

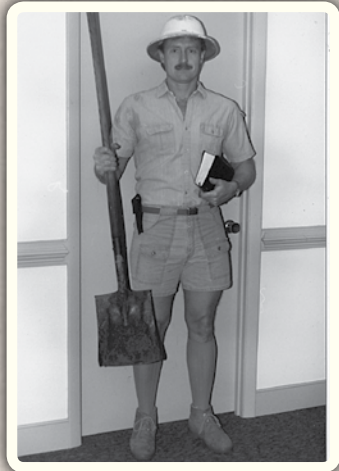
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Guatemala Medical Team in Las Lisas, Guatemala

It's Time to Pack-and-Go!



I'm a fairly well educated 'ole preacher boy. Over the years I have managed to collect a few degrees from reputable universities and seminaries—yada, yada, yada. But of all the "institutions of learning" which have helped to shape my thinking, none has had as powerful an influence and impact on my life than the WEAG School of Pack-and-Go! Yep! I'm talking about WEAG's great tradition of sending our people all over the world as members of short-term mission teams.

So here's how it works: 1) WEAGers, just like yourselves, decide to use their resources of talents and time to impact people in some other

part of the world. 2) A team is formed and commissioned for short-term ministry in the target area where the project will take place. 3) Throughout the project, team members are given an accelerated "world class" education which is guaranteed to enhance their knowledge, spiritual health and understanding of God's kingdom. 4) Team members return home with a deep satisfaction that they have been a part of something of eternal value.

I enrolled in WEAG's School of Pack-and-Go back in 1979 as part of a life-changing experience with a WEAG team in the Dominican Republic. Thirty-two years later I'm still going, still learning, still studying under the tutelage of incredible instructors who teach in "classrooms without walls" located in Central America, Africa, Europe—wherever there are people with needs!

So what do you think? Can you picture yourself in the WEAG School of Pack-and-Go? Why not consider enrolling right now! The 2012 "curriculum" is laid out for you on the remaining pages of this National WEAGraphic. SELECT the project that God lays on your heart, then PACK and GO!



Pastor John

Short-term Projects

Short-term projects are about serving others, working with career missionaries and getting to connect with new friends. Read ahead and find a project that fits your calendar, your resources and your schedule. Don't forget to pray for these trips and projects throughout the year.

Mothers Of Young Children Toy & Clothing Sales March 17 & September 22, 2012

Check out www.weagmoyc.org for up-to-date information on these sales and how you can help. They're great ways to buy reasonably priced toys and children's clothes, books and DVDs, as well as maternity wear. Proceeds benefit the consignors as well as our missionary families and other worthy ministries.



Stop Hunger Now Meal Packing Saturday, February 25, 2012 Cost: A donation to help with shipping

Come and help us pack 14,000 high protein, rice and soy meals in two hours. These dehydrated meals will be packaged in the WEAG gym and then sent to Orissa, India through Gospel For India. GFI will distribute the food as needed to impoverished villagers in northern India. Visit www.stophungernow.org for more info on this organization. Space is limited to the first 100 people – sign up at cj@weag.org



Camp WEAG Dates: 3/23 & 3/24, 6/8 & 6/9, 10/5 & 10/6 Cost: \$0

What could be better than sharing work projects, a walk by the lake and having lunch while meeting new friends? And all of it will be away from the hustle and bustle of the west end of Richmond! We will have a variety of clean-up and renovation projects – both inside and outside at this rustic WEAG campground in Amelia county. Come for a few hours or both days – we will work around your schedule – and the cost is free!



Short-term Projects and Service Opportunities

Operation Hope **March 30, 7-9 pm** **July 27, 2-4 pm** **November 16, 7-9 pm**

Bring a friend and something from our Operation Hope packing list on any or all of these dates as we remind our deployed men and women we love them. Contact jill@weag.org to add your deployed loved one to our list for prayer and a package. Pick up current packing info at any info center or online.



Care to Share

Toys and books, DVDs, stuffed animals, games, puzzles and legos – have your children outgrown them? By leaving gently used, clean, workable toys in the mission's bins, you help us give Christmas to an impoverished child. Volunteers are also needed to wrap, sort and prepare gifts in time for Christmas 2012. Contact Jen Funk at 270-3110 or jen.funk@verizon.net for details.



Friends of The Homeless

Join our weekly rotation of cooks, servers, or FOH friends offering food and words of encouragement to the inner city homeless. Hosted by Greater Mt. Moriah Baptist Church, some prepare lunch, some distribute clothing, while others serve a meal. Contact jill@weag.org for info on a Thursday rotation or Pam Woltz at ppwoltz@verizon.net for Wednesday rotation info.



Churches Around Richmond Involved To Assure Shelter (CARITAS) • June 16 -30, 2012

We need your help as we host two back-to-back weeks of single, female adults at WEAG. Your help is needed to provide meals, entertainment, laundry services and care. Sign-ups begin in May or email Jill now at jill@weag.org



The Annual Missions Auction

Your donation of new items or services will be auctioned off to raise funds for our short-term projects in 2013. Join us for dinner, bring a friend, and plan now what you can give, how you can help and how much you can spend to raise money for construction, evangelism and medical supplies. Contact cj@weag.org for questions or to help.



Music and Fine Arts Productions • August 2012

It's almost time to change the sanctuary into Bethlehem for The Master's Plan at Easter. And before you know it, we will be talking about building sets for Glorious Christmas Nights in December. If you'd like to be a part of the technical, lighting, stage, or art crew responsible for helping transform the WEAG sanctuary into a Hebrew village contact Shirley at Shirley@weag.org



Thanks to our Music and Fine Arts Department for the gift of \$35,000 this year for project supplies. Ticket proceeds from Glorious Christmas Nights make it possible for WEAG missions to purchase building, evangelism and medical supplies for each of the trips listed in this book!

Don't miss any of these opportunities to help those less fortunate and get to meet some new friends. Or sign up as a small group and spend a few hours helping make these service projects a success.

Haiti

Construction

Dates: March 3-11, 2012

Cost: \$1325 (based on airfare)

Team Size: 14

Deposit: \$400

We will be back working and staying with David and Judy Heady at the Global Outreach compound outside of Port-au-Prince. Work hours will be spent on a variety of construction projects within the compound and possibly at the Tityan Church. It's going to be HOT and HUMID under the tropical sun. Make certain you are ready for the climate and these challenging conditions for this rewarding project.



Brazil

Women's Ministry Evangelism

Dates: April 21-29, 2012

Cost: \$2450 (based on airfare)

Team Size: 10

Deposit: \$500

WEAG missionaries Roberto and Rachel Pena will be on site to welcome this fourth Women's Ministry team to Sao Paulo. The team will stay in a local hotel, work out of the Seeds of Hope technical school and in local churches as they teach, share and offer humanitarian aid to those living in the local favelas (slums).



Guatemala

Construction

Dates: March 10-18, 2012

Cost: \$1500 (based on airfare)

Team Size: 14

Deposit: \$400

This year's early season Guatemala trip will be heading south to the area around Las Lisas. We'll build two elevated houses for impoverished families living on the Pacific coast. The team will stay at an outer banks, island hotel – The Caleta Azuel and travel to the job site by boat each day. Pack up your tool bag and sunscreen for this great trip.



Baltimore, Maryland

Men's Ministry Construction

Dates: May 2-6, 2012

Cost: \$85

Team Size: 15

Deposit: \$25

Pack up your sleeping gear and fill up the gas tank – we're driving to Highland A/G in Baltimore. Team members will be assisting this urban church with their renovation projects. The team will stay at the church, sleeping dormitory style in classrooms. There will also be opportunities to work with church members and learn about their vision for the community.



Louisiana

Eighteen 22 Construction and Evangelism

Dates: June 2012

Cost: \$650

(based on airfare & fundraisers)

Team Size: 14

Deposit: \$150



We're heading back to work with All Nations Fellowship in New Orleans and with newly appointed home missionary, Zac Povec. Team members will stay dormitory style in church classrooms. Most meals are provided on site. This will be our 4th trip to work at this growing, multi-ethnic, young congregation. The team will continue the church's construction renovation and spend some time working with local ministry opportunities.

Germany

Worship & Evangelism

Dates: July 6-16, 2012

Cost: \$1975 *(based on airfare)*

Team Size: 15

Deposit: \$500



The Eckstien Church and Dohna school systems are looking forward to having another WEAG worship team. The group will host concerts in public schools, as well as the church, build relationships within the community and possibly do some light renovation work on the castle. Meals will be eaten in guest homes, the church and at local restaurants.

Brazil Youth

Construction and Evangelism

Dates: approximately July 20-29, 2012

Cost: \$1750 *(based on airfare)*

Team Size: 25

Deposit: \$500



The youth are heading back to Sao Paulo, Brazil to work at a new job site with Roberto and Rachel Pena. Team members will stay at the Seeds of Hope school – dormitory style. Everyone will have plenty to keep them busy as they help get this new building project off to a great start. So pack your work gloves and concrete tools! There will also be some time for sightseeing, visiting old friends and ministry with the children in the neighborhood.

Bahamas Family Life

Vacation Bible School

Dates: July 7-15, 2012

Cost: \$1,000

Team Size: 14

Deposit: \$350

Minimum Age: 10 years old



Join Lisa Eggert and missionaries Rueben and Deborah Smith as Vacation Bible School comes alive on Long Island. Team members will stay dormitory style at the Maritime Ministry Guest House and prepare most of their own meals in the guest house kitchen. This VBS has become a highlight of the summer for the youth of Salt Pond, Bahamas.

Turkey

Light Construction and Evangelism

Dates: Summer 2012

Cost: \$2200 *(based on airfare)*

Team Size: 12

Deposit: \$500

WEAG Missionaries Peyton and Clover Harris will host this first team to their new field assignment in Istanbul, Turkey. They are planting an International, Pentecostal church on the European side of Istanbul to reach the local Turkish population, while serving the Expatriate community.

This team will concentrate on building relationships through visits, prayer walks and socials. We will also focus on strengthening ties to local congregations by sharing in service projects.



Chile

Medical and Dental Clinics

Dates: October 19-28, 2012

Cost: \$1800

Team Size: 14

Deposit: \$500

We're taking our first medical/dental

team to Chile to work in the villages outside of Pichilemu.

YWAM missionaries Dale and Kathy Mast will be our hosts for this project at this local Youth With a Mission base. The team will hold clinics in outlying villages impacted by last summer's earthquake. Most people work in the vast agricultural industry and have limited resources to pay for medical and dental care. Medical & dental professionals are needed to offer optimum care in challenging conditions. A limited number of general helpers are needed also, but these positions are not guaranteed until all skilled roles are filled.



Bolivia

Construction

Dates: August 3-12, 2012

Cost: \$1700 *(based on airfare)*

Team Size: 14

Deposit: \$500

The Santa Cruz Youth With a Mission base is growing – with students, faculty and buildings. This year we will continue the work on the student's dormitory – laying blocks and continuing the progress on the building. The team will stay at a local hotel down the street, have time to get to know and work with the staff and students and visit Project Restoration – a street kids ministry.



Kenya

Leadership Growth and Evangelism

Dates: Late October 2012

Cost: \$2500 *(based on airfare)*

Team Size: 10

Deposit: \$500

This team will be partnering with

Brent Hanson in Nairobi, Kenya. Our project won't focus on the typical African construction project, but on investing, teaching and building Christian leadership and life skill principles in the future of Kenya's college graduates. The team will stay in a local hotel and have meals both on and off campus with students. The focus will be on getting to know and develop a relationship with students as we identify the challenges they face each day. Free time will be spent hiking, rappelling into caves and exploring the mountains outside the city with Brent's students.



Costa Rica

THIS ONE IS FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS ONLY

Light Construction, Teaching and Evangelism

Dates: November 10 – 18, 2012

Cost: \$1500

Team Size: 12

Deposit: \$500

The girls and teachers of Chicas de Promesa (Girls of Promise) are looking forward to having another WEAG team with them in San Jose. Through crafts, lessons, one on one discussions, dress up times, laughter and tears – relationships are being formed and trust learned. Join our ladies as they invest a little more of themselves in these fifth and sixth grade troubled girls. The team will stay in a local hotel with meals prepared at the school, hotel and local restaurants.



India

Painting, Bible College & Children's Ministry

Dates: November 2012

Cost: \$2200 (based on airfare)

Team Size: 10

Deposit: \$500

Ministry opportunities abound for this team. Both orphans and Bible College students live on the campus of Gospel For India. Our host Abraham Varghese and the staff of GFI are looking forward to this multi-purpose team. We'll be staying at the school, teaching, painting, working with the children, and making some needed renovations to the children's rooms. Come with us and get to know these special people that continue to tug at our hearts.



Collector's Corner

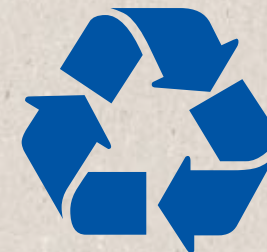
Throughout the year, we collect, use and distribute items for our department, teams and local ministries. If you have access to these needed items, please drop them at any Missions Department bins located at either end of the building.

- Wheeled luggage (used or new), reading, prescription, or sunglasses, travel size hygiene items – we collect these all year long!
- New backpacks and new school supplies – collected June through August 1st.
- Winter coats, hats, scarves, gloves and mittens – collected September through December.
- Help a WEAG or local family with the gift of a nutritious meal. The Love Cupboard and Missions Freezer share canned goods and frozen entrees throughout the year and especially around the holidays. Food donations can be left in the South Hall kitchen.



Recycle with WEAG Missions

We're collecting aluminum beverage cans for WEAG missions. Begin saving your empty beverage cans (no tin cans please) and drop them in any of the designated recycling bins in the WEAG Fellowship Hall, kitchen, mission room or our outside parking lot recycle trailer. Your cans will be traded in and funds will help defray trip costs for our Eighteen 22 Louisiana and other 2012 teams.



Stay Connected

Our WEAGraphic is a great way to find out what we plan for in missions this year. But don't forget these other great information resources to keep you informed on a daily basis.



The Weekly

Read through your church bulletin each week, especially the **outreach section** in the back.



News From The Frontline

Seasonal information, new projects and mission highlights – watch for our quarterly newsletter to be distributed in a Sunday service or online.



E bulletin board

This online link connects those with services and items to those with needs. Visit www.weag.org/resources if you need help or can benefit from this WEAG link.



Facebook

Become a fan of WEAG Missions. See what's happening, view our photos, or sign up to volunteer throughout the year.



www.weag.org

Visit us online for a complete look at all current events in WEAG Missions.

We can also be reached at **740.7042** or at www.weag.org/missions for any mission questions.

Pick up your team application online or at the WEAG info centers.

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We have a mission mandate from Jesus:

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I will be with you always, to the very end of the age (Matthew 28:19 -20).



Brazil Women's Conference



Buddy Pillows in Costa Rica



Friends in Costa Rica



VBS in Bahamas



Ethiopian Day Hike

Short Term Projects

allow all generations working together to reach the world for Christ.



Germany Team



CARITAS

Projects allow each of us to receive a better understanding of the calling of career missionaries as we work together.

Teams assist missionaries and nationals with needed projects that leave each of us with a feeling of usefulness and accomplishment.

Projects help establish relationships between team members and between teams and nationals.



Guatemala



NOLA

WEAG STATEMENT OF MISSION

WEAG is committed to the work of the Great Commission, which Christ gave His disciples (Matthew 28:19-20). We believe in practically meeting the physical, social and spiritual needs of the peoples we meet, using project opportunities to share the gospel and "make disciples of the nations."