



APPALACIAN MTS-LOGAN, WV

Dear Parents and Youth,

I want to invite you on an exciting adventure this summer – a transforming, eye-opening adventure that will bring you closer to Jesus.

All Saints youth have been serving people around North America for over a decade. We continue in that tradition in 2009 with another exciting opportunity! This year's mission is to the Appalachian Mountains, specifically the small town of Logan, WV and its surrounding population.

Why participate in a mission this summer? You will be building the community of God with others. You will be putting the needs of others before your own. You will be reaching out to the poor and neglected. You will be experiencing a different culture and personally challenged. You will grow in your identify with Christ and His Church. You will be the hands, feet, and mouth of Christ to others that need Him. God can work in amazing ways when you allow yourself to be vulnerable and step out of your comfort zone.

Please read all of the information in this folder to familiarize yourself with fundraising opportunities and trip procedures. It is **VERY IMPORTANT FOR YOU TO PARTICIPATE IN ALL EVENTS** to adequately prepare for your mission. Please mark your calendars now with those dates to avoid conflict. Some dates are tentative and subject change.

Pax,

Chris Kuhn
Youth Ministry, All Saints Catholic Church

Appalachian Mts— WV

Who: High school youth grades 9 – 12

When: June 19-26, 2010

Cost: \$600/youth, \$150/adults

Slots: 14 teen spaces available

Spiritual Journey - A mission trip is not only a physical journey but a spiritual one. It is more than a vacation or something fun to do with friends. All Saints Youth Ministry is concerned about and committed to the development of Catholic identity for mission trip participants. Participants must be open and committed to growing in their faith before, during, and after the mission trip experience.

Demographics

The breathtaking Appalachian Mountains, extending from Georgia to Maine, are scattered with many rural towns, including Logan, West Virginia. Logan, located in the southern part of the state—less than one hour from Charleston—is home to a population of 1,630 people. Visitors can hike, swim or picnic at the 4,000-acre Chief Logan State Park, or walk along the banks of the Guyandotte River. This region prospered during the World War II era through a sustained demand for coal, timber and agriculture products. However, improved technology in coal mining and greater competitiveness of alternative fuels eventually reduced the need for labor in the mining industry. Today, jobs are scarce and over 20 percent of the population lives below the poverty line, including nearly 30 percent of those under age 18. Because of the terrain in Logan, many of the homes and trailers also are in need of repair due to flooding. You can help restore some of these damaged homes and minister to the people of this community. In serving and spending time in Logan, we group will most certainly be blessed by the warm welcome of the Appalachian people.

About the Ministry

Participants serve in a variety of ways during a YouthWorks mission trip. Students may spend all week at one ministry or switch between ministries during the week. Ministries that your students may participate in are Kids Club and Work Projects. Kids Club is a hands-on program led by our youth offering high-energy games, crafts, skits, songs and interactive lessons all designed to help kids learn about Jesus. Whether

we're painting houses, performing minor home repair, cleaning up debris, volunteering in community gardens or other projects in the community, the projects students work on will serve as our way of blessing people in need. Youth Works cannot confirm until all groups arrive exactly what ministries our students will be a part of during the week. We ask that you come with a willing and flexible spirit!

Activities

Evening activities during a YouthWorks week are designed to give participants insight into the lives of local residents and the culture of the area. A list of evening/cultural activities we have done in the past include: Spend an evening at Chief Logan State Park; Attend a local church service; Attend a Bluegrass concert; and take part in a community cookout. These are examples of what your group might partake in during your mission week. These examples are subject to change due to weather or availability.

Mileage

We will be driving both to and from Logan, WV. We will be renting mini-vans.

Chaperones

We need 6 total chaperones. Chaperones pay \$150 and will be part of the mission committee in the months prior to the trip. The committee meets monthly. All chaperones must be 21 years of age or older. (See Chaperone Section)

Special notes about this mission

Participants will need to bring extra money for any meal expenses while traveling. All other meals while at the site are covered.

Tentative Itinerary (leave and return times tentative)

Sat, June 19 early am

Depart All Saints via mini vans; lodge in Indiana.

Sunday, June 20 5:30pm

Arrive at mission site.

Monday, June 21 – Thursday, June 24th

Work at mission site.

Friday, June 25 morning

Return trip. (overnight in Indiana)

Saturday, June 26 late afternoon

Return All Saints

Payment Schedule

January 8 last day for \$100 non-refundable deposit and registration

March 20 1/2 balance due (you may deduct stock sales)

June 1 Full balance due
*Trip Cancellation Deadline

Individual Stock sales will be subtracted from the Final Payment. Individual Stock sales will end on June 1, 2010. Please return any unsold shares to All Saints with your final payment.

***Refund Policy**

- The \$100 deposit is non-refundable.
- If you need to withdraw the 2nd and 3rd payments will be refunded in full provided you notify Chris Kuhn at All Saints Church in writing on or before June 1, 2010 AND your place on the trip is filled.
- NO refunds will be given for trip cancellations after June 1, 2010.

Important Dates

- Participants **MUST** attend at least 3/4 of Gatherings and participant in 3/4 of Fundraising/Service events (See Fundraising/Service Section).

Registration Deadline

Friday, January 8, 2010 (spots may be available after deadline)

Gathering 1 – All Saints

Friday, Jan. 22nd 2010

6:00 – 8:00 p.m. in the Youth Room

Parent Meeting (optional)

Sunday, May 16 10am– Youth Room

Gathering 2 – All Saints

Sunday, May 30, 2010

12:30 – 2 p.m. in the Youth Room

Mission Trip

Sat, June 19 – Sat, June 26, 2010

Reunion Party

Sunday, July 3, 2010

12:30– 2:00 p.m. in the Youth Room

Reflection paper due, bring pictures to share

Stockholders Brunch

Sunday, July 10, 2010

10:00 – 11:00 am. Murphy Hall

REGISTRATION & CANCELLATION POLICY

Registration

Youth participant registrations are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis until all available slots are taken. Only completed registrations are given placement or put on a waiting list. A registration is considered complete only when the registration form and \$100 non-refundable deposit have been received by All Saints.

Waiting List

A waiting list is maintained for those who register after all slots are filled. If someone drops from the trip or fails to participate in gatherings/service expectations a slot may become available for the first person on the waiting list. A \$50 non-refundable deposit is required to be on the waiting list. The deposit will be refunded should no space become available by the cancellation deadline. All Saints will try to

arrange another suitable experience for those on the waiting list. Example, Urban Immersion Experience, Mpls.

Cancellation

If you need to withdraw from mission trip for any reason you must notify Chris Kuhn at All Saints Church in writing before June 1, 2010. Your 2nd and 3rd payments will be refunded if and only if there is someone on the waiting list to take your place on the mission. No refunds are issued after the cancellation deadline.

CHAPERONES

All adults at least 21 years or older by June 19, 2010 are welcome to apply for a chaperone position. Applications must be received by January 7, 2010. Once we receive the application, candidates will be scheduled for interviews with the trip director, Chris Kuhn.

We ask people to apply and interview because of the significant role a chaperone plays on a mission trip. Selected candidates will form the mission trip committee that oversees all operations of the mission and related activities. This committee will meet once per month on a day and time to be determined by the committee.

All chaperones must complete a background check and Virtus training prior to departure.

All chaperones must be willing to drive a mini-van for a minimum of 3-4hours (with breaks) while traveling to/from mission trip site. Chaperones must have good driving record.

A max. 6 chaperones will be accepted. Chaperone numbers are subject to trip needs.

FUNDRAISING

Individual Fundraising

All Saints is committed to helping you afford to be able to provide ministry to others. We have already subsidized the cost to the current price; the rest is up to you.

For the last several years All Saints has invited trip participants to sell shares of stock in their mission as a way to raise money and share the mission trip experience with the larger community. This has proven to be a great fundraiser that requires a minimal amount of effort.

Here is how it works:

1. Make a list of friends, relatives, employers, coaches and anyone else that supports and cares for you.
2. Contact each of these people and ask them to become a stockholder in your mission trip.
3. Shares start at \$15. Donors can give in any amount greater than \$15 if they choose. Prayer donations are also welcome and acceptable.
4. All Saints will extend an invitation to all registered stockholders to attend the Stockholders Brunch held on July 10. Trip participants are expected to help prepare and serve this meal with the exception of high school graduates. In addition, all trip participants will submit a one-page reflection paper at the conclusion of their trip at the Reunion Party.
5. All trip participants receive an allotment of Stock

Group Fundraising

In addition to individual stock sales participants can work a maximum of three Fundraising & Service Shifts to help defray costs.

Details about the different dates and times for these shifts are on the reverse side of this page. Please fill out the backside of this sheet to remind yourself of the particular fundraising and service shifts you will be working. You will be reminded of your commitment prior to the event.

At each of these events individual stock sales are not allowed. The money that is generated through these events (if any) will be used to defray group costs and fund the subsidy for your mission.

All shifts have a dress code of a white shirt and khaki pants.

Certificates. Each participant will initially receive two shares to sell.

6. When you make a stock share sale, be sure to complete the Stockholder information form and return it and the share fee to All Saints. A record of your stock sales and shareholder information will be kept on file at All Saints.
7. Be sure to give the Mission Trip Stock Certificate to your new Stockholder and thank them.
8. Additional Stock Certificates will be available online and at All Saints by Feb 3rd.
9. Individual stock sales end June 1, 2010. Stock earnings will be subtracted from the FINAL payment on this day. Please return unsold shares back to All Saints with your final payment.

FUNDRAISING & SERVICE SHIFTS

Service and Community

It is expected that participants going on mission display a willingness to serve and get to know each other. In addition to service and fundraising opportunities listed here, participants will **plan and arrange** with other trip participants a service and community building opportunity for the entire group. Groups for this task will be assigned Feb. 8th.

Applebee's Breakfast

Early June. Apple Valley location
7:30-11am (8-10am breakfast)
Each participant is expected to sell 15 tickets by May 25. Need 8 individuals to help.

Group Stock Sales and Prayer Cards after Masses

March (TBD)

Saturday, 5pm Mass
Sunday, 7:30am Mass
Sunday, 9:00am Mass
Sunday, 11:00am Mass
Sunday, 5:30pm Mass

Bagging Groceries (Heritage Square) Saturday, TBD

Shift 1: 10am-Noon
Shift 2: Noon-2pm
Shift 3: 2pm-4pm
Shift 4: 4pm-6pm

Mother's Day Brunch

Sun., May 9, 2010

Shift #1 7:00 – 11:00 am
Shift #2 10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Serving and cleaning brunch.

Participants are expected to help prepare and serve the Stockholders Brunch. In addition, all participants will submit a one page reflection paper at the Reunion Party on July 3, 2010

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MY Fundraising & Service Shifts are:

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)
- 4) Stockholders Dinner (Please refer to specific mission details page for date/time)

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REGISTRATION

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

Full name as it appears on birth certificate:

LAST NAME:	FIRST NAME:	MIDDLE NAME:
PARENT(S) FULL NAME(S):		
STREET ADDRESS:	CITY:	ZIP CODE:
HOME PHONE: ()	ALTERNATE PHONE: ()	DATE OF BIRTH: / /19
E-MAIL ADDRESS:		
T-SHIRT SIZE (circle one): S M L XL 2XL		

1. Why do you want to be a part of this mission team?

2. What is one thing you expect from this trip?

3. What is one thing this team can expect from you?

4. How will you help build community with this team and the people we serve?

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