### 2024 Deep Impact Cuba Registration and Payment Information

**Dates:** July 6-13, 2024

**Location:** TBD; potentially Santiago de Cuba or Holguin

Cost of trip: \$1,950 / person

• Covers plane ticket (one personal bag and one carry-on bag), in-country transportation, lodging, food (while in Cuba), insurance, DI shirt, and visas.

#### Cost does not cover:

- Checked luggage fees (usually \$35-\$50 for the first bag up to 50lbs; over-weight and additional bags will cost more)
  - We will ask each person to brings specific items with them for the trip to place in their checked bag.
  - We may ask your team members to check an additional Deep Impact bag.
    - These bags will include supplies and items needed for our mission projects.
    - DI will cover the cost of these bags; churches are welcome to cover the cost these bags if they wish to do so.
- Friday-Free Day Activity:
  - We will take the Friday of the trip to tour the area of Cuba we have been serving, shop for souvenirs, visit historic sites and possibly go to the beach.
  - o The specifics and cost of the activity are TBD.

## **Group Registration:**

- This step must be completed first in order to register your group and group size for the trip.
- ONLY the main group leader needs to register their group for the trip.
- Register at https://baptistsonmission.org/di
  - Include the total number of people from your church going to Cuba.
  - \$250 deposit/person is due 2 weeks after registering your group.
- After you register your group, you will be assigned a **DI Cuba Group Number** exclusive to your group.
- We will email you instructions to share with each member of your group so they can individually register themselves for the trip.

### **Individual Registration:**

 Once you receive your assigned DI Cuba Group Number and individual registration instructions for your group, please share this with your group members.

## EVERY PERSON from your group must individually register for the trip!!

- We use this information to purchase plane tickets, insurance, apply for visas, and ensure everyone on the trip has a valid passport.
- In order to complete individual registration, each person must submit their valid passport information.
  - Even if someone is waiting on their passport, have them complete the application leaving the passport information blank.
  - Once their passport arrives, have them login to their account and enter their passport information as soon as possible.
- o Enter Full Name as it appears (or will appear) on their passport.

## • Individual Registration Deadline:

 All members from your group must have their Individual Registration completed by Friday, March 15, 2024.

Passports: Please make sure everyone signs their passport!!!

We will require a scanned copy of each person's passport to apply for religious visas. It is easier for each group leader to scan a copy of the passports and then email them to our office as soon as possible so we can have them on file.

## **Current Passport Holders**

- If they currently have a valid passport, please make it doesn't expire prior to **January 15, 2025**.
- Individuals will not be able to leave the US nor enter Cuba if their passport expires prior to 6 months after our return home from the trip.

## Is someone applying for a passport?

- There is a backlog of applications for passports and wait times are up to several months, if not longer. Please stress not to wait to submit their passport application.
- Plan accordingly to ensure their passport is in hand prior to Friday, March 15, 2024.
- Once they receive their passport, they should immediately login to their BOM account and add their passport information to their profile to complete their application.
- Make sure the group leader scans and emails the passport copy to our office.

### Payments:

- Each church is free to set up whatever payment installments that works best for their group to ensure the church makes their payments to Baptists On Mission according to the Deep Impact payment schedule.
- Deep Impact has hard dates by which a portion of the balance for your group must be paid to Baptists On Mission. See Payment Due Dates below.
- Individual members should make all payments to the church and then the church make one payment to Baptists On Mission.
  - The group leader is responsible for keeping track of the individual payments and balances for their group.
  - Please DO NOT have anyone make payments directly to BOM as we only track group payments.
- Checks should be made out to **Baptists On Mission** and include **Deep Impact Cuba** in the memo section.
- Payments should be mailed to:

Baptists On Mission Attn: Deep Impact Cuba PO Box 1107 Cary, NC 27512

# Payment Due Dates:

Deposit: \$250 per person due 2 weeks after team registration.

\*\*Payment 1: \$850 per person due by Friday, March 15, 2024.

• \*\*Payment 2: \$850 per person due by Friday, May 17, 2024.

\*\* You may make payments at any time prior to the due date but please make sure all payments arrive in our office by the due date.

### **Changes to Group Numbers and Payment Policies:**

- You may decrease your numbers prior to Friday, March 15, 2024 without penalty.
  - Note: All payments are non-refundable but are transferable to the overall group balance up to Friday, March 15, 2024.
- After Friday, March 15, 2024:
  - If your numbers decrease after Friday, March 15, 2024, all payments are non-refundable AND non-transferrable.
  - Airline tickets will be purchased and the application for religious visas will be submitted. These are non-transferrable since they are in the name of individual team member.
  - Groups are responsible for covering the full cost of the airline tickets and visas for any team member who drops from the trip after Friday, March 15, 2024 and prior to Friday, May 17, 2024.
- After Friday, May 17, 2024:
  - If your numbers decrease after Friday, May 17, 2024, all payments are non-refundable and non-transferrable.
  - Your group is responsible for the full-cost of the trip for anyone from your team who drops from the trip after Friday, May 17, 2024.