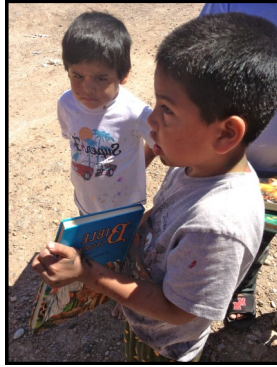


# Touching Athens and the World for Christ

# Optical Clinic Mission to Harlingen, Texas June 8-10, 2023



*FBCA partners with the  
Hearts 4 Kids  
Harlingen, Texas*



# Just the Facts . . .

**Date:** Thursday-Saturday, June 8-10, 2023  
Thursday, June 8, ground travelers will depart FBCA @ 7:30 a.m. from the ROC  
Thursday afternoon, June 8, people choosing to fly will depart Love Field in Dallas, TBS  
Housing will be in a local hotel  
Friday, June 9, Clinic #1, exact time and locations TBS  
Saturday, June 10, Clinic #2, same as above  
Saturday afternoon, flyers to airport to catch the 4:30 SWA flight, ground travelers begin the journey to Athens with overnight stop TBS along the way.

**Cost:** Shared Hotel Room for two nights  
Some Meals  
Airfare if flying  
(More details available upon request)

# Requirements for Participation . . .

- 1st Step:** Tell Steve you are interested as soon as possible, even if you are uncertain.
- 2nd Step:** If you have never filled out a mission application form for a previous mission trip, please complete a [Short-Term Mission Application Form](#) at FBCA website or return a hardcopy version to the Mission Office. (Forms available from the mission office.)
- 3rd Step:** Remember that our Spiritual preparation is the most important thing we can do. Pray each day for our mission.

# Ministry Description . . .

God has blessed FBC Athens with the ability to minister in a way that few churches can. With our fully equipped optical clinic we can travel to any place in the world and examine, prescribe and produce quality prescription eyeglasses! This ministry has served in China, Mexico, Morocco, Nicaragua and Ethiopia as well as at mission sites in the state of Texas.

In Harlingen, Jorge Zapata leads a ministry called Hearts 4 Kids. This is a holistic Christian ministry that begins new churches along the border, helps families in crisis and ministers to the special needs of children.

## Our Ministry will include:

- Administering acuity and instrumental optical exams
- Distributing reading glasses
- Producing prescription eyeglasses on site as needed
- Working with local pastors to connect people of the community to the neighborhood church
- Looking for opportunities to share Christ



This will be a quick trip with lots of good fellowship. I invite you to come give yourself away for the Kingdom of God.  
If you have questions, please speak to me personally.

Sincerely,  
Steve Akin, Minister of Missions  
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