

UK Vision Trip

with RUF at Washington & Lee

May 31-June 7, 2025

*Experience London, Oxford, and Edinburgh.
Expand your vision for God's mission at
Washington & Lee and beyond.*



Info Packet

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The Purpose of our UK Vision Trip

While I was a college student, God powerfully used international travel (to Nepal and Ecuador) and experience with different ministries there to give me a more kingdom shaped vision for His work in our world. Those experiences made me more hopeful, purposeful, and joyful, and led me to expect great things from God on the campus of Eastern Kentucky University. He works through experiences like this to help us see the world as he does - and that changes us forever!

I want you to prayerfully consider coming on this trip with me. I've designed it with you, the student leaders of RUF at Washington & Lee, in mind, and the trip is only open to current Servant Team members. I want to experience the beautiful scenery, fascinating history, vibrant cities, and compelling stories of Scotland and England with you, and come back to Washington & Lee with a larger shared imagination for how God might use us at Dubyuhnell.

Come with me!

Under the Mercy,
Willis

Trip Overview

- May 31 - Fly from DC to Edinburgh, Scotland
- June 1 - Day hike (to a [castle?](#)), Solo experience, enjoy local cuisine
- June 2- Tour [Edinburgh University](#) with a local campus ministry leader, train to London
- June 3 - [Christian Heritage Tour](#) of London
- June 4 - Half day free to explore London, half day with local [Serge](#) missionary in London's most international neighborhood
- June 5 - Visit [L'Abri](#), Oxford, and the Eagle and Child Pub where C.S. Lewis, J.R.R Tolkien, and the Inklings gathered
- June 6 - Boat tour of London on the Thames, trip debrief, feast on [Curry](#)
- June 7 - Fly from London to DC

Map



How to Sign Up and Cost

Cost

Each student/their parents pay: \$100

Willis fundraises from donors: \$1000 for each student

Each student fundraises from donors: remaining \$1850

Total trip cost per student: **\$2950**

All donations (and your deposit) will be received by the RUF W&L Missions account, preferably through our online [giving portal](#).

Trip cost includes airfare, (including one checked bag of luggage); all food, lodging, and transportation in the UK; and all group tours and activities.

Trip cost does not include transportation to and from the DC airport, souvenirs, or any paid activities students may want to enjoy during free time. Suggested spending cash: \$100-\$200.

How to Sign Up

You can sign up [HERE](#) and reserve your spot by paying the non-refundable \$100 deposit on the [giving portal](#).

Pre-Trip Training Outline

By signing up, you commit to attend three pre-trip training sessions. We'll have one in November and two in the Spring. Training sessions will be scheduled in coordination with all trip participants, based on your availability. These trainings will undergird our trip with prayer, and will equip you to fundraise and give you a Biblical framework for ministry and this trip.

Session 1: Trip Q+A, and how and why to fundraise

Session 2: Biblical theology of ministry and vision trips

Session 3: Pre-trip prayer and praise

Packing List

- Current, unexpired passport
- Full sized suitcase
- Small carry on backpack, appropriate for day hikes/city touring
- Rain coat
- Warm layer sweatshirt, fleece, or similar
- Long pants suitable for hiking
- 3-4 sets of clothes - we may not have easy access to laundry facilities
- Hiking shoes
- Walking-around-the-city shoes
- One set of “nice” clothes suitable for church
- Swim wear (for the brave who want to join Willis for cold plunges!)

(Clothing Note - the weather is variable - pack for rain, cold, *and* sunny weather)

- Water bottle
- Small Bible
- Notebook and pen/pencil
- Toiletries
- Personal medications
- Phone charging cord
- Earplugs (you will be sharing rooms with someone of the same gender)

(Note - Willis will bring some Type-G Converters for the group)

- Spending money in a wallet/small purse

Daily Outline

Obviously each day's schedule will vary a great deal, but we'll build in some rhythms that will help us connect with each other and the Lord to absorb what we're experiencing.

- Morning: Group pow-wow and devotional. We'll read and discuss a passage, go over the days' activities, and pray for each other.
- Morning activity
- Lunch (sometimes on your own/with a friend, sometimes as a group)
- Afternoon activity
- Group dinner together
- Evening: Group gathering - share highs and lows and how we saw God at work, sing a few songs, and overview the next day.

Oxford



Edinburgh





London





Scottish Countryside

