

# Information & Expectations — Mississippi Youth Mission Project Lanesville Congregational Church

## Dates/Times

Depart from O'Malley School parking lot at 2:30am, Friday, July 9, 2010. Return to Lanesville Congregational Church early evening (TBA) on Wednesday, July 21, 2010.

## Host Organization

In His Steps Ministry, Jasper Bacon Director (601-859-5708)

## Cost

\$400.00 (includes transportation, motels, room and board while in Canton, construction costs, van cleanings, breakfast and lunch while in transit, and miscellaneous expenses).

## Projects

Vacation Bible School in Sawmill Quarters and housing/construction project(s); visitation and evangelism (in the Sawmill Quarters and, optionally, in a youth detention center).

## Expectations and Requirements

*In order to participate, the applicant must:*

1. Have confessed faith in Jesus Christ.
2. Be currently living in a way that gives evidence of Jesus' Lordship.
3. Have completed the eighth grade.
4. Commit to participating in all activities without grumbling and commit to being a blessing to teammates.
5. Recognize and respect the authority of team leaders.
6. Be able to work in intense heat (which can sometimes exceed 100 degrees with intense humidity).
7. Submit all of the following paperwork by Sunday, May 2:
  - \$75 nonrefundable deposit.
  - Application form (first-time participants only), completed and signed by parent(s).
  - Statement of Faith for Returning Attendees form (returning participants only).
  - Consent & Release form (if already submitted in 2010, another is not necessary).
  - 3-page paper on Mississippi (first time participants only).
8. Submit a check for \$325 (balance of participant cost, after \$75 deposit) by June 6, 2010.
9. Have been inoculated for Hepatitis A & B (unless a parent indicates in writing that he/she declines to have the child inoculated)
10. Have had a recent tetanus shot (within 10 years).
11. Adhere to dress code guidelines, as explained in planning meetings.

**Note:** Because of cultural differences in the South, and to avoid being a stumbling block or offense to those we meet, girls in particular will be asked to follow a specific dress code: modest shorts, no sleeveless or scoop-necked shirts, below the knee length skirts for church. More details will be provided in a future meeting.

12. Faithfully attend mandatory team meetings (below, and as announced).

**Note:** We consider the meetings to be PART of the trip, necessary for team building and preparation together for the work God has prepared for us in MS. Though we expect participants to make every effort to attend all meetings, we recognize that there may be some unavoidable conflicts. Of the meetings listed below, participants may miss no more than TWO (2) meetings for unavoidable conflicts. A participant who misses more than two meetings may be removed from the team. Participants should communicate with team leaders (in advance, whenever possible) in the event of an absence.

**MANDATORY MEETINGS** (unless otherwise indicated, meetings will be from 600pm to 8:00pm):

- Sunday, April 11
- Sunday, April 25
- Sunday, May 2
- Sunday, May 23
- Sunday, June 6
- Sunday, June 20 (Father's Day Pancake Breakfast; morning event, time TBA)
- Sunday, June 27