



Touching Athens and the World for Christ

Early Bird Project **Ethiopia**

May 1-9, 2020

School Children Deworming,
Hygiene Education and
Hope For Girls



**Apply
Today!**

Just the Facts . . .

Date: Friday, May 1,
Travel by Church Bus to DFW airport
Fly into Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Saturday, May 9,
Arrive home by same transportation

Cost: Air Fare only
Estimated ticket price—\$1,000
FBCA Mission Budget will pay all in-country costs
(See Steve for details)

Requirements for Participation . . .

- 1st Step:** Tell Steve Akin you are interested as soon as possible, even if you are uncertain.
- 2nd Step:** Print and complete a Short-Term Mission Application or return hardcopy version to the Mission Office. (Forms available from the Mission Office.)
- 3rd Step:** Give a photocopy of the name/photo page of your Passport to Steve Akin, asap
- 4th Step:** Attend and participate in trip training meetings and work days.
- 5th Step:** Remember that our Spiritual preparation is the most important thing we can do. Pray each day for our mission.



Ministry Description . . .

Jim Palmer is a former career IMB Missionary and is currently the Strategic Coordinator for "Ethio" network.

In 2012, he led this group of cooperating churches, including FBCA, into a new program that has tremendously benefitted the children of Ethiopia. Jim named it, "*The Early Bird Project.*"

The World Health Organization (WHO) estimates that at least 400 million children worldwide suffer from abdominal parasites. A common problem associated with world hunger is intestinal worms. They prevent a person's body from absorbing nutrients. In fact, these parasites daily hijack up to 25% percent of the nutrients consumed by already malnourished children.

Each day our team will travel to a different rural school to teach lessons on hygiene, handwashing and safe water practices. While there, our FBCA team will give each child a pill that will guard them against parasites for six months.

Also, at each school, Hope for Girls will be introduced. **Hope for Girls** is a program sponsored by Hope Springs Water that provides feminine hygiene education and sanitary supplies for school age girls. Visit the following web site to learn more about this unique ministry.

<https://www.hopespringswater.org/hopeforgirls>

Our Ministry will include:

- **Traveling from school to school in the rural Tolee District to administer essential medicine to each child**
- **Teach lessons on Health and Sanitation at each school**
- **Work with local pastors and evangelists to share Gospel testimonies and Christian material in each village**

I invite you to give yourself away for the Kingdom of God. If you have questions, please speak to me personally.

Steve Akin, Minister of Missions
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