



LIVING WATER TRIPS

2023 Pricing Structure

Dear Friends of Living Water,

Thank you for your ongoing partnership in providing safe water to our sisters and brothers in Central America, the Caribbean, and Africa. We deeply value the time, energy, and resources you sacrifice for the important work of serving the thirsty, and it is our goal that this involvement enriches the discipleship journey of those who participate in Living Water Trips.

We are excited to resume our Living Water Trips program after a 2-year pause during the COVID-19 pandemic. During this time, we've seen an increase in direct costs associated with trips due to inflation and high flight prices.

After evaluating these costs, we have made the following changes to our pricing structure, effective January 1, 2023:

Trip fees:

- Central America trips: \$1,850 per person plus airfare*
- Africa trips: \$2,500 per person plus airfare*

*On average, flights to Central America range from \$600-\$1,200 and flights to Africa range from \$900-\$2,000.

Your total trip cost will depend on airfare. Living Water will still book this airfare and will let you know the total cost of your trip once flights are purchased. For more details, please see the FAQs below.

Trip partnerships: Beyond participating in the trip, you will have the opportunity to further support Living Water by contributing to a portion of the programmatic work in your trip country. We are still finalizing the details of these partnership opportunities for 2023. At the time of booking, please indicate whether or not you are interested in a trip partnership and we will reach out with specific details once finalized!

Trip fees are designed to cover meals, accommodations, and other direct costs associated with hosting trips, which means this does not include expenses from fundraising and US programmatic oversight. These costs are subsidized through other fundraising initiatives so that this trip ministry can be made available to as many people as possible.

Thank you again for your partnership and support. We are honored to work with you as we serve our neighbors in Latin America, the Caribbean, and Africa!

Living Water Trips



Frequently Asked Questions:

- **Will Living Water still book my flight?** YES! We will book your flight from your home airport to the trip country. Depending on your location, you may have to stay overnight (typically in Houston or Miami) so that you can arrive Sunday morning. We will book and pay for the hotels if necessary. We have many years of experience booking flights and try to find the best flight for you!
- **When will you book my flight?** We will book flights in a timely manner after you've completed your registration and initial payment (\$1,200), generally 60-90 days before the trip. The sooner you register and pay, the sooner we can book your flights! Once booked, we will let you know the total cost of your trip and update your fundraising/payment page.
- **How much will my flight cost?** Flight cost depends on many factors: originating airport, how far in advance tickets are purchased, time of year, etc. Because flight costs vary so much, we will not know the exact amount until the time tickets are purchased. On average, most flights to Central America range from \$600-\$1,200 and flights to Africa range from \$900-\$2,000.
- **If I cancel my trip, can I get a refund?** All donations made toward your trip will be tax deductible, which means we cannot provide a refund for your trip, even if the flight is refunded or you raise additional funds (please refer to our refund policy for more information).
- **How do I fundraise if I don't know my total cost?** If you are fundraising, we know this makes it a little hard to know exactly how much you will need to raise. Once you hit the initial \$1,200 amount, we will try to book your flight as soon as possible so that we can update your page with the total amount of your trip. If you would like us to set your fundraising goal to include an estimated flight cost, we absolutely can! Just be aware that in the event that your flight cost less than the estimate and you over-fundraise, we cannot provide any refunds. Any funds raised above your total trip cost will help support our program.
- **Can I book my own flight?** Yes, you may book your own flight, HOWEVER, you must book the same flight as the rest of the team or landing within 30 minutes of their scheduled arrival/departure. If the flight you book is not within these guidelines, we may ask you to rebook or take care of your own transportation to/from the airport in country.
- **How does this work for teams?** Because flight costs are variable person to person, there is a chance that some team members could have different airfare than others. We will update the cost for each person once the ticket has been purchased.