



VAPOR
MINISTRIES

DISCOVER

Togo

April 5-13, 2025

COST: \$2,000 + Airfare

VaporMinistries.org/trips

LET'S GO!

Trips with Vapor Ministries offer a one-of-a-kind experience designed to connect you more deeply with God, His heart for those in poverty, and Vapor Ministries' role in sacrificially serving others in His name.

Your trip begins with an important time of training and orientation with the Vapor Ministries' team. After the cross-cultural training, you'll embark on a life-changing adventure to our centers in Togo.

You will see firsthand the realities of a third world environment and be able to take part in relevant and effective solutions to a worldwide crisis as you participate in the vision of Vapor Ministries. You will powerfully connect with two different communities in Togo and experience life there in unforgettable ways.

DEADLINES

December 1, 2024

\$500 Deposit

February 1, 2025

Airfare

May 1, 2025

\$1,500 Trip Cost

* Airfare costs will be quoted no later than 6 months before your trip. Cost does not include transportation to or from the training location. All lodging, food, and other costs for the trip are included in the cost above. All monies paid to Vapor Ministries are considered donations and are tax-deductible. See last page regarding cancellation policies.





COME LEARN! COME SEE!

Trip participants come from a wide variety of backgrounds. Some people come with little international travel experience, while others may consider themselves “mission trip junkies.” We thank God for all who seek to participate in His global agenda more actively. There are many amazing, Kingdom-minded entities serving the nations in various ways and with various methods. At Vapor Ministries, we have a very focused mission. In light of our commitment to pursue solely this mission, we feel that it is important to share with you who we are and how that affects Vapor Ministries' trips.

Vapor Ministries establishes sustainable centers for alleviating poverty and multiplying disciples in third-world environments.

You may notice the absence of the word “trips” in the above statement. So... then why do we take trips? Great question!

We take people on trips with Vapor Ministries because, when carried out well, trips can greatly impact people’s lives and ultimately serve to support our overall mission.

In order to stay missionally focused, while providing a powerful international experience, we have identified four major aspects that drive how we conduct our trips:

4 TRIP DRIVERS

1. Spiritual & Personal Development

Vapor Ministries trips are life-transforming. Participants receive personal & spiritual growth materials and experience Biblical teachings every morning. In the afternoons the team debriefs and personal journaling is encourage in the evening. A well-done trip fosters lasting spiritual growth.

2. Awareness & Advocacy Experience

Vapor Ministries trips connect participants with underrepresented people in poverty, offering a glimpse into third-world life. These trips foster understanding and relationships with men, women, and children in impoverished areas. We aim to turn statistics into personal connections, inspiring advocacy upon return.

3. Mission & Vision Participation

Vapor Ministries offers trips for individuals and families to support our mission. Participants engage in hands-on activities under local leaders' guidance that aid our international staff. Whether sharing the gospel, teaching, or building, these contributions have a lasting impact.

4. Cross-Cultural Encounter

Vapor Ministries trips offer rich cultural experiences, allowing participants to immerse in new cultures. Participants engage in local customs, such as bargaining in markets, tasting local cuisine, and worshiping in native languages, participants appreciate Christ's work in all nations.



SECURE YOUR SPOT

1 Trip Application

Request an application at
VaporMinistries.org/trips or
by emailing
trips@vaporministries.org

2 \$500 Deposit

You can pay online at
VaporMinistries.org/trip-payment
or send in a check to:
Vapor Ministries
338 Talladega Springs Rd
Sylacauga, AL 35151



Vapor Ministries handles all trip logistics and guides participants through the application process, ensuring that each Vapor trip goes smoothly and successfully. Please email trips@vaporministries.org if you have any questions, or visit www.vaporministries.org/trips for more trip information. Please note that each trip participant is not considered "confirmed" until we have received a trip application and initial deposit. Vapor Ministries trips can fill up quickly, so please secure your spot early!

FAQ'S

1. What do we do on a Vapor Ministries trip?

At Vapor Ministries, we have a very focused mission. We intentionally schedule and plan each trip to maintain this focus while providing a powerful international experience. All Vapor Ministries' trips start with a time of cross-cultural training and orientation. From there, your team will travel to our center, where you will see and experience Vapor Ministries' work in various ways. As a group, you will experience daily operations at the center, youth and staff discipleship, league practice, work projects, local cuisine, community interaction, and immersion in a different culture. Space has been created in the schedule to build an understanding of the devastating, abject poverty so many people experience daily. We hope that in this process, statistics become names and faces. We pray that advocacy will be a natural byproduct of the time spent with those we serve this week when you return from your trip.

2. Visas

We will secure travel visas for trip guests. We have built the visa into your trip cost.

3. Vaccines/Medications

Vapor Ministries does not require trip participants to receive certain vaccinations to participate in Vapor Trips, and we cannot legally make personal recommendations for trip participants. We do, however, recommend that each participant visit the Center for Disease Control and Prevention's Website to learn about which vaccines and/or medications are recommended for travelers who visit the specific country you will be visiting on your Vapor Trip and that you also discuss the best options for you with your doctor.

4. What if I can't play soccer?

That's okay! Vapor Ministries is much more than sports! You'll have plenty of opportunities to interact with kids in the leagues, encouraging them and getting to know them - and you don't have to be the least bit athletic to do that!

5. Can I fundraise for my trip?

Many people choose to pay for their trip through fundraising efforts. We can provide you with information to help supplement your efforts. Whether you are personally paying for your trip or others are contributing, the same deadlines apply.

FAQ'S

6. Can I meet the child I'm sponsoring through Hasmin's Friends?

If you are visiting the center your child attends, we may be able to schedule a meeting with your child, your child's family, and the Education Coordinator at the center. If you would like more information about the Hasmin's Friends program, please email trips@vaporministries.org for more info.

7. What if Vapor Ministries cancels the trip? What if I need to drop out of a trip?

Please see our Trip Cancellation Policy in this trip packet.

8. What is the dress code for Vapor Ministries trips? Are women expected to wear skirts in the cultures we are visiting?

We do not have a strict dress code, except for asking guests to refrain from wearing spaghetti strap shirts, very short shorts, or t-shirts with inappropriate messages. In the areas where we work, women are not expected to wear only skirts. Some of our female guests find them more comfortable, while some would rather wear longer shorts or pants. You are welcome to pack as you choose. As you prepare for the trip, please keep in mind that you represent yourself and Vapor Ministries and Christ.

9. I would like to bring some items to leave behind at the center. What items are needed, and what procedure do I need to follow?

If you are interested in doing this, please email trips@vaporministries.org for information on what you can bring. If you would like to pack clothes to wear on the trip and leave them at the center, there will be a time on the last day when you can set aside items (both items you wore and items that you didn't wear).

10. I have traveled a lot - do I really need to come to the Cross-Cultural Training?

Just like two families on the same street can have very different cultures within their respective houses, the different locations we work in have different cultures. Cross-cultural training is a very intentional and necessary time for you to get to know your teammates and learn about the culture of the communities you will be visiting and the culture of the Vapor Ministries' centers.

TRIP CANCELATION

Guest Initiated Cancellation

If a confirmed guest decides not to go on their trip, regardless of the reason, he or she is not guaranteed any refund. However, Vapor Ministries will do its best to apply any unused funds to a future trip within one year. That guest will be responsible for paying all non-refundable deposits and their share of any pre-arranged group activities such as humanitarian aid items, work projects, group tours, etc. Some airlines will offer a flight credit for canceled flights. If applicable, we will connect you to the appropriate agent to inquire about credits.

Vapor Ministries Initiated Cancellation

Lack of Interest

Vapor Ministries secures group rates and plans trips based on a minimum of 12 participants per trip. If a trip reaches three months before launch with fewer than 12 guests, we may have to cancel the trip. If Vapor Ministries cancels a trip due to lack of interest, guests will be reassigned to another trip as soon as possible.

Safety & Security

Vapor Ministries does our best to stay on top of world events, weather forecasts, and security concerns in the areas we serve. While each individual on a team is responsible for making his or her own decision about whether their personal security would be at risk, there may be a time when Vapor Ministries feels that the security of our team is at too great a risk to continue with a trip. Criteria for this decision are available upon request. If Vapor Ministries cancels a trip due to safety concerns, guests will be reassigned to another trip as soon as possible.

