

To: Grace UMC members

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Subject: VIM Trip to Zimbabwe

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, I am excited to announce that we are finally putting together a VIM, Volunteers in Mission, trip to Zimbabwe Africa to work on the Project Tariro site. The trip is being planned for March 2011. We are not sure of the specific work we will be doing but it will most likely be some type of light construction. I am looking for a team of 8 to 10 persons who will be willing to be away for 10 days.

Each member should be physically able to do light construction and endure a 24 hour non stop travel journey via planes and buses from Nashville to Zimbabwe. Our days will consist not only of work at the sight, but devotions, music, some sightseeing, time with the local PT staff and patients. It will be a life changing experience you will never forget.

The trip will cost in the neighborhood of \$2500 for each person. Each VIM member will need to raise about \$2,000. As a group we will find some creative ways to raise funds and support one another in finding support for our trip.

If you or your family members are concerned about your safety due to the terrain or the social-political situation in Zimbabwe today, it is a valid concern. There are always risk whenever traveling abroad and more so in Zimbabwe today vs. your typical vacation destination. But due to the fact that we will be traveling in the country under the umbrella of Africa University, a United Methodist school located near our work site, you will feel as I did in 2005 very comfortable and most likely never threatened.

If you are interested in being part of the team, email me at jrbnaylor@aol.com or call 444-0202. If you would like to know more about Tariro in general, go to www.ProjectTariro.com . The website will give you a general overview of the project. We will be scheduling a come and see meeting in November to answer questions and start the planning process.