

**High School Mission Trip
July 15 – 21, 2018
Nashville, Tennessee**

The vision of Christ Church Youth is “to form the life of Christ in all, equipping them to share the love of God with others.” At its core is the formation of a Person in persons – the Person of Christ Jesus met, heard, believed, loved and followed in our own lives. In this way we seek to respond to the one great commission and purpose which Jesus spoke into every church: “go therefore and make disciples” (Matthew 28:19).

Those participating on *this* mission team at *this* time have been put together for a purpose - to show love to others in the name of Jesus. The outreach and evangelism in Nashville is only part of the mission though, it also includes growing together in Christian community as a team and personally growing closer to God.

Please be praying for this entire group:

Youth	Current Grade	Leaders	Contact
William Althen	9th	Joseph Dubay	843 576 9635
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Ellen Emge	10th	George Seignious	843 906 8067
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Ellie Fletcher	10th	Joe Quick	843 343 1087
Jordan Harder	11th		
Kathleen Kidd	8th		
William McMullen	8th		
Olivia Potter	9th		
Jake Parker	8th		
Joy Parker	9th		
Shane Parker	10th		
Brady Quick	9th		
Ryan Quick	12th		
Jordan Talley	10th		
Logan Varn	12th		
Ana White	11th		
Patrick White	12th		
Jack Wilson	10th		
Anne Duvall			

Fundraisers & Important Dates

Important Dates:

April 23rd: \$200 due (this includes the initial \$50 if you have not already paid it.)

April 22nd: Youth Group cook-out. Please have your child attend if they are going on the mission trip so that we can have a special prayer for them.

May 4-5: Rock-a-Thon Lock-in Fundraiser

May 24th: Final Mission Trip Payment due

July 14th: *Luggage drop-off at church, time tbd*

July 15th-21st: Mission Trip

Fundraiser Details:

Rock-a-Thon 6pm May 4th to 10am May 5th: Fundraisers come in all shapes and sizes and this one is truly unique. Participants will be required to stay AWAKE and ROCKING in a rocking chair for AS LONG AS POSSIBLE. How will this help? Youth who participate will find donors to pledge \$ per hour. Staff on hand will keep track of their hours and be runners for food and drink. At the end of the event, we will tally every participant's time and help them in the collection process. The event will take place in the Youth Room at Church.

Group Missions: Nashville Info

What is Group Missions: Nashville?

- Group Mission is a nationwide, Christian-based, mission trip organization that offers many different mission opportunities.
- We are participating in their Nashville “Week of Hope” offering.

How will we be getting there?

- We will be driving up in two 15 passenger vans from Enterprise.
- Each driver has had their driving record checked.

Where will we be staying?

- We will be staying at Dalewood United Methodist Church, 2300 Ridgecrest Dr, Nashville, TN 37216
- Boys and girls will be separated and assigned sleeping areas on opposite sides of the Church Campus.
- All participants will need sleeping bags and/or air mattresses
- Showers will be at the nearby YMCA, 2624 Gallatin Pike, Nashville, TN 37216. We will be bussed to them at the end of the workday.

Meals

- We will eat together as a group for all meals.
- Local churches and organizations graciously host and provide meals at a multiple of locations around town.
- The volunteer meal hosts will likely not be able to accommodate special dietary concerns or restrictions, You will need to work with Joseph to plan ahead and bring options on your own if this is necessary.

Who will we be with?

- While our group will stay together for most of the trip, there will be plenty of times where we will get to interact with other youth from all over the country. This will help build bonds within the Christian community that extend far beyond Christ Church.
- We will go to each worksite with two Group Missions counselors who are trained in the job at hand. They will teach us the skill and give us the tools needed to complete the task at hand.

What will we be doing? We will work with the Nashville branch of Group Missions to:

- Work with lower-income children through an organization that offers tutoring, summer camp, a basketball league, job skills training, and other recreational and cultural activities as a positive alternative to the streets.
- Assist refugees through a ministry that engages churches, other organizations, and individuals to assist immigrants and refugees in the region.
- Serve with a local summer school that works to increase literacy to keep kids off the streets and out of the prisons.
- Help teach rising Kindergarteners their basics like ABCs, colors, shapes and work with them on reading in a safe summer environment.
- Spend time with individuals involved in a program that offers structured activities to older adults with cognitive or physical limitations.
- Provide help to seniors that are unable to work on the inside and outside of their homes.
- Package and deliver diapers to families through the Diaper Connection.

Saturday, July 14th - Luggage drop off at the church, time TBD

Sunday, July 15th

5:30 am - arrive at church and load vans

6 am - departure

12:30 pm - lunch stop on the road (bring money for lunch)

3:30 pm (time zone change): Arrival/Check-in

5 pm-5:30 pm: Kick-off Event

5:30 pm: Dinner

7 pm: Evening Programs, week overview, team assignments

8:30 pm: Youth Group Time

11 pm: Lights Out

Monday

7am: Breakfast

8am: Morning Program

8:30 am-3pm: Work at sites, Lunch, Crew Devotion

5:30 pm: dinner

7:30 pm: Evening Program

8:30 pm: Youth Group Time

11 pm: Lights Out

Tuesday

7am-3pm: Same as Monday

3:30pm: Check-in

4-8pm: Youth Group Free Time in downtown Nashville, *details TBD but no youth will ever be without chaperone supervision*

8pm: Lodging area reopens

9pm: Evening Program

11pm: Lights out

Wednesday-Thursday

Same Schedule as Monday

Friday, July 20th-

7am-8am: Breakfast and pack up

9am: Depart Nashville driving to Deep Gap, NC

4pm (time zone change) Arrive at Quick Family Mountain house, 321 Owl Rest Lane, Deep Gap, NC

4pm-11pm: Debrief of the week, free time, fellowship, food, Bonfire

Saturday, July 21

(estimated timing)

9 am: Breakfast

11am: Depart

5:30 pm: Arrive home

2017 Mission Trip Packing List – What to bring and what NOT to bring:

Because we are a church youth group we ask all youth to dress modestly. Clothes that might be offensive to others, advertise or promote drinking or drug usage are not allowed.

Please pack appropriately.

Personal Items

Snacks/packed breakfast for the ride up
Air mattress, cot or twin size foam pad
Sleeping bag or sheets
Blanket and pillow
Towels and washcloth
Modest swimwear and shower shoes
Toothbrush and toothpaste
Soap and shampoo
laundry/plastic bag for dirty clothing
Long pants or jeans
Modest shorts and work t-shirts
Pajamas, socks, underwear
Sturdy shoes
Water Bottle
Bible/journal and pen
Jacket
Sunglasses
Hat, visor or bandana
Work gloves
Rain gear
Snacks
Flashlight
books for reading at night
sunscreen/bug spray
frisbee/playing cards/football
money for travel meals and free day*
phones/music(allowed only during travel)

Optional: instruments, fun items for theme days: Mustache Monday, Tropical Tuesday, Wacky Wednesday, Christmas on Thursday.

*We will be stopping for 3 meals total on the way up an the way back as well as 1 meal in downtown Nashville. We will be walking through downtown Nashville so there will be some oppertunity to potentially shop.

***IMPORTANT:** You will want to have clothes for both work AND relaxation. Pack clothes you don't mind getting messy to work in. You can get away with wearing your work clothes more than once. This will help you with packing space. Please bring a trash bag to transport dirty clothes home

DO NOT BRING

- Fireworks/lighters/weapons
- drugs/alcohol/tobacco products/vapes
- Pornography
- Skimpy, immodest clothing
- Expensive clothes or jewelry

If any of these items are found, the punishment will be immediate expulsion from the trip. Parents will be 100% responsible for the transport and pick up of expelled youth.

Worth Noting:

- The leaders will have all parent information and will contact you only in case of any concern. Youth will not be allowed to contact parents so please don't contact the leaders to check in.
- Daily updates and photos will be sent by Robin Quick.
- Cell phones will be the only way to call home, but are only to be used on the trip to and from. Leaders will collect the phones and lock them up for the entire week.
- Label everything.
- Each person is responsible for their own stuff.
- Please check the weather forecast for the week.
- Youth may want to bring their own work gloves. Tools are provided, but if youth have a tool belt or tools they want to bring with them they may.
- Please be sure that each youth saves money to buy food on the for the trip home. Hide money in a suitcase if necessary!
- Medicine - parents of youth requiring medicine during the trip must provide this medicine in advance so it can be inventoried and added to the master spreadsheet. Epi-pens and inhalers must be listed but do not need to be turned in. No exceptions.