

All Things - Wildfire 2015

26th July - 14th August

Building on the work of 2 summer teams and various other teams visiting the Philippines over the past 2 years, WildFire will be heading out to Philippines to partner with The Kings Lodge Mega Outreach & looking to influence 'all things' for the Kingdom! Jesus entered into the world in a physical body, tangible & meaty. This summer we want to have an affect on all walks of life, all spheres of influence in such a way that the the places we visit will not look the same again.

Our starting place will be modelling what family can look like when infused by the love of God and the power of Holy Spirit and raising the joy level through arts & celebration, but from there we want to express kingdom values into education, business, government, science & technology, media and, of course, the church. We will be aiming to invest time and energy into projects that are catalysts for exponential, long term, change that lead to the discipleship of the nation of the Philippines and, ultimately, all nations!

Local Partners

All that we do in the Philippines will be in partnership with local Youth With A Mission (YWAM) partners led by Rudy & Nits De Guia who have been serving the city of Cagayan de Oro for over 20 years and have discipled thousands of people, many who now serve on various teams in YWAM, the local church and para-church organisations. We are aiming to sow into existing projects run by Rudy & Nits, their teams, or connected churches, this means that we will be able to hit the ground running and that there is already strategy in place for follow up work, ministry and discipleship. In some cases we will be pioneering something new or relaunching something which has previously existed; in these instances the way we operate, in close partnership with many Filipino YWAM staff, volunteers and church members ensure that our work will be easily developed once we leave.

Teams

Whilst the WildFire team is one team there will be smaller teams within the team. We will have teams with different focuses who will undertake different projects during our time in the Philippines. This does not mean that they will not get a taste of everything, but that most of their energy will be directed toward a certain project, meaning they can make a long term impact within that area.

The WildFire team will also have 'family groups' or 'tribes' which act as a place for getting to know people really within a smaller setting and is also the place where needs can be shared and support given. These groups will spend time debriefing each day, praying together and taking part in the team challenges together.



#RaiseTheJoyLevel Team - Community Parties - Baptism - Communion - House to House Ministry

Over the past two years we have seen incredible fruit from the strategy of sending a team to communities in which Megan Outreach teams have been serving for 2 months before WildFire arrive. The WildFire anointing of 'raising the joy' level has been a catalyst for the kingdom at the end of long outreaches and has led to many lives being transformed. This year we will again be using this strategy and leaving the communities with a model of the two powerful kingdom practices that Jesus taught us to do, baptism and communion or 'The Lords Supper'; alongside this we'll be stirring up the party atmosphere that should go with these practices.

Key Spheres of Influence: Celebration, Family, Church

Football Team - Partnering with Glorious Hope and Government (public schools etc)

Football (Soccer) is a growing sport in the Philippines, but is seen as the 'rich person's sport' and it not accessible for the majority of Filipinos despite it requiring little equipment and expense. What the poor majority of the Philippines are in need of is coaching and basic equipment to get started and develop basic skill alongside passion. Given the international push by FIFA to have more nations play football at a competitive level it is reasonable to assume that, in a few years time, football will have become a more established sport in the Philippines and provide a means for increased social mobility, both in sociological standing through playing what is seen a rich persons sport as well as the potential for providing income.

A WildFire team specifically focussed on teaching and establishing Football initiatives, in conjunction with Glorious Hope church, would prove to be a significant investment in the lives of Filipino young people as well as be a great tool for building relationships and sharing the love of God with people being coached and played with. Glorious Hope church have developed a football culture within their congregation and playing/coaching is a mainstay in their mission initiatives, meaning that follow up work from the WildFire team will be easily implemented.

Key Spheres: Education, Celebration



Campus Ministry Team

School Campuses in the Philippines are very responsive to visitors from afar and will happily collapse their time table to receive such guests. Visitors are highly respected and their words are not heeded lightly, especially if they are missionaries; for this reason we have been asked to make school campuses a focus by our local partners in Cagayan De Oro.

A school visit will generally be an hour long and will have two foci, the students and the teachers. One team will present, roughly, a 45 minute programme for the students and then spend some time mingling, ministering and praying with the students. We will also have team who, where possible, who will spend time encouraging the teaching staff in their kingdom mandate of educating and establishing the next generation, this investment will not be a one off but one that ripples out into every class and every year those teachers are in the education system.

Key Spheres of Influence: Education, Celebration

Extra ministry option - Divisoria

Divisoria, is the old city centre region of Cagayan de Oro and is a thriving hub for all walks of life. There are 3 university campuses in close proximity and over 15 higher education establishments; this means that there are always students around, in the park, in the fast food restaurants on on the makeshift skate park. Divisoria also hosts many of the non retail business headquarters in Cagayan meaning there are many people going about their business. As already mentioned there is a skatepark, which has developed on an abandoned bridge project, but there is a whole host of recreation activities going on alongside this including street dance, free running, street massage & fortune telling. Woven into the tapestry of Divisoria is a community of street kids and street families who eat, drink, sleep, earn a living and live off whatever and whoever they can in the Divisorian melting pot.

Our local partners, as well as the youth they disciple, spend a lot of time ministering and investing in this area, particularly during the night time economy. There are long term plans to plant a purpose built drop in centre into Divisoria which will serve the various people who can be found in there on a given day. It is our heart to partner with this existing ministry by adding some kingdom celebration, sport, arts, walk about magic, circus skills as well as healing the sick, feeding the poor and clothing the hungry as well as helping to discern the will of The Lord for the long term strategy.

Key Spheres of Influence: Celebration, Business,



Extra Ministry Option - Mall Gigs and Treasure Hunting

Malls in the Philippines play the same role as the basilicas of old; they exist as cultural centres for, mainly, the elite of society. Most malls will have shops, places to eat, markets (either in or nearby), political statement (often implied rather than explicit) and entertainment. With there being some full time musicians on the them this year, our local partners are in the process of organising a tour of malls for these musicians. Westerners playing music on the stages in the malls will attract attention and probably a decent crowd, this is an excellent opportunity for some 'treasure hunting'. Treasure hunting is a format for practicing the gifts of 'words of knowledge', supernatural healing, 'words of wisdom' and evangelism. A team will ask the lord for some 'clues' to help them find their 'treasure', this could be a name, an item of clothing or even a disease, once a list of clues has been discerned the team will go and look for their treasure and then often have a powerful encounter that leads to the kingdom breaking out.

Key Spheres of Influence: Celebration

Training Days

May 9th - 10am-4pm - Info and training day - YWAM Coventry, 5a Priory Row, Coventry, CV1 5EX

July 3rd -5th - Survival weekend - Moggerhangar Park, Park Road, Moggerhanger, Bedford MK44 3RW

July 23-25th - Final Prep Camp - We'll leave from the prep camp for our flight on 26th July - YWAM The Kings Lodge, Watling Street, Nuneaton, CV10 0TZ



What to bring (20k Check in Baggage limit)

Air travel tickets, Passport, Travel insurance documents (please also email these to Team Leader before the trip)
Photocopy of passport & 2 Passport photos
Underwear
Lightweight waterproof
Shorts and teeshirts (shorts must be a decent length - to the knees or below - NO HOT PANTS)
One piece Swimsuit/Board Shorts (no Bikinis or speedos)
Towel
Appropriate nightwear - please do not just wear underwear as this may cause offence
Suncream
Sun Hat
Sun Glasses
Aftersun cream
Sandals/flip flops
Hard wearing shoes for any hard graft and areas with unsafe floor environment
Low tog Sleeping bag - or sleeping bag liner
Roll mat
Travel pillow
Mosquito net
Mosquito spray (50% DEET or more)
Hand sanitiser
Antiseptic cream
Anti malarial medicine
Smart clothes for Sunday - full length dress for girls, shoulders covered. Shirt and trousers for guys
Toiletries
Camera
Torch
Travel adaptor - Region A/Region 1 (American 2 pin)
Any useful bits and bobs you have such as: Multi-tool, hair bobbles, string, elastic bands (useful for playing games with local kids)

What not to bring

(Make sure your suitcase is under 20kg as this is the limit for internal flights)

Hot pants
Short shorts
Bikinis
Speedos
Lots of accessories
Heavy clothing
Phone, unless you trust yourself not to lose it



Cultural Expectations

It is very important that when we are in the Philippines that we do as the Filipinos do so as not to cause offence and to be most effective in serving. Some of these things may seem odd, but many of the things which we do unthinkingly due to our cultural conditioning seem odd to people not from the western world, such as beckoning someone using hand gestures which is considered rude in most of the world. Here are some things to be mindful of:

Keeping well covered, especially shoulders and upper legs & Dressing well for Sunday church services (A Dress or Shirt and Trousers)

The Filipinos are very tactile so please do not be freaked out if someone hugs you when you first meet them or want to hold your hand, odds are that they are not flirting with you, but please make sure you wait for them to initiate any such contact rather than initiating it yourself.

Filipinos use their eyebrows and lips to communicate a lot, for instance, repeated eyebrow raising is generally a greeting and people will point with their lips rather than point... they probably do not want a kiss! Drinking alcohol and smoking are big social faux pas so please avoid these all together.

Food is very important for Filipinos, please do not interrupt meals and try to make sure Filipinos are well fed when it is in your power to do so. Filipinos will often decline food when they really do want it, the general rule is to offer three times before taking no for an honest answer.

When visiting someones house they will often offer you food, please receive it with gratitude, don't take to much but don't be shy, it is important to accept hospitality; there is no need to be bashful if someone offers to climb a tree to get you a fresh Buko (Coconut) - and oh man are they tasty!

Be mindful that whilst the areas we work in may be dirty that they are likely to be someones home, so please don't use your anti-bacterial hand wash in front of them (unless of course you are about to eat with them in a formal situation) wait until you leave or are no longer in their company.

Filipinos are very people orientated and not very task orientated, this means that things will often be late or not communicated brilliantly, this is an excellent time to grow in grace and to learn the value of people and simply being with them!

Please be swift to react to any advice given by leaders or Filipino brothers or sisters.



Travel arrangements

We hope to depart from London on 26th July but this may change to a day either side or be from a different airport. On arrival in Manila we will spend the night in a hotel before continuing our journey to Cagayan De Oro. Most days we will travel by jeepney (imagine a military jeep where people face inwards on 2 benches in the back). We will always travel in a group of 3 or more and always have an over 18 as well as a Filipino or someone with a lot of experience of working in the Philippines.

Safety

Team safety is of great importance and each day will be structured to ensure that we are always as safe as possible. Please follow all instructions given by team leaders to ensure the safety of the whole team. The Philippines are generally safe for westerners and are well policed with many security staff. Our accommodation is always secure but it is better to keep valuables with you at all times or deposit them in the safe (in our hosts' house).

Accommodation

Most of us will be sleeping in age and gender specific covered areas or rooms where we will build mosquito net and roll mat cities, fortresses, townships, bunkers or whatever else your creativity lends its self to. Families (or individuals) requiring beds in their own room will be provided with these in our hosts' house or in one of the community houses that we will be renting.

Food

We are always well looked after when it comes to food. The Filipinos all seem to be great cooks and we'll have the opportunity to sample many traditional delights. Rice is always on the menu, chicken (best chicken in the world) is usually on the menu and fresh fruit is present at every meal. You may find some of the foods odd and they may not be your favourite but do take the opportunity to try something new and remember that if it's not your favourite it probably is someone else's.

Hurry up and wait

We will always try to run each day smoothly and keep you well informed of what is going on and more often than not you will be involved in the planning process. That said, when working in the Philippines with a number of different cultures, things will not always run smoothly, plans will change and we will be waiting around sometimes. Please always be ready on time, but be willing to wait once you are ready. Times of waiting are a great time to get to know someone better, to pray or to play a practical joke!



Cost

Overall trip cost: **£1700** (approx)

Earlybird rate - available till April 30th when the initial £700 must be paid: **£1500** (approx)

The above are approximate costs including flights (international and domestic). Flights are generally available to us at a reduced rate until the end of April.

The above cost also covers all food, accommodation, local transport, team activities and budget for all our projects.

International flight costs must be paid in advance, the remaining balance can be paid upon arrival in the Philippines. The balance to be paid in the Philippines should be paid in pounds sterling; in £50 or £20 denominations where possible.

We always try to make trips as cheap as possible whilst maximising our long term impact on communities. If money is an issue please do talk to us rather than feel you simply can't come. Please also see our guide to fundraising for international mission trips.

Application Process

All applicants must complete and application form (available at kkiengland.com/downloads) which will be read and considered by the WildFire leadership team. Once applications have been accepted, applicants can then pay the cost of their international flights to YWAM The Kings Lodge (The earlier the better to save the applicants money).

All applicants must also submit to a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check, where applicable, in accordance with YWAM England's Policy for the Protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults. People holding a valid transferable DBS check may use this by providing their Transferable DBS number.



Travel insurance & Immunisations

All successful applicants are required to obtain comprehensive travel insurance to cover the whole period of travel away from home. Successful applicants are also required to visit their GP and arrange any necessary travel immunisations (your GP will advise you as to what is needed) as well as any antimalarials or other travel medication.

Draft Schedule

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Week 1 27th Jul - 2nd Aug	Arrive in Manila	Travel to CDO and settle in - orientation	Ministry orientation and meeting Mega outreach teams	Ministry in and around CDO	Ministry in and around CDO	Ministry in and around CDO	Church and Ministry
Week 2 3rd Aug - 9th Aug	Day Off - Rafting/ Tinago Falls	Ministry in and around CDO	Ministry in and around CDO	Ministry in and around CDO	Ministry in and around CDO	Ministry in and around CDO	Travel to Camiguin
Week 3 10th Aug - 14th Aug	Ministry on Camiguin and fun Adventures	Debrief and Chill on Camiguin	Travel to CDO Final visits to communities/ Goodbyes	Travel to Manila	Travel Back home		



Cagayan De Oro

Cagayan de Oro (Cebuano: Dakbayan sa Cagayan de Oro; Filipino: Lungsod ng Cagayan de Oro) is a highly urbanized and capital city of the province of Misamis Oriental in Mindanao, southern part of the Philippines. It serves as the regional center and business hubs for Northern Mindanao (Region X), and is part of the growing Metropolitan Cagayan de Oro area, which includes the city of El Salvador.

The City of Cagayan de Oro is located along the central coast of northern Mindanao island facing the Macajalar Bay and is bordered by the municipalities of Opol to the west; Tagoloan to the east, and provinces of Bukidnon and Lanao del Norte to the south of city. According to the 2010 Census of Population, the city has a population of 602,088 people,[5] making it the 10th most populous city in the Philippines.

Cagayan de Oro is famous for its whitewater rafting or kayaking adventures, one of the tourism activities being promoted along the Cagayan de Oro River.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cagayan_de_Oro

Camiguin

Camiguin (Tagalog pronunciation: [kami'gin], (Cebuano: Probinsya sa Camiguin, Tagalog: Lalawigan ng Camiguin) is an island province of the Philippines located in the Bohol Sea, about 10 kilometres (6.2 mi) off the northern coast of Mindanao. It is politically part of the Northern Mindanao Region of the country and formerly a part of Misamis Oriental province. Camiguin is the second-smallest in the country both in population and land area after Batanes.[3] Mambajao is the capital of the province and its largest municipality both in area and population.

(Did somebody say White sands, cold springs, hot springs and lush forests?... yes, yes they did)

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Camiguin>



Useful Websites and Contacts

kkiengland.com - The Home of WildFire on the Web

<http://thekingslodge.com/> - The YWAM team from England with which we will be partnered

<http://www.ywam.org/> - Youth With A Mission's international website

<http://www.cost-uk.org/> - Funding for young people wanting to take part in short term overseas mission (can cover part of the cost)

<https://www.facebook.com/WildFireKKiEngland> - WildFire FaceBook Page

