December 22, 2016

Dear Men’s Choir Parent,

I am Randall Bradley, the director of the Baylor University Men’s Choir of which your son is a member. It is indeed a pleasure to work with your son, and we are having a superb year of fellowship and music making. If I have not had the opportunity to meet you in the past, I hope to see you at an upcoming concert and have the chance to get to know you better.

As you may know, the Men’s Choir will be traveling to Kenya on Sunday, May 14th through Monday, May 29th. I am thrilled that many of the men in the group will be able to be a part of this important, life-changing experience. The opportunity for your son to travel to a developing country, share music, participate in hands-on missions, and learn about the culture is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. Your son will return from this trip with a broader world-view, a deeper appreciation for his own culture and the immense opportunities that we have in our country, and a deepened faith and walk with God. I will have taken groups to Kenya six times, and I have traveled with students to other countries as well. Additionally, our entire family has been to Kenya three times, and my wife, Brenda, will be a part of this trip. You can be assured that we will take every precaution possible to keep your son safe and healthy. Additionally, Lynn Bailey, a registered nurse, will be a part of our team.

The cost of the trip is $2500; however, with generous donations from benefactors, gifts from churches, and fundraising by the group, we will be able to bring the total cost per person to $1000. We have been working with each student to find ways that he can raise additional funds for this trip. From many years of traveling with students, I have observed that students who are determined and committed to go and who have the support of their parents are usually able to make the trip possible.

The payment schedule for the trip is as follows:

**Jan 25th** Payment #1 – $500

**Feb 15th** Scholarship Applications Due

**Feb 22nd** Payment #2 – $300

**April 5th** Payment #3 – $200

I encourage you to check out the Men’s Choir Website at <http://www.baylormenschoir.org/kenya/> to view a presentation about the trip, a video from our previous 2013 trip, required immunizations, payment schedule, and other information.

I am happy to answer questions that you may have about the trip, and I can be reached at Randall\_Bradley@baylor.edu. I am honored to work with your son, and I look forward to sharing this amazing Kenyan experience with him.

Sincerely,

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