

WEST VIRGINIA MISSION TRIP

Samaritan's Purse – www.samaritanspurse.org

Project Description: Teams will assist in rebuilding and repairing homes in Greenbrier County, NJ. Activities will include painting and light construction as needed. It is likely that we will not know in advance what type of work we will be doing. The site coordinator will let us know when we arrive in what specific areas they need our assistance. Please remember that we are there to serve them in any capacity needed—be flexible and keep a good attitude!

Storm Background

A severe storm in June of 2016 caused heavy downpours unlike any West Virginia has seen in the last century. This storm caused flooding in 44 counties across West Virginia, Greenbrier Co. experienced some of the heaviest flooding. During the initial response over 1,800 volunteers came to West Virginia to assist homeowners with clean-up of their homes and property. Rebuild volunteers will work on repairs for existing homes. Volunteers should be prepared for hard manual labor to include all aspects of construction.

Daily Schedule (subject to change)

7:00 AM – Breakfast & Devotions

8:00 AM – Depart for Work Sites

6:00 PM – Dinner & Share Time

10:00 PM – Church Locked & Lights Out

Sleeping Quarters – Volunteers are housed in a local church. Men & women have separate sleeping areas. Rooms are equipped with bunk beds. Volunteers should bring pillow, linens and blanket for twin size mattress or sleeping bag.

Showers – A shower trailer with private showers is available. Volunteers should bring towels, soap, shampoo, and shower shoes.

Phone / Internet – Cell phones should be brought to communicate with family. Limited wireless internet access is available. You may wish to bring a laptop or other Wi-Fi compatible device.

Laundry – Volunteers will not have access to laundry facilities. Bring clothing for the week.

Tools – Samaritan's Purse provides all the tools needed for this site. Volunteers should bring work boots, work gloves, and safety glasses. You may bring your own tool belt with small hand tools.

Devotions / Share Time – Devotions are conducted every morning by staff or volunteers. *Attendance is required.* Immediately following dinner volunteers will have the opportunity to share their day's experiences with the entire volunteer group during Share Time. The remainder of the evening is free. We encourage you to bring your Bibles. Journals will be provided.

TEAM MEETINGS

There will be at least 4-5 required meetings prior to the trip departure. You will be provided a meeting schedule in advance by your team leaders, so please make every effort to attend these meetings! These meetings are not as much for informational purposes (although that is also important!) but for the purpose of growing and bonding with your team.

FINANCIAL GUIDELINES

The trip cost (\$100) includes advance on-site arrangements and preparations, transportation, flights, lodging, most meals, T-shirts, supplies for trip projects and various administrative expenses. Please bring spending money to cover meals while travelling and any souvenirs you may choose to purchase. Please be aware that we cannot guarantee any refunds of payments made although will do our best to accommodate extenuating circumstances.

For more information on this or any of our other Go Trips, please email gotrips@church-redeemer.org