

SUMMER 2018 HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MISSION TRIP

Hampden, WV

West Virginia Ministry of Advocacy and Workcamps

WEEK OF AUGUST 4 - 10, 2018

INFORMATION SHEET FOR YOUTH AND THEIR FAMILY

TIMELINE

Sunday, January 21 at 12:30pm ... Mission Trip Meeting with Parents

April 6-7 Mission Overnight and workday ... 7pm to 7pm

Wednesday, May 9 ... Mission Trip Permission Form and \$50 deposit due to Sara (Scholarship Forms due, if applicable)

Wednesday, May 23 ... 5-7pm Mission Trip Planning Meeting - when we will plan what to do for fun, devotions, design group t.shirts, and plan meals for the week!

Fundraiser TBD ... Car Wash?

Sunday, July 9 ... Commissioning during 10 am worship and Mission Trip Meeting after worship

Saturday, August 4 - Friday, August 10, 2018 ... Mission Trip

Sunday, August 26 (tentative) – Present trip to congregation and families at 10am worship service

REQUIREMENTS FOR GOING ON MISSION TRIP

*Three service projects at or through ELPC.

*Attend and participate in all mission timeline events listed above, such as Mission Weekend on April 6-7, mission meetings including parent's meeting fundraiser, and post-trip mission presentation.

*Submit completed Permission Form and \$50 deposit by May 9. Deposit required, but scholarships available to assist with the remaining cost of the trip.

FINANCIAL DETAILS

*The total cost of our trip is \$275.00 per person. Your \$50 deposit is included in this total therefore the difference equals \$225.00. (ELPC pays many additional costs per person, please know that the cost to families is lower than the actual trip cost per person.)

*SCHOLARSHIPS are available! Money should not be a determining factor for you to not join us on the mission trip. If you are in need of financial assistance please fill out a scholarship form and submit it to Sara Hackett by May 9.

QUESTIONS

Sara Hackett will be leading the trip and will be the main contact for your planning and paperwork/deposit submissions. You can reach her at SaraH@coh.net or 412-673-2926.

ELPC Service Projects

Help lead worship as acolyte, crucifer, usher or liturgist – every Sunday!

Participate in the 30 hour famine – March 3-4

Volunteer with Vacation Church School – June 25-29

Doing Good Together - February 11, March 25, April 15

ELPC community work day – First Saturday of Every Month

Volunteer at All Church Retreat – May 4-6 (talk to Sara ahead of time)

Service Projects with Sunday School or Club 116 also count!

Possibilities are endless ... let's brainstorm together!

West Virginia Ministry of Advocacy and Workcamps

Our Mission is to offer the opportunity for discipleship by partnering with those in need whose lives have been devastated by natural disasters or by the disaster of poverty in areas of West Virginia. Volunteer groups work has consisted of home repair and reconstruction, deconstruction, playground restoration, parks cleanup, and stream bank stabilization among other things.

We are supported in part by Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Synod of the Trinity and The Presbytery of West Virginia as well as churches and individual donations. The groups we recruit come from churches of various faith traditions, as well as from colleges and universities.

Hampden, WV

Located on the steps of Horsepen Mountain, Hampden is a very remote location. It is situated just yards from the entrance to a working coal mine. Volunteers serving here have the opportunity to take a step into West Virginia culture.



ACCOMMODATIONS – Groups stay in the Freedom Full Gospel Assembly House of Prayer. Sunday school classrooms are converted into dormitories. There are cots for approximately 30 people. There are two bathrooms and two showers. There is wi-fi available. Groups have the opportunity to participate in their Tuesday evening youth program!

KITCHEN – There is a fully equipped kitchen with a stove and oven, refrigerator, microwave, silverware, plates, cups, pots, pans, and cooking utensils.

GROUNDS – There is a large blacktop available outside for recreational purposes.

SURROUNDING AREA – The closest town is Gilbert, which is an approximately 10-minute drive from the church building. There is a community center with an indoor pool, showers, and other activities available to mission groups for minimal cost. There is a grocery store in Gilbert and restaurants include McDonald's, pizza shops, and other restaurants serving local fare.

MEET CAB & BONITA WOLFORD – Project Managers

Cab and Bonita are natives of Gilbert and love the beautiful mountains and people there. They are pastors of the Full Gospel Church, a very welcoming congregation. Mission teams are a highlight for their church, and here you will also meet Chassie, Crazy Johnny Ronald, Mike, and other wonderful volunteers from the congregation.



2018 High School Mission Trip Scholarship Form

East Liberty Presbyterian Church
116 South Highland Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15206-3985

It is the intention of ELPC's Youth and Young Adult Ministries that no youth be denied participation in a Mission Trip due to lack of funds. We ask that you use good stewardship in determining the amount you need so that we can provide scholarship assistance to as many youth as have need. Thank you for your cooperation.

Please complete this form and return it to the **Sara Hackett (SaraH@coh.net) at East Liberty Presbyterian Church, 116 South Highland Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15206 BY May 9, 2018**

Student's Name: _____

Parent or Guardian: _____

Summer Mission Week serving with VWMAW in Hampden, WV

TOTAL Cost of Trip: \$275.00

ALL families are asked to pay the \$50 dollar deposit.

- We are requesting the full available scholarship amount of \$225.
- We are requesting a partial scholarship in the amount of _____.

Student Signature: _____

Parent Signature: _____