



## Rome Mission Trip Information Sheet

**Dates:** July 31-August 11, 2018 (approximate)

**Cost:** \$2600 includes:  
round trip airfare, lodging and all meals.

**Extra Costs:** Passport (approx. \$135), spending money, food on travel days.

**Location:** **Rome, Italy**  
Rome is the capital of Italy, located in the central western region of the Italian peninsula. Rome is one of the oldest continuously occupied sites in the history of the world, with records of the founding of Rome dating back to 753 B.C., though many say it is much older. Rome is also Biblically significant, with many references to Paul's travels in Rome.

**Our Mission:** While in Rome, we will be serving our partners Brother Rob and May. They lead a network of people who do Business for Transformation, opening and running businesses in some of the hardest places in the world and being a Christian presence in neighborhoods where "missionaries" would not be allowed. These business people and their families will be gathering in Rome for a biannual conference that teaches and cares for these cross-cultural workers. We will be providing a worship team, a prayer team, and a child-care team for the conference. There will also be a couple of days for recreation and seeing some of the amazing sights in Rome before we travel home.

**Questions?** Contact Karen Cann at 313-882-3000 x250 or at [kcann@gracewired.com](mailto:kcann@gracewired.com).

### **Deadlines (Please mark these on your calendar):**

Application, & \$300 non-refundable deposit		January 15, 2018
Payment #2	\$800	March 1
<b>Passport</b>		April 1
Payment #3	\$500	May 1
Final Payment	\$900	June 15

Please make all payments by the date listed as we have payment deadlines from the airlines that we must adhere to. Payments received after the due date will be assessed a \$50 late fee. Please note that payment amounts may be reduced as fundraising money is applied.

### **Your application and non-refundable deposit are due January 15.**

This is an application process. Turning in the application and deposit does not guarantee you a spot on the trip. All applications will be reviewed and in some cases an appointment with you may be requested. You will be notified via phone or email if you are on the team by February 1. If you are not accepted for the team, your deposit will be refunded. Please do not send out support letters until it is confirmed that you are on the team.

### **Passport**

**A passport is required for this trip and is due in no later than April 1.** It takes at least 6 weeks once the passport is ordered to receive it unless you pay an additional \$50-\$100 for a rush order. **Please order your passport as soon as you receive an acceptance phone call!**  
**Passport Cards are NOT accepted.**

### **Medical & Immunizations**

General medical information is asked for in your application.

#### **Immunizations**

The Center for Disease Control does not require any vaccinations to travel to Italy. They suggest travelers be up to date on routine vaccines, and an updated tetanus shot may be required. Hepatitis A & B and Typhoid vaccinations should be discussed with your doctor before the trip is made. More information is available at [cdc.gov](http://cdc.gov) and from your health-care provider.

### **Confidentiality and Sensitive Items**

Because our partners minister to some workers in countries where it is not legal to be a Christian, some of what you will be learning and seeing is confidential and you will be asked not to post photos, names, and other specific information on social media or in emails. You will be required to sign an agreement stating these conditions if you are accepted on the team.

**Team Meetings are MANDATORY.** Any missed meetings should be arranged ahead of time and it should be noted that more than one missed meeting could result in removal from the team. These meetings are crucial to team bonding and focusing on God's heart for the world. Team meeting dates will be announced, but plan for about 6 of them.

### **Fundraising**

We strongly encourage you to prayerfully consider the sacrifices that God is asking you to make to be a part of this team and how much you should contribute of your own money. We will offer a few opportunities for you to raise money for this trip. Some ideas we have include:

- \* Support Letter Writing (required)
- \* Bake Sale
- \* Yard Sale
- \*"Working" the café

Once the team is formed, we will be brainstorming other ideas so that we can raise money and help with the cost.

**NOTE: You are responsible for the cost of the trip. If you have not raised the entire sum needed by each due date, you are still required to make a full payment.** If for any reason your donations come in after a payment is made, you will be reimbursed.