



2020 Thailand Mission Trip Information Packet

Join the Potomac Conference Youth & Young Adult Ministries Department on a mission trip to Thailand for the opportunity to go, serve, and love others!

Trip Information

When is the Thailand Mission Trip?

We will be flying out of Washington, DC airport on Thursday, November 19, 2020 and return Tuesday, December 1, 2020.

What Will We Be Doing And Where Exactly Are We Going?

The purpose of this trip is to bring hope and draw smiles in as many children as possible. We will be visiting different towns in Bangkok to provide food, medical attention and equipment, educational material, but most importantly, the experience of sharing Jesus' love, our own time, and real concern for their future. Before the trip, we are asking every participant to collect school supply kits (crayons, pencils, scissors, glue sticks, erasers, etc.) as well as toys, shoes, and toiletries (kids toothbrushes, toothpaste, etc.), which will then be handed out to those school-aged

children in need. You can collect these items with the help of your local church/school.

We Need Volunteers For:

- Medical & Dental Assistance
- Medical & Dental assistance in the pharmacy
- Help in the kitchen
- Events for children: games, origami, arts & crafts, etc.
- Helpful discussions for parents & adolescents
- Repair & construction at churches or institutions
- Songs, stories, devotionals, meditations and sermons
- Teaching seminars, educational subjects, psychological help, educational hour, discussions about values and virtues
- Talent shows, playing instruments, acting, role-playing

How Much Will It Cost:

The total cost of the trip is \$1,599 per person. Included in the cost are the Project Fee, Lodging, Meals, Air flight from Washington, DC to Suvarnabhumi Airport (BKK) in Bangkok, Local Transportation, Missionary Insurance through Adventist Risk Management, and a T-Shirt. Please bring money/cash for food at airport and for souvenirs. A support letter can be provided to you to send out to family, friends, local businesses, etc. to request spiritual and financial assistance with this trip. All money that you give to cover the costs for this mission trip is considered a tax-deductible contribution to the mission trip fund.

How Do We Pay For It?

An application and \$300 deposit are due to secure your spot. All payments can be made directly to Potomac Conference Youth Dept.

Statements will be sent prior to each due date:

- Application Submission: \$300 deposit due (non-refundable) by March 31, 2020
- April 30, 2020: \$250 due
- May 31, 2020: \$250 due
- June 30, 2020: \$250 due
- July 31, 2020: \$250 due
- August 31, 2020: \$299 due

Total: \$1,599

Pay by Check:

Please send a check payable to Potomac Conference Youth Dept to the following address:

Attn: Potomac Conference Youth Dept.
606 Greenville Ave Staunton, VA 24401

Write "Thailand Mission Trip" and your name on the Memo line.

Pay by Credit Card/Debit Card:

You can make online payments through [AdventistGiving.net](https://adventistgiving.net). Follow the instructions below to make your payment online

[Instructions for Online Payments](#)

How to Apply?

Visit <https://webdocs.pcsda.org/Forms/YouthMissionTrip2020> and fill out your information and submit a copy of your passport.

Who Can Go?

Every applicant must be 18 years old or older, have filled out the application form and submitted the deposit by April 30, 2020. The applications can be found on our youth website at www.pcsda.org. If you are under 18 years old, you must fill out additional forms found online. All minors 16 to 18 years old traveling without their parents, will need a notarized letter by both parents stating that child can travel with the group. If one parent is traveling with child, a notarized letter is required from the other parent stating the child can travel.

Click below to access the required forms if you are under 18 years of age:

[Affidavit of Consent for Children Traveling Abroad](#) - *MUST be notarized when submitted*

[Parental Permission Slip](#)

Required Prerequisites To Attend This Trip:

- A valid passport
 - If you do not have a valid passport, start the application early! It can take 10-12 weeks for processing. The passport *cannot* be 6 months close to expiration. Please make sure your passports expiration date is after

May 2021. Deadline to submit a renewed passport is August 1, 2020. If you do not have a valid passport by then, you may not be able to travel on the mission trip.

- Thailand Visa:
 - A visa is NOT required for US passport holders, however, if you are not a U.S. Citizen, please visit the following website to see if you are required to have a Thailand Visa before entering the country:
<http://www.consular.go.th/main/contents/filemanager/VISA/Visa%20on%20Arrival/VOA.pdf>.
- Vaccines
 - There are no vaccines required to travel to Thailand, however, the CDC and WHO recommend for you be up to date on routine vaccines before any trip. It is recommended to get the following vaccines: hepatitis A, typhoid, and measles. For more information, visit
<https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/traveler/none/thailand>.
- Discipline
 - We ask every participant to sign a contract before coming on this trip. In signing this contract, the participant agrees to fully participate in the week and follow the guidelines put in place by the leaders. If a situation arises where the contract is broken, the participant will be transported home immediately at the expense of his or hers. We sincerely hope that such a problem never occurs.

Whom Do I Contact For More Information?

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