training check-in and support, conducting Church Planter interviews
- Providing Humanitarian Care | We extend God's love through acts of compassion and care. Jesus not only spoke the WORD, but He cared for the people!
- Protecting Children: Education, food, clothing, medical care, and support as needed.

- Empowering Women: Small Business training, life skills, business development, micro-grants, renovating homes, personal care, skill-building through the TESFA Project, etc.
- Improving Healthcare: Medical and dental clinics
- Providing Clean Water and Sanitation: Well drilling, water purification, sanitation development
- Feeding Families: Farming and agriculture initiatives, food distribution
- Building Character Through Sports: Sport clinics, events

As a trip participant, you will be asked to roll up your sleeves and be the hands of Christ extended in your area of gifting as well as some expanded areas. You may also be asked to help transport training or medical supplies, to serve in a stretching role, or even to teach or give your testimony to a local congregation. We will attempt to use your unique skills and passion for the greatest impact for the glory of God. We can promise you will never be the same.

### **How does COVID-19 affect the trips?**

The restrictions in the areas we serve have been heightened by COVID-19 regulations. While traveling from Country to Country you may need to obtain a Covid test prior to travel. Some countries may require vaccination as well. Our Mobilization Specialist can answer any questions as well as provide up-to-date information on COVID-19 international travel.

### **Why do people typically go on your trips?**

If you are a medical professional, a business man or women, a teacher, a mother, a construction worker, a theologian, a nanny—we need you! Every trip we have a wide variety of projects from working with our widows and orphans to teaching our church planters and everything in between that keeps us going each day.

### **Where do we stay?**

Our teams stay in local hotels in or near the areas we serve. Trip fees include double occupancy hotel accommodation. Single-room accommodation is available for an additional fee. Each trip participant may indicate the name of the person they wish to share the room with as part of the trip application process. If requesting a single room, you may indicate that on your application.

### **What will I eat?**

Generally, food will be prepared by our national hosts and/or eaten in local restaurants. We will eat items such as lamb, chicken, some beef, cabbage, lentils, potatoes, and eggs. Coffee, tea, sodas, and bottled water will be available throughout the day. It is important to be cautious about what you eat. Avoid fruit that cannot be peeled, uncooked vegetables, salads, fruit juices, raw eggs, and uncooked meat or unprocessed cheese. Team Members are encouraged to include snack foods, sweets, and granola bars in their luggage. It's possible that we might miss a meal during our travels, and having a taste of home can provide comfort on a challenging day.