

# URBANPROMISE INTERNATIONAL

### WHAT

This July, Bruce Main will be joined by UrbanPromise International staff and supporters to paddle a 45-foot OC6 outrigger canoe down the Delaware River to ensure that kids in Malawi and Uganda will have the opportunity to attend summer camp. The 50-mile paddle starts in Trenton, NJ and spans for two days, with a finish in Wilmington, DE. The Philadelphia Dragon Boat Association and the Philadelphia Outrigger Canoe Club will partner with UrbanPromise to provide boats and expertise for the event.

#### WHY

There are many challenges facing youth in Malawi including food shortages, lack of educational opportunities, early marriage, and the effects of the HIV/Aids pandemic. UrbanPromise International's ministries seek to offer holistic support to over 1,200 children each year through after-school programs, tuition-free schools, and summer camps. Our camps provide spaces for children to engage in creative arts, explore new places, play games, and be mentored by caring staff.

# OUR GOAL

\$25,000 would underwrite the full costs of our summer camp programs—providing the resources for our ministries to send 1,250 children in Malawi and Uganda to camp for 6 weeks!

# PADDLE WITH US

UPI is looking for paddlers who would be willing to join our boat, and we hope you're up for the adventure. You have the option to paddle for either one or both days—no prior experience necessary! We ask each paddler to raise a minimum of \$1,000—ask your friends, family, or church to support you in your trek down the Delaware River!

UPI will provide all logistical support and transport of paddlers to and from the launching and take out sites. Paddlers must be able to: swim well, be comfortable on the water, paddle in hour-long shifts with no breaks at a moderate to quick pace, and be able to climb in and out of the boats when switching paddlers. People with range of motion limitations or lasting injuries (ex. bad back) should not participate.

#### WHEN & WHERE

Friday, July 8 & Saturday, July 9, 2016

Trenton:	Launch - July 7th AM
	Ross Marina
Camden:	Halfway Point Reception - July 8th AM
	Wiggins Park Marina
Wilmington:	Finish Line Celebration - July 8th PM
	Wilmington Youth Rowing Association

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