

6 Months to Uganda – Preparation Time Line and Check List

Only immunizations, funding goals, Passport and Entrance Visa are time sensitive, complete other items as convenient
Items Underlined are sections on the web at www.ugandamission.com

Time Line	Need	✓	Comments
Initial decision period	Read through Web Site		www.ugandamission.com (especially <u>Prayer</u> , <u>Travel</u> , <u>Ministry</u> , <u>Health</u> , and <u>Financial</u>)
	Prayer		Commit to personally pray daily for this ministry trip and your part in it
	Discuss health issues of trip with your doctor		Read <u>Health</u> section of web site, make list of questions to discuss with your doctor based on your health history, travel to the third world, and suggested immunizations
	Endorsement		Write letter to the governing body of your local church, explaining what you pray God will do through this trip and prayerfully ask for their endorsement and prayer
6 months before trip	Prayer & Financial Support		Get ACTI endorsement letter and "Securing Support Tips" from Bob Hayes
			Compile mailing list of potential prayer partners and financial supporters and compose a letter requesting prayer and financial support for the trip
	Immunization		Need PHS-731 <i>International Certificate of Vaccination</i> (from Bob Hayes)
			1 st Hepatitis B injection
Airline Reservations		Team leaders handles this, it costs nothing, can be canceled at will, but assures you a seat at best price. (Your full name, address, and phone number are required)	
5 months before trip	Prayer & Financial Support		Mail letters to potential prayer partners and supporters
	Immunization		2 nd Hepatitis B injection
			Measles, Mumps, Rubella (if needed)
	Overseas Health Insurance		Determine via your health insurance carrier if your coverage is valid overseas {1}
	Ministry in Uganda		Write first draft of your personal testimony , "How To" helps under <u>Ministry</u>
		Begin to compile materials for <u>Ministry</u> in Uganda	
4 months before trip	Prayer & Financial Support		Mail thank you notes to those who have responded to previous mailing
			Start list (names & address) of supporters for special mailing 10 days before departure
			First financial objective is \$750
	Immunization		Yellow Fever injection at <i>approved</i> Clinic (probably your local Health Department)
	Personal Items list		Begin with the <u>Travel Check List</u> , add items you need/wish to take with you as they come to mind and begin to gather these items for packing.
	Ministry in Uganda		Prepare <u>Ministry</u> outline {2}
3 months before trip	Prayer & Financial Support		Mail thank you notes to those who have responded since last month
			Continue list of prayer supporters for special mailing 10 days before departure
			Financial objective at this point is \$1,500
	Immunizations		Menignococcal injection
			Tetanus/Dipptheria injection
	Duffle Bags		Get 2 duffle bags (military or sporting style) from a military friend, a sporting goods store or catalog
	US Passport		Complete form DSP-11 at main US Post Office for first time passport, renewal by mail

2 months before trip	Prayer & Financial Support		Continue thank you notes, add to mailing list, write first draft of trip departure letter
			Financial objective is \$2,750 (if not met, send letters to additional potential supporters)
	Immunization		1 st Hepatitis A injection
	Mosquito Netting & Deet		Obtain a mosquito net and Deet (camping supply catalog or an Army/Navy store)
	Benevolent Gifts		Select benevolent gifts to take (children's clothes, medications, Bibles, books, etc) and ask your church to help gather these items) about 100 pounds is your limit
	Cheap "carry on" bag		Discount center, etc. (size and weight limits on web site)
	Walking		Begin walking program that works up to at least 2 miles per day, 4 days per week
30 days before trip	Prayer & Financial Support		Continue thank you notes, add to mailing list, write final draft of trip departure letter
			Trip cost and goal is \$3,500 (send low key reminder to any who pledged to support but have not yet responded, reminding them you are leaving in 30 days)
	Immunizations		2 nd Hepatitis A injection
			Polio IPOL injection
	Purchase Airline Tickets		Team leader handles this (This is the last chance to cancel participation in the trip without significant financial penalty that comes after the tickets are purchased)
Uganda Entrance Visa		Passport sent to Ugandan Embassy in Washington, DC for an Entrance Visa stamp (Bob Hayes will handle this)	
20 days before trip	Prayer		Address and stamp envelopes of prayer supporters, finalize departure letter and daily schedule for the trip, photo copy and stuff envelopes
	Immunizations		3 rd Hepatitis B injection (six months after first injection)
	Pack for trip		Begin packing for trip (duffle bags - about 40 pounds for self, 100 pounds for ministry)
10 days before trip	Prayer		Mail departure letter to all who have given financially and/or agreed to pray for the trip. Include a general "Thank You," a daily prayer guide and a ministry schedule (Bob Hayes will provide samples from a past trip and a ministry schedule for this trip)
	Immunizations		Vivotif Berna Oral Capsule (4 pills over 8 days) 1☐ 2☐ 3☐ 4☐
Last 7 days	Prayer		On the last Lord's Day before departure, ask the leadership of your church to gather around you and commission you and this trip with prayer and the laying on of hands
	Immunizations		Gamma Globulin injection (if you did not get the Hepatitis A immunizations)
			Take First Malaria tablet 7 days before departure (if taking Lariam)
Day of Departure	Prayer		Begin the day in the Word and prayer, asking God to use you for His glory
	Immunization		Take Second Malaria table (if taking Lariam)

1. Team leader should make certain each team member has overseas travel protection that include emergency evacuation coverage
2. Everyone takes different abilities with them to Uganda. All should be prepared to share the Gospel and their personal testimony in whatever context they find themselves. Pastor's should have between six and ten presentations ready. Lay men and women will share to their peers and should. Students usually share in schools and with church youth while medical personal will typically be given opportunity to help train medical workers.