Michael M. Smith Ministries

2026 Ghana Mission Trip Timeline

In preparation for the July 2026 Mission Trip to Ghana, please observe the following timeline for documents, payments, and preparatory activities:

| January 15, 2026: Submit Online Participant Information Form. |
| January 31, 2026: Submit NON-REFUNDABLE Trip Fee Deposit of \$200. |
| February 28, 2026: (if applicable) Deadline for applying for new/renewed US Passport valid until at least January 31, 2027. Visit https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/passports.html for details. |
| March 31, 2026: Submit all remaining forms and documentation in Registration Packet, including Conduct Agreement, Indemnification Agreement, and Financial Options. |
| April 30, 2026 Deadline for purchase of airline ticket. (Estimated cost: \$1700) |
| May 11, 2026: Deadline for visa application to be submitted. |
| Visit https://ghanaembassydc.org/visa/ for details. |
| June 30, 2026: Deadline for Yellow Fever immunization or physician-issued exemption. |
| June 30, 2026: Deadline for all other immunizations.

Registration Packet can be submitted digitally to <u>MichaelMSmithMinistries@gmail.com</u>. Hard copies can be given to Michael in person or mailed to:

Michael M. Smith Ministries, 1409 Oak Knoll Court, Virginia Beach, VA 23464

The **Trip Fees** cover your other expenses including ground transportation in Ghana, lodging in Ghana, breakfast at lodging facilities, visit to Cape Coast, admission to Kwame Nkrumah Museum, W.E.B. Dubois Museum, and Elmina/Cape Coast Castle. Trip Fee payments can be made via **CashApp** to **\$MichaelMSmithMin**, via **Venmo** to **@MichaelMSmithMinistries** or send your check/money order payable to **Michael M. Smith Ministries** at the address above. Please write <u>"<Your Name> 2026 Mission Trip"</u> in the memo line. The estimated flight cost is \$1700. It is recommended that your flight be purchased with a credit card for additional protection.

Additional Recommended items for this trip:

- Anti-Malaria Medicine
- Anti-Diarrhea Medicine
- Insect Repellent (at least 20% **DEET**)
- Wash cloths

- Hand sanitizer
- Power Adapter (British/UK plugs)
- Surge Protector
- Travel Snacks