

YOUTH INTERNATIONAL SUMMER MISSION TRIP 2020

International Mission Trip - Antigua, Guatemala - July 9th thru July 17th - \$850

We will return once again to serve in Antigua, Guatemala with Mountains of Grace. We will continue to build upon the relationships that have been developed, participate in construction projects, and we will grow in our relationships with each other and with God.

This trip is open to all high school students (must have completed the 9th grade by the time of the trip) whose church home is Stockbridge First UMC. There will be a total of five team meetings that the students will be expected to participate in. The cost for the trip is \$850 and will be broken down into four payments. The first payment of \$250 is due when you sign up for the trip. All payments and deposits are nonrefundable. Sign ups for this trip will close on Sunday, January 26th. Students must have health insurance coverage to attend this trip. Passport cost is not included in this price, and each participant will be responsible for getting their own passport.

International Mission Trip Dates

Team Meeting #1/Information Meeting Deposit/Payment of \$250 Due (Bring Parents/Guardians)	Sunday, January 26th, 1pm- 3pm
Meeting #2/Payment of \$250 due	Sunday, February 23rd, 6pm- 8pm
Meeting #3/Payment of \$250 due	Sunday, March 22nd, 6pm- 8pm
Meeting #4/Payment of \$100 due	Sunday, April 26th, 6pm- 8pm
Commissioning Service	Sunday, July 5th, 8:30am & 11:00am Service
Team Meeting #5/Team Dinner (Bring Parents/Guardians)	Sunday, July 5th, 6pm - 8pm
International Mission Trip	Thursday, July 9th thru Friday, July 17th

Trip Requirements

Before you decide to go on this missions experience, we want to be clear about what will be expected of you throughout the next several months leading up to the trip to Guatemala. If any team member is unable to meet these requirements at any point along the way, their situation will be reviewed by Pastor Chad and our team of adult leaders and a decision will be made as to whether or not they will remain on the team.

Attend Team Events

Team meetings are critical to build team unity, challenge and encourage one another, grow spiritually, and prepare for the trip. We will have five team meetings in preparation for our trip. Any student who misses more than one Team Event will not be able to go on the mission trip. Here are the dates of the Team Events:

Team Meetings—January 26th (1:00-3:00pm), February 23rd, March 22nd, and April 26th (6:00-8:00pm)

Commissioning Service—July 5th (8:30am-9:30am & 11:00am-12noon)

Team Dinner—July 5th (6:00pm-8:00pm)

Raise Funds

The total cost of this trip is approximately \$1,700. We are only asking students to pay \$850. The remaining \$850 will be raised through LAUNCH and student letter writing. Every student will send out letters to people outside of Stockbridge First UMC to ask for prayer and financial support. Any support received will not just go to the individual student, but will go to support the team as a whole. Additionally, if any team member decides to not attend the mission trip or is removed from the team, the money that has been paid on their behalf and the money that has been raised by them, will not be refunded. All funds go to support the team as a whole. Additional funds raised will be donated to Mountains of Grace.

Complete Mission Trip Assignments

To prepare for ministry on the trip, students will be given tasks to complete both during team meetings and on their own. These tasks may involve a variety of activities (ex. writing support letters, practicing a drama, learning about the people of Guatemala, etc.)

Church Involvement

This mission trip is for students who are a part of Stockbridge First UMC, and so we require that all students who are on this trip maintain participation in the church life of Stockbridge First.

Be a Team Player

We ask that every team member have a teachable heart, have a desire to work/share/play well with the others on the team, be willing to sacrifice their wants and desires for the good of the team, and make this missions experience a high priority in their life.

One significant rule that every team member will be asked to observe for the benefit of the team as a whole is the “NO TRIP ROMANCE” rule. Team members will not form any romantic relationships with another team member throughout the duration of the pre-trip preparation and the trip itself. We will all be brothers and sisters in Christ and nothing more.

Trip Requirements

STUDENT:

- I have read and understand the Trip Requirements.
- I agree to be respectful at all times with the team leaders placed over this trip.
- I agree to abstain from any behavior that is inappropriate for my body and life as a Christ-follower prior to and during the trip.
- I am willing to commit to the necessary requirements to be a Guatemala 2020 Missions Team Member.

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____

PARENT or LEGAL GUARDIAN of Student:

- I/We have read and understand the Trip Requirements.
- I/We am completely supportive of my son / daughter being a member of the Guatemala 2020 Missions Team Member and am witness to his / her commitment of the above.

Parent(s) Signature(s): _____ Date: _____

_____ Date: _____

Consent and Medical Permission Form
2020
Stockbridge First UMC Youth

Student Name _____ Date of Birth _____
Street Address _____ Home Phone _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Family Physician _____ Phone _____
Family Insurance Co. _____ Insured's Name _____
Insurance Address _____
Policy # _____ Group # _____

(Check all that apply)

Past Medical History

Asthma Diabetes Heart Problem Chronic Bronchitis Chronic Sinusitis Other

Date of last Tetanus _____

Allergies (please list in detail) _____

Please list any previous surgeries _____

Current Medications

Does your student currently take any medications? _____

If so, list: _____

Emergency Phone Numbers

Father's Name _____

Day # _____ Evening # _____ Cell # _____

Mother's Name _____

Day # _____ Evening # _____ Cell # _____

If parents cannot be reached, who can be notified? (Name, Phone Number, and relationship)

I hereby give my consent to the Minister and/or Sponsor in charge of the above named under age child to seek medical and/or surgical treatment and/or other medical procedures, which are required during my absence. I understand that in such case reasonable attempts would first be made to contact me, time and conditions permitting, and that in any event I will be notified of action taken as soon as reasonably possible. In consideration of the services that are rendered to said child named above, pursuant hereto, I agree to pay for all such services. I also give permission for the above named child to ride in any vehicle designated by the adult in whose care the minor has been entrusted while participating in activities sponsored by church or organization. I, the undersigned, do hereby verify that the above information is correct and I understand that the church or organization cannot assume responsibility for medical expenses incurred in case of an accident. I do hereby release and forever discharge the church or organization, all sponsors, and all employees of organization from any and all liability with regard to my child while he or she is participating in any church or organization sponsored activity.

Parent Signature _____

Date _____

***If possible, please attach a copy of current medical insurance card.**

LIABILITY RELEASE FORM

As parents and or legal guardian(s) of _____ we (I), do hereby release, forever discharge and agree to hold harmless Mountains of Grace and the directors thereof from any and all liability, claims or demands for personal injury, sickness or death, as well as property damage and expenses, of any nature, whatsoever which may be incurred by the undersigned minor participant while on the Guatemala Mission Trip which will occur on the following dates:

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Furthermore, we(I), {and on behalf of our (my) child} hereby assume all risk of personal injury, sickness, death, damage and expense as a result of participation in recreation and work activities involved therein.

Furthermore, authorization and permission is hereby given to directors to furnish any necessary transportation, food, and lodging for this participant.

The undersigned further hereby agree to hold harmless and indemnify Mountains of Grace, its directors, employees and agents, for any liability sustained by said church as the result of negligent, willful, or intentional acts of said participant, including expenses incurred attendant thereto.

We(I), are the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of this child, and hereby grant our permission for him/her to participate fully in said trip, and hereby authorize medical treatment, including but not in limitation to emergency surgery or medical treatment, and assume all responsibility of all medical bills, if any.

Furthermore, should it be necessary for said participant to return home due to medical reasons, disciplinary action or otherwise, we(I) hereby assume all transportation costs.

Print name of participant

Signature

Date

Notary

Date Expires

County