



# Ethiopia

## BUILDING CONNECTIONS

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY'S GLOBAL VILLAGE PROGRAM

### DID YOU KNOW?

Ethiopia is the second most populous African nation.

Ethiopia is rich in gold and copper and is believed to be the birthplace of coffee.

The Afar Region is the "cradle of mankind" due to the many fossils found.

### HABITAT FACTS IN EGYPT

**Families Served to Date**  
3,276 families

**Construction Types**  
The typical HFH Ethiopia house is about 22 square meters wide and consists of two simple rooms and a kitchen. A pit latrine is built behind the houses. Water is collected from a communal supply near the sites.

**Number of Affiliates**  
Bahir Dar, Debre Markos, Desse, Kombolcha, Debre Berhan, Jimma and Nazareth

**Host Months**  
Year Round

**Team Size**  
12-20 members

### Building Together For a Better Future

Substandard housing and poor living conditions are a serious challenge for many Ethiopians, who have little chance of improving their current situations without assistance. Lack of affordable housing prevents many Ethiopians from being able to protect themselves from bad weather and insects, and the negative impact on education, job performance and quality of life is immense. There is a great need for simple, decent and affordable housing in the country. Almost 85% of houses have mud or thatch walls. Only 27% of Ethiopians have access to safe drinking water, and only 10% have access to sanitation facilities.



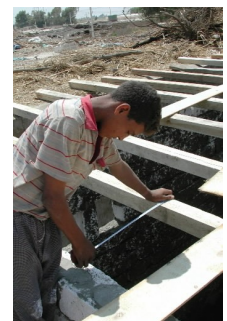
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### The Global Village Program

Join a Global Village team and you can make a difference in the lives of Ethiopian families in need of simple, decent places to live. You might just find your own life changed as well.

#### Why join a Global Village team?

Global Village offers international volunteers the opportunity to take part in "hands-on" construction or renovation of homes in more than 14 countries in Africa and the Middle East. Participating in a Global Village team offers a unique travel experience and an unforgettable chance to be fully immersed in the local community. Team members experience personal growth through cultural and linguistic challenges, and return to their homes transformed.



### What do the volunteers say?

"Just a huge thank you to Habitat for allowing me this experience – Something I will treasure and talk about a lot to others. Everyone should have an opportunity to do this work."

Monique Joubert, December 2009



## Logistics

### HOW TO GET THERE

Most project locations can be reached by international flights to Bole International Airport in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

### TRANSPORTATION

Transportation to and from the HFHE's worksite is a private vehicle with a hired driver. This includes the airport pick-up and drop-off, transport to and from the host project and daily transport to the work site.

### LODGING

GV teams stay in a hotel in Addis Ababa until they leave for the host affiliate. In towns where teams build, HFHE selects standard hotels with clean rooms and baths.

### FOOD AND WATER

Teams will have the opportunity to try traditional Ethiopian dishes during their stay. During build days, team members will be served with food prepared at the hotel. Bottled water will be provided. Please notify the GV coordinator of any special dietary needs prior to arrival.

### SAMPLE ITINERARY

Day 1: Depart for Addis Ababa

Day 2: Arrive in Addis Ababa; greeted at airport by HFH Ethiopia staff; overnight in Addis Ababa

Day 3: Welcome orientation at national office; travel to host project site; welcome orientation with local staff members; dinner with homeowner families

Days 4 to 8: Work from 8:30 am–5:30pm; free time after work to clean up; time for team activities

Day 9: Visit local church; other cultural activities (vary based on host project location)

Days 10-12: Work from 8:30 am–5:30 pm; possible visit to local school for half-day; free time; dinner; time for team activities

Day 13: travel to Addis Ababa; free time; farewell dinner with HFH Ethiopia staff; overnight in Addis Ababa

Day 14: Depart for home

**Join us** in a journey of adventure — discovering joy, purpose, community, hope and life.

**Start making a difference now!**

