



**Date:**

June 1st — June 15th, 2019

**Location:**

Mbale, Uganda

**Cost:**

\$2500

- **Includes:** *Flight | Lodging | Meals | Ground Transportation | Blessing Money | \$50 Entry Visa*
- **Does not Include:** *Cost of Passport | Yellow Fever Vaccination*

**Travel Requirements:**

- Valid passport (must be good through **January 2020**)
- Yellow Fever vaccination
- Malaria pills (**not required**, but recommended)

**Our Mission:**

1. To assist and support our Sharon Church Ministry partners Ryan & Megan Kelley, along with the staff at the Lulwanda Children's home.
2. To hold VBS events for the children of the Lulwanda Children's home.
3. To assist the medical organization at the children's home.

**Participants:**

- Middle school - adults welcome
- 20 spots available
- Team meetings start in March

**How to Sign Up:**

1. Turn in \$400 non-refundable deposit (guarantees a spot)
2. Fill out information forms
3. Make sure all checks are made out to **Sharon Church** and write "Uganda Mission" on the memo line. Make sure that checks are handed in to Codi Schutz for processing!

**Timeline/Deadlines:**

**December 19th**— Last call to sign up. (\$400 deposit)

**February 13th**— Second payment of \$1000 due

**April 3rd**— Last payment of \$1100 due

**Money Raising Tips:**

- \* Ask for Christmas support or Birthday support instead of presents that will fade.
- \* Look for ways to earn a little extra money. (mowing grass, baby sitting, Etc.)
- \* Garage sale!
- \* Send out support letters to friends and family (sample available).

**Contact (question/concerns):**

Codi Schutz: [codi@sharonchurch.com](mailto:codi@sharonchurch.com) or **770-375-7784**

## Ryan & Megan Kelley



Ryan and Megan will be our “go to” contacts on this trip. Ryan and Megan are from McDonough and have attended Sharon Church since they were in the youth group. They moved to Mbale, Uganda in 2016 to serve in the Lulwanda Children's Home. They oversee the medical care for staff and children as well as bible study and discipleship efforts. Together they have four children: Lucy & Nora (twins) Audrey (front and center) and Simon (back center).

*For more Information on the Kelleys, check them out at [kelleymissions.com](http://kelleymissions.com)!*

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## Uganda Information

- Uganda is a landlocked country in East Africa. It is bordered to the east by Kenya, to the north by South Sudan, to the west by the Democratic Republic of the Congo, to the southwest by Rwanda, and to the south by Tanzania.
- There is an estimated 44 million people in Uganda, with an average age of 15 years old, and a life expectancy average of 58 years.
- Uganda has 2.5 million orphans. Of that number, 1.2 million are orphaned by AIDS.
- Uganda currency consists of bills and coins called Ugandan Shillings. Currently, 1 Ugandan Shilling is worth .00026 US dollars.
- Uganda is one of the poorest countries with unstable economic conditions. Studies show that nearly half of the population lives off of less than \$1 per day, yet the people of Uganda are very happy and cheerful and are known for their hospitality!



# Example Support letter



**GREG MCGAHA**

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October 21, 2015

Dear Billy,

I feel that God has called me to go on a mission trip this coming summer to Guatemala with our student ministry at Sharon Baptist Church, July 2-9, 2016. We are partnering with an organization that is there all year long. In our partnering, we want to further the reach of God's love. There are going to be many opportunities to help in physical labor. This may be done through building a house for a needy family, or it may be done through helping Inglesia del Camino with work in their many ministry locations. There will also be opportunities to meet physical needs. These needs could be through feeding, delivering water filters, and anything else that the Lord opens up to us. (If you are going to Panajachel, then the dates are 9-16. We are partnering with Solomon's Porch)

In addition, to meeting the physical needs we intend on helping with the spiritual well being. We will be hosting a VBS and doing home visits. There will be many times to play with the children, hold them when they need a hug, and attempt to communicate through a smile and broken Spanish. The total needed for me to participate in this trip is approximately \$1525. (\$2250 if you are doing both) On Christmas and my Birthday I will be asking for money in lieu of receiving gifts in an effort on my part to make personal sacrifices for this cause. I also intend on mowing yards, weeding, baby sitting or whatever jobs I can find to help raise the support. But, I will also need some people partnering with me on this venture through donating. Please pray about whether the Lord is calling you to participate in helping financially. Whether the Lord leads you to support with finances or not, I value your prayer support. Pray for my heart that it will be prepared. Pray for the team that the Lord is putting together, and the unity of His Spirit. Pray for the people that God is leading us to love on, and the ministries we are partnering with on this trip.

If the Lord is leading you to participate financially, then please write a check to Sharon Baptist Church and in the Memo write "Student Guatemala". Mail the check to my home address above or give it to me. Please do not put my name on the check. If you put my name on the check, then you will not be eligible for a tax credit. I will make sure this support gets allocated properly. If your support is under \$250, then the IRS will accept your canceled check as proof of your donation. If the support exceeds this amount, then Sharon Baptist Church will issue a giving statement. If you give regularly to Sharon, then your support will be added to your giving statement regardless. You can use the tear off below to return with your donation if God is leading.

Remember regardless of feeling led to support financially or not, please consider praying for me as I prepare for and go on this Mission trip.

Sincerely yours,

Gregory McGaha (your name)



Gregory McGaha (your name) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of person receiving support                      amount                      check number



Name of supporter                      Address                      City                      Zip