



## Mission Chicago – July 5<sup>th</sup> thru July 11<sup>th</sup>

We are headed to the windy city to do inner city ministry. We will be partnering with CSM (City Service Mission - <http://www.csm.org/trip-locations/chicago/>). Students will work at a kid's summer camp, men's and women's shelters, soup kitchen, block party and clean-up in the inner city of Chicago. This trip provides a unique urban mission opportunity and provides an opportunity for students to engage in a ministry that intentional about serving the "least of these" in Matthew 25:40. Our goal is to be the hands and feet of Christ as we provide support to CSM and the local churches to continue their efforts to impact the lives of those in need in inner city Chicago.

**Cost: \$450 – 6 nights stay, all meals (except for 2 travel meals and 1 fun day meal), day and evening activities, and travel. 1<sup>st</sup> Deposit of \$150 due on 4/15. 2<sup>nd</sup> installment of \$150 due by 5/15. Remaining balance of \$150 due by 6/15.**

### What to bring:

- Toiletries, towel, wash cloth
- Sleeping bag, pillow, sheets, etc. – we will be staying in CSM dormitories
- Bible, notepad, and pen/pencil
- Pack everything in the smallest bag/luggage possible assuming that we will be in tight quarters.
- Clothing – Dress code
  - ✓ Day Time: Bring comfortable clothing and be ready for mild summer weather but still hot and clothes you don't mind getting dirty (including shoes).
  - ✓ Night Time: We will be going out to eat nightly to eat at a local restaurant and may even venture out to see a sight or two in town so bring another pair of comfortable clothing to wear.
  - ✓ Shorts ((No soffee shorts or short shorts are allowed) or long pants (yoga pants require a shirt to be worn that covers to at least below the gluteus maximus)
  - ✓ T-Shirts (no loose, overly revealing tops – even if you are wearing sports undergarments)
  - ✓ Comfortable shoes
- Backpack (to pack your daily supplies – water bottle, sunscreen, bug spray, Bible, etc.)
- Money for 2 travel meals (lunch meals there and back), lunch meal on our fun day, and additional snacks/souvenirs – we will be checking out the Navy Pier, Millennium Park, and the Skydeck (<https://theskydeck.com/>) in downtown Chicago on our fun day. You may want to bring extra \$ for the rides on the pier - <https://navypier.org/explore/rides-games/centennial-wheel-pier-park/>.

### Schedule for the week:

#### Sunday – 7/5 (\$ for 1meal, lunch)

6:00 am	Departure from Family Life Center
11:00 am	Stop in Mount Vernon, IL (fast food \$; Fazoli's, Taco Bell, Panda Express)
5:00 pm	Arrive at CSM housing / Orientation
6:30 pm	Dinner at local international restaurant (Indian, Middle Eastern, Puerto Rican, Thai, Malian, etc.)

– alternative meals or options will be available for those with nut allergies)

7:30 pm Prayer Tour

9:30 pm Team debriefing

11:00 pm Lights Out

**Monday – 7/6**

7:30 am Breakfast and Devotions

9:00 am Serve at Men's/Women's Shelter

12:00 pm Lunch

1:30 pm Serve at Kid's Summer Camp

6:00 pm Dinner at local international restaurant (Indian, Middle Eastern, Puerto Rican, Thai, Malian, etc.

– alternative meals or options will be available for those with nut allergies)

8:00 pm Team debriefing

11:00 pm Lights Out

**Tuesday – 7/7**

7:30 am Breakfast and Devotions

9:00 am Serve at Food Pantry

12:00 pm Lunch

1:30 pm Serve at Kid's Summer Camp

6:00 pm Dinner at local international restaurant (Indian, Middle Eastern, Puerto Rican, Thai, Malian, etc.

– alternative meals or options will be available for those with nut allergies)

7:00pm Hand out sack lunches to homeless community

9:00 pm Team debriefing

11:00 pm Lights Out

**Wednesday – 7/8**

7:30 am Breakfast and Devotions

9:00 am Serve meal at Soup Kitchen

12:00 pm Lunch

1:30 pm Serve at Kid's Summer Camp

6:00 pm Dinner & Worship

8:00 pm Team debriefing

11:00 pm Lights Out

**Thursday – 7/9**

7:30 am Breakfast and Devotions

9:00 am Serve at Block Clean-up Ministry

12:00 pm Lunch

1:30 pm Serve at Kid's Summer Camp

6:00 pm Dinner at local international restaurant (Indian, Middle Eastern, Puerto Rican, Thai, Malian, etc.

– alternative meals or options will be available for those with nut allergies)

8:00 pm Team debriefing

11:00 pm Lights Out

**Friday – 7/10 (\$ for 1 meal, lunch)**

8:30 am Breakfast and Devotions

9:00 am Evaluations, cleaning, pack, load vans

10:00 am Leave for Downtown Chicago

12:00 pm Lunch at Navy Pier (fast food \$ to specialty restaurants \$\$-\$\$\$\$)

4:00 pm Head to Fullerton Beach

6:00 pm Pickup Dinner and head back to CSM

9:00 pm Pack, clean, and prepare for journey home

10:00 pm Lights Out

**Saturday – 7/11 (\$ for 1 meal, lunch)**

6:00 am Load vans and depart for home – pickup breakfast on the way

11:00 am Stop in Mount Vernon, IL (fast food \$; Fazoli's, Taco Bell, Panda Express)

6:00 pm Arrive at FLC

## Mission Trip Guidelines:

- **Everyone is required to have attended at least one other mission trip prior to this trip – Jr High/In State mission trip or have been on a prior Out of State or International mission trip**
- **Each student must be a Christian and be in good spiritual standing as observed by parents, student leadership, and Pastor Robert which includes regular Sunday and Wednesday morning attendance, attending any required training sessions for this trip, and having a consistent devotional, prayer, and Bible study time.**
- **Each student must be able to demonstrate their ability and desire to share the gospel in a clear and concise manner that is Biblically accurate. This will be accomplished in one of the required training sessions prior to the trip.**
- Everyone is expected to observe the highest standard of Christian conduct at all times.
- For safety, the adult sponsor for each must know where students are at all times.
- No one is to leave after Lights Out unless there is an emergency.
- No PDA (Public Display of Affection).
- No drugs, alcohol, tobacco, inappropriate images (such as on t-shirts), inappropriate language (verbal or written), or fighting.
- Meals and other scheduled activities are NOT optional excluding activities on our fun day.
- Be FLUID (more than flexible) – be ready to say “yes” to whatever God has in store for us to do

Anyone who chooses not to obey the established guidelines while on the trip will be subject to disciplinary action as determine by Pastor Robert which will include parental notification of such action. Failure to comply with these rules and or any other reasonable request could result in being sent home at the student’s/parent’s expense. If a student is not able to meet the qualifications as defined by the top three guidelines noted in **red** above, that student will be asked to not attend this trip and could be asked to forfeit their deposit or full registration dependent on any financial commitments by the church made at that time.

I have read the above guidelines and agree to these terms – confirm by signing below.

STUDENT SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

