Join other Christian adventure seekers for the expedition of a lifetime. Summit Mount Kilimanjaro, the highest peak in Africa, and provide clean water to an entire village.

The Machame (mah-cha-may) 7-day climb begins in the rainforest with hilly terrain and rich, green landscapes. This shorter route is steeper in the first two days of the climb and is considered by many to be the most scenic route on Kilimanjaro. After the climb, join us for an optional 2-day safari and/or an optional 2-day Vision Trip.

Together, we’ll summit the highest peak in Africa to give clean water to families living in extreme poverty.

Apply today and package your passion for adventure and a desire to impact the world by sharing your faith and creating a sustainable future with a community of like-minded Kenyan villagers.

June 26th
Arrival in Tanzania

June 27th
Climb Day 1, Machame Camp

June 28th
Climb Day 2, Machame Camp to Shira Camp

KILIMANJARO 2020: CLIMB FOR CLEAN WATER

2020 CLIMB DATES

KILIMANJARO CLIMB
June 26 – July 3 (plus travel time)

KILIMANJARO CLIMB + 2-DAY SAFARI
June 26 – July 5 (plus travel time)

KILIMANJARO CLIMB + 2-DAY SAFARI + VISION TRIP
June 26 – July 8 (plus travel time)
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June 29th
Climb Day 3, Shira camp to Barranco Camp

June 30th
Climb Day 4, Barranco Camp to Karanga Camp

July 1st
Climb Day 5, Karanga Camp to Barafu Camp

July 2nd
Climb Day 6, Barafu to Summit to Mweka Camp

July 3rd
Climb Day 7, Mweka Camp to Mweka Exit

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Our morning climb will be the face of the Barranco wall. After the ascent of the wall, the trail levels to open views of marbled ice and rock on the south face of Kilimanjaro.

This morning’s climb is a slow and steady uphill hike as we enter the Arctic zone. The temperature becomes noticeably cooler; however, excitement fills our camp as we make final preparations for the summit day ahead. We retire early this evening in anticipation for our twilight start.

Today is summit day! Our early start is set with a steady rest-step pace up switch backs on the face of Kilimanjaro. We focus on our pressure breathing until we reach Stella Point. Spectacular views coupled with the sunrise will warm the soul and strengthen the spirit as the iconic Uhuru Peak is now in sight. Only a gradual hike remains to the rooftop of Africa. After the elation of a well-earned summit, we descend back to Barafu Camp for a nice break and celebration before continuing on to our final camp.

Reflecting on the past week, our final trek off Kilimanjaro begins by traversing through the moorland and rainforest before exiting the Mweka Gate. Climb Kili Transportation will be waiting to travel back to our hotel for a hot shower and well-deserved rest and relaxation.
If you are participating in the safari, you will eat an 8am breakfast. Then, you will be picked up, provided a packed lunch, and driven to Tarangire National Park. If you are not participating in the safari, you will take a flight home today.

Tarangire National Park is almost 3000 sq km in size and is probably best known for its huge number of elephants and baobab trees. The name of the park comes from the Tarangire River which crosses through the park. Tarangire is especially spectacular during the dry season as wildlife concentrations rival that of the Serengeti. With its varied habitats and permanent water in the Tarangire River, the park is home to over 2,000 elephants and 500 bird species.

In the afternoon, travel to Ngorongoro Conservations Area for an overnight Ngorongoro Wildlife Lodge Dinner and an overnight stay at Ngorongoro Crater.

After breakfast, we drive to Ngorongoro Crater and descend into the Crater with a picnic lunch. You’ll enjoy a full day of Crater game drives. Included among the 7 Natural Wonders, this extinct volcano collapsed eons ago, turning it into a beautiful natural enclosure. The showpiece of the conservation area is undoubtedly the Ngorongoro Crater itself. It measures about 12 miles across with a rim rising almost 2,000 feet from the floor. It’s no wonder that this Crater is numbered among the 7 Natural Wonders of the World.

The mineral-rich floor of this spectacular bowl is largely flat, open, and covered in grasses enjoyed by large herds of zebra and wildebeest. These extensive, open plains are also home to herds of buffalo, Thomson’s gazelle, Grant’s gazelle, and topi. Breeding herds of elephants pass through the Ngorongoro Crater itself only rarely, but you will see a scattering of old bulls, including some of the biggest tuskers remaining in Africa today.

If you are not participating in the Vision Trip, you will return home on a late evening flight out of Kilimanjaro International Airport.

If you are participating in the Vision Trip, we begin our day by visiting our new program office for all Lifewater work in Tanzania. From there, we’ll step into the villages to experience stages of Lifewater programs. This involves visiting Healthy Homes, homes that have starting practicing five simple, yet life changing habits that improve health. We will also visit remote schools Lifewater is serving in the Shinyanga District.
Today we will visit a village in Tanzania that has not yet been served by Lifewater. You will see the need for clean water first hand and gain a greater understanding of the water and sanitation crisis.

Today we will depart from the Kilimanjaro International Airport and fly home.