



Global Citizen Journey

ENGAGE... BUILDING PEACE, ONE CONNECTION AT A TIME.

Global Citizen Journey joins hearts and hands across continents and boundaries. Our mission is to build understanding, bridge cultural differences and establish lifelong bonds of peace and friendship. In partnership with local hosts, we develop journeys of discovery that bring delegates from the U.S. to share, work and learn with our global neighbors in countries around the world.

Participating in Global Citizen Journey will help you:

- Discover new ways of thinking and living.
- Experience the uniqueness of other cultures as well as your own.
- Develop leadership skills.
- Become a true citizen diplomat.

EXTEND... OPEN HEARTS, OPEN HANDS.

Our destinations are on the road less taken. Global Citizen Journey trips shed light on areas unfamiliar to most Americans, giving voice to people unheard beyond their borders. We work closely with our country hosts to create awareness of critical issues and develop practical, community-based solutions.

As a delegate, you will:

- Live and work with a diverse group of host-country delegates.
- Complete a project chosen by the host community, for example, planting trees, or building houses, libraries or water towers.
- Participate in dynamic workshops on compassionate listening, conflict resolution, diversity, gender and peacemaking.
- Learn about village life, regional issues and national history.
- Meet local dignitaries.
- Share cultural events, recreation, music, holidays and more with your village hosts and fellow delegates.

EXPERIENCE... CHANGING PERSPECTIVE CHANGES THE WORLD.

We have big dreams for Global Citizen Journey that reach beyond the trips themselves. The experience is designed to create grassroots connections – among individuals, communities and organizations – that will continue after the journey and become sustainable networks of global neighborhoods.

Each project begins with collaborative planning between the U.S. and host-country organizing groups, with plenty of learning along the way. Whether you are a delegate, a volunteer or a financial contributor, you will be part of the communities we build.

Businesses, community groups, and religious and social organizations are welcome as sponsors. Your donations provide essential financial support and give a unique return on your investment: a new perspective through the Global Citizen Journey experience.



Grassroots connections. Bridges of peace.

ARE YOU READY TO JOIN HANDS WITH YOUR GLOBAL NEIGHBORS?

Be an ambassador of peace. Join us for meaningful adventure, where you'll experience different cultures, be a grassroots change agent and build friendships around the world.

INAUGURAL JOURNEY

November, 2005: Oporoza, Nigeria, a small Niger Delta village, to build the first library in the region in partnership with Niger Delta Professionals for Development (NIDPRODEV), an NGO that has helped bring peace to this challenged, oil-rich area.

FUTURE JOURNEYS

Summer 2006: GCJ returns to the Niger Delta with NIDPRODEV to build on the healing between rival tribes begun with the 2005 regional library. We will be living and working in the nearby village of the other tribe, completing a second regional project.

Summer, 2007: GCJ will build homes in Burundi (Central Africa) in partnership with Youth in Reconstruction of a World in Destruction (YRWD), a peacemaking organization that brings Tutsis and Hutus together.

Our beginnings are in Africa, but ultimately, our mission is global and will reach all continents. Each journey grows organically, from a personal, grassroots connection – exactly in keeping with the GCJ vision.

INSPIRED? GET INVOLVED!

Join the Global Citizen community. You can make a difference in many ways:

- **Delegates** – Take a life-changing journey with your global neighbors.
- **Volunteers** – Work here in the U.S. to make it happen.
- **Sponsors** – Partner with us to underwrite major costs and bring the journey experience into your organization.
- **Friends** – Support our mission by donating, reading our newsletter and spreading the word.

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