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# MISSION TRIP

NASHVILLE

JUNE 22-27

NORTHRIDGECHURCH.COM/STUDENTS

### **Trip Details**

#### **When**

Trip Dates: June 22 - June 27, 2025

Departing NorthRidge Plymouth around 7:30am on Sunday 6/22 Returning to NorthRidge Plymouth around 7:00pm on Friday 6/27

\*\*\*Times subject to change\*\*\*

#### Where

We will be staying downtown Nashville at McKendree United Methodist Church 523 Church St Nashville, TN 37219

#### Who

This mission trip is open to any student who are in 6<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup> grade for the 2024-2025 school year. We will also take an appropriate number of adult volunteers and NorthRidge staff.

#### What & Why

We will be partnering with City Service Mission and serving with various ministries in and around Nashville.

- Homeless shelter ministry
- Yard cleanup and home repair
- Food & clothing distribution
- Urban farming

#### How Much?

The fundraising amount for this trip will likely be between \$650-\$700. The exact cost will be determined once the team has been established and expected costs are more accurate. This money covers transportation, meals, lodging, a trip shirt, our fun day, and supplies at our sites.

They will need extra money for 2-3 meals plus snacks.

There are no scholarships available for mission trips. We encourage you to raise support for this trip through your family, friends, etc.

#### How Do I Sign Up?

This trip has limited spots, so the team will be chosen based on applications and interviews. You can apply online at:

https://northridgechurch.churchcenter.com/people/forms/196773

# Applications are due January 31<sup>st</sup>. We will have interviews completed by the end of February.

#### **Packing List**

- Clothes for 6 days (Appropriate clothes for leisure, work, and sleep)
  - o A long-sleeve shirt is recommended for yard work
  - Please pack at least two pairs of long pants (leggings are not pants)
- Work clothes and gloves
- Closed-toed shoes
- Flip-flops for shower
- Overnight toiletries and shower stuff
- Refillable water bottle
- Sunscreen
- Sleeping bag or sheets/blankets and pillow
- Bible, pen, notebook/journal
- Medications, inhaler, etc. if needed
- Small games or activities for free time

#### **Don't Bring List**

Please don't bring anything that can be broken, stolen, or lost. We cannot be responsible for their safety. Bring phones and electronics at your own risk.

#### **Cell Phone Policy**

Students are allowed to bring their phones, as we want them to be able to connect with parents. Phone may be used, as long as they're not a distraction, while at the housing site. Phones are not permitted on ministry sites and must be left at our housing during the day. Leaders will have phones on them at all times.

#### Is it safe?

Yes! Safety is always our #I concern with any of our trips and events. We are partnering with a very experienced Mission Trip organization, City Service Mission. They have done numerous trips at these exact locations. We are tailoring this trip to be age-appropriate for middle school students.

#### **Meetings**

We will have team meetings on select Sunday afternoons leading up to the trip. These meetings will go over fundraising, trip details, team building, and spiritual preparation for the trip.

## **Tentative Trip Schedule**

#### **SUNDAY (ARRIVAL DAY)**

4:00-5:00 pm – Arrive to Mission Location

5:30 pm - Dinner

7:00 pm — Orientation

8:00 pm - Theology talk & Group discussion

9:00 pm – Free time

11:00 pm - Lights Out

#### **MONDAY - THURSDAY (WORK DAYS)**

7:30 am – Breakfast & Devotions

8:30 am – Depart for Worksite & Begin Serving

12:00 pm - Lunch

1:00 pm - Serve / Work Project

5:30pm – Dinner

7:30pm – Debrief & Discussion Groups

9:00 - Free Time

11:00 pm – Lights Out

#### FRIDAY (DEPARTURE DAY)

7:30 am – Breakfast & Devotions

8:15 am – Clean & Pack

9:30 am - Leave for home

7:00 pm – Return to NR Plymouth

\*Each full day will have the opportunity to serve at 2 different community partners, or to participate in a learning activity. Each night, we will have dinner at an international restaurant, followed by a time of group teaching or debrief.

#### **Questions?**

Contact Ryan - rmotley@northridgechurch.com

# \*Sample Support Letter\*