



(Round trip airfare not included. To be to be offered separately September 2017)

This week-long trip is a hands-on experience in polio eradication, community service, friendships and learning how to support the Rotary projects of West Africa.

We plan to participate in a polio eradication exercise. This day will be a landmark event in your Rotary experience. It also may be your last chance to give two drops of the polio vaccine to a child.

We work at local project sites, supported by local Rotary clubs and the Rotary Foundation, in hands-on community service projects. It will be a day of accomplishment and satisfaction.

We attend The West Africa Project Fair, which showcases Rotary projects from 15 West African nations. It will be a time to learn, experience and see how you and your club can be a part of "Doing Good" in Africa.



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#### West Africa Project Fair, Humanitarian and Community Health Program

#### 8 Days – Only \$1,689—Add \$575 for a Single Room Based on Per Person, Double Occupancy • Land Only

#### Itinerary

#### Tue., Oct., 03 - Depart North America

Wed., Oct. 04 - Arrive in Accra: Evening arrival in Accra, Ghana. Hotel transfer provided for group members on specified flights. First-class accommodations at the La-Palm Royal Beach Hotel, which includes daily breakfasts and internet.

**Thu., Oct. 05 – Accra:** Morning tour of Accra, including Independence Square, Christiansborg Castle, Ussher Fort, Franklin House, Jamestown and Kwame Nkrumah Memorial Park . Lunch is provided. Afternoon visit to the U.S. Embassy for a briefing. This evening, we attend a welcome reception/orientation at the hotel. Thereafter, the evening is free for rest and individual enjoyment.

**Fri., Oct. 06 - Polio Immunizations/Community Health Program:** We join with the local Rotarians who will take us into Accra's communities in to distribute polio and Guinea-worm vaccines, etc., it is both an emotional and enlightening experience as you connect with the children of Africa. This evening, the District Governor will host us in special dinner event.



**CHARKY RATONA / CAMAYENNE** 36 Sat., Oct. 07 - West Africa Project Fair: Today, we attend the Fair and engage with Rotarians from 15 West African nations. Events include the Opening Ceremony, Rotary Foundation seminars to learn how to support and engage club projects. Lunch is provided. This evening, we will be guests in the home of local Rotarians.

**Sun., Oct. 08 - West Africa Project Fair:** We visit the Project Fair booths to learn about the projects of the West African clubs and discover how to join them in addressing their humanitarians needs. Lunch is included. Tonight, we enjoy a special closing dinner and entertainment event.

**Mon., Oct. 09 - Community Service/Humanitarian Day:** We join with local clubs to create friendships and be exposed to the community service and humanitarian programs of the Accra Rotary clubs. We expect to engage in a hands on project with many of the clubs. Lunch provided by local Rotarians.

**Tue., Oct. 10 - Cape Coast/Elmina Slave Castle:** All day sightseeing along the coast of Ghana en route to visit the Cape Coast Castle a UNESCO World Heritage Monument. This castle housed slaves before they boarded ships to new world. A special beachfront lunch provided. Evening free.

Wed., Oct. 11 - Accra/Last Minute Shopping/Depart for Home: This morning, we will provide an opportunity for last minute shopping, rest and free time to connect with the local Rotarians. Evening flight from Accra back to North America.



Thu., Oct. 12. – Arrive in North America.

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Founded in 1948, Howard Tours has been operating tour programs worldwide for over six decades. Thousands of Rotarians have joined us to participate in polio eradication campaigns, wheelchair deliveries, humanitarian missions, and played a critical role in the creation of the West Africa Project Fair by providing an easy, comprehensive travel program for North American participants. Over 600 people from North America have traveled with us to prior Fairs.

## **Rotarian Purpose**

The West Africa Project Fair (WAPF) was Rotary's first humanitarian project fair in Africa, and is a part of Rotary's Reach Out to Africa initiative. It was created by Rotarians from 15 West African nations to facilitate partnerships and projects that will make a significant contribution to the needs of this continent.

By joining this program, you will work with the local Rotarians to understand how important Rotary is to their communities. You will also have the opportunity to select and support Rotary Foundation projects during the Fair, engage in field work in the local communities, create strong friendships with the West African Rotarians, and participate in hands-on humanitarian and health related field work.



Polio Immunization, Hands-on Work Project, and West Africa Project Fair:

The Ghana National Polio Plus Committee has told us that they will conduct a Sub-National Immunization program in the greater Accra during our stay. Our members will go into the local communities to give two drops of the polio vaccine to save the lives of the children.

The Ghanaian Rotarians are planning a day of activities in their local communities so that our member will be able to engage in a hands on humanitarian project. Our group will have the chance to visit a number of humanitarian project sites to witness the work of Rotary and The Rotary Foundation. During these activities, you will have extraordinary experiences, develop a unique insight into the life and challenges in Africa, and be in the safety and care of local Rotarians.

## Passport, Visa and Health Requirements:

All U.S. citizens are required to have a valid passport and Ghana visa. The cost of obtaining your passport, visa and inoculations are not included in the tour price. It is your responsibility to apply and pay for the following items:

U.S. Passport: Must be valid at least six months after your scheduled return to the U.S.

<u>Ghana Visa for all U.S. citizens</u>: An application and information on applying for the visa will be sent to you with your trip confirmation materials. Allow four weeks to process the visa application.

<u>Required Inoculations</u>: The Center for Disease Control (http://www.cdc.gov) states that a yellow fever inoculation is required. They also recommend that U.S. citizens take precautions against malaria and other diseases. Please consult your physician to determine precautions appropriate for you.

**Special Airfare Note:** Tour price does NOT include round trip airfare. This tour is offered to Rotarians throughout the U.S., making it impossible to anticipate and include the necessary flight itineraries in our tour price. In Aug/Sep, after our group has formed, we will offer all North American members the most appropriate flight options. Alternatively, you are free to purchase your round trip airfare or use frequent flyer mileage.





# To Sign Up or for questions please contact:

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