

HIGH SCHOOL MISSION TRIP 2021

Information Packet

Eagle River Presbyterian Church

Oklahoma City, OKLAHOMA
Sunday, June 13 – Saturday, June 19

At Eagle River Presbyterian Church, we are a community of faith that seeks to be and make disciples of Jesus Christ. This year you are invited to respond to God's call to be sent as servants into the world.

Click below to watch

[WELCOME & INTRO VIDEO from ERPC & Jordan Shive](#)

NEXT STEP MINISTRIES – Mission Organization

Next Step Ministries is committed to providing opportunities for students to explore their faith, experience God, and extend service to those in need, all in the name of Jesus Christ. As a faith-based nonprofit organization, it is the goal of Next Step Ministries to provide students with the opportunity to develop and grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ, while mobilizing them to make a real difference in the world. This is accomplished during life-changing, one-week mission trips to various places across the globe.

WHERE WILL WE BE STAYING?

Southpark Baptist Church - 2900 SW 119th Street, Oklahoma City, OK

Next Step Ministries is excited to host our mission trip at Southpark Baptist Church, just a few minutes away from Oklahoma City. Here we will worship, eat meals, sleep, shower, and hang out!

NEXT STEP MINISTRIES – PDFs

Below are documents that Next Step Ministries provided to help give an overview of our trip. Click the titles to view the PDFs.

1. [Welcome Packet: Your Trip Starts Here](#) | PDF
2. [Community Information: A Glimpse into Oklahoma City, OK](#) | PDF
3. [COVID Guide: A Guide to Staying Safe this Summer](#) | PDF
4. [Next Step Ministries – Oklahoma City, OK](#) | Overview of Trip VIDEO

DAILY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY (ARRIVAL DAY)	MONDAY – THURSDAY (WORK DAYS)	FRIDAY (FREE DAY)
3:00 - 5:00 pm – Arrive at Mission Location 6:00 pm – Dinner 7:00 pm – Worship & Orientation 8:30 pm – Church Time, Small groups, Free Time 11:00 pm – Lights Out	7:00 am – Wake Up 7:15 am – Eat Breakfast & Prepare Lunch 8:00 am – Morning Devotional 8:15 am – Depart for Worksite 12:00 pm – Lunch & Devotion 1:00 pm – Resume Working 3:30 pm – Depart Worksite 4:00 pm – Free Time 5:30 pm – Dinner 6:45 pm – Worship 7:45 pm – Church Time 10:00 pm – Free Time 11:00 pm – Lights Out	8:00 am – Wake Up 8:15 am – Eat Breakfast & Prepare Lunch 9:00 am – Morning Devotion 9:15 am – Leave for Free Day Activity 4:00 pm – Return 5:30 pm – Dinner 6:45 pm – Worship 7:45 pm – Church Time 10:00 pm – Free Time 11:00 pm – Lights Out

TRIP COST & FUNDRAISING

TRIP COST – \$400

- \$100 | Non-Refundable Trip Deposit
- \$200 | Home Church Sponsorship
- \$100 | Trip fundraising: Team Fundraising and Individual Fundraising

\$100 | NON-REFUNDABLE TRIP DEPOSIT

The non-refundable trip deposit is used to reserve your registration. In addition, ERPC has to put money down in order to reserve transportation and other logistical details. The non-refundable trip deposit communicates that you are committed to going.

Scholarships and **Payment plans** are available. If needed, discuss with Jordan.

\$200 | HOME CHURCH SPONSORSHIP

ERPC is committed to supporting students to venture on mission trips that help them grow closer to God. ERPC welcomes all students to participate in ERPC mission trip opportunities regardless of church affiliation. We believe it is important for a student's home church to participate in the student's mission experience. However, if a student does not have a church home, ERPC would be happy to adopt them into the ERPC church family and provide the sponsorship for them.

\$100 | TRIP FUNDRAISING

TEAM FUNDRAISING

Only students who participate in a fundraiser will benefit from the proceeds.

For example, if 10 students participate in a fundraiser that makes \$1000, each student will get \$100 credited to their overall Trip Fundraising Goal.

FUNDRAISER DATES

Below are the dates of each fundraiser. Some preparation work may be required.

In addition, we may ask for parent help and involvement. Normally we have our fundraisers scheduled and planned, but due to COVID we will establish the Team and then create fundraisers in which all can help and participate.

MARCH: TBD

APRIL: TBD

MAY: TBD

INDIVIDUAL FUNDRAISING

- **Individual efforts** such as babysitting, pet sitting, or a part-time job.
- **Support Letters**

We encourage students to write support request letters, because it is a great way to fundraise, inform your family and friends about what you are doing, and seek their prayer support. ERPC will provide a tax-deductible form. This money raised will go toward the individual student's Trip Fundraising Goal.

TRACKING FUNDRAISING

ERPC will keep track of each student's fundraising, and will provide updates by email after each Team Fundraiser. All fundraising dollars are non-refundable. **If a student does NOT reach his/her Trip Fundraising Goal via Team Fundraisers, the student will be responsible for finding a way to reach this goal on their own, such as participating in Individual Fundraising Efforts.**

What happens if a student raises more than the fundraising goal through Team Fundraisers?

If a student raises more than the required fundraising amount, the extra amount will be used at ERPC's discretion, either applying it to another student who needs financial assistance or to the general trip fund.

TEAM INFORMATION

STUDENT ELIGIBILITY

Students who are currently in 8th through 12th grade.

ADULT LEADERS

Jordan Shive, and potentially three more adult leaders from the ERPC student ministry team will lead the trip.

HOW TO APPLY

The mission trip has limited space available. Therefore, the sooner you fill out an application, the better.

Discuss this packet as a family. If you decide to participate in this High School Mission Trip email jordan@erpc.org, and he will send an online *Student Application* form to be completed. Student applications will be due **Monday, March 1, 2021**. However, if there is room, a student can join after this date; we are just trying to get an accurate number.

Once a student's application is completed, it will be reviewed, and the student will be notified when accepted to the team. Students will be notified by **Wednesday, March 3**.

INFORMATION MEETINGS

At least one parent & student must attend an Information Meeting. Information Meetings will be online via Zoom or in-person at ERPC on the following dates & times.

Click [HERE for the zoom link](#).

- Sunday, February 7 5:00-5:30PM
- Sunday, February 14 5:00-5:30PM
- Sunday, February 21 5:00-5:30PM

IMPORTANT DATES

Monday, April 5	\$100 Trip Deposit is due
Sunday, April 18	50% of Team Fundraising is due
Sunday, June 6	100% of Team Fundraising is due
Sunday, June 6	Mission Team Commissioning during the 9:30 am service

MANDATORY TEAM MEETINGS

Attending and participating in team meetings helps the team grow as a community by spending time getting to know each other and getting prepared for our trip. Team meetings will be a hybrid of in-person and online via Zoom.

Sunday, March 14	11am – Noon
Sunday, April 18	11am – Noon
Sunday, May 9	11am – Noon
Sunday, June 6	Team Lunch with families after 9:30 worship

CANCELLATION POLICY

Once a student is accepted to the team, and the \$100 non-refundable deposit is received, we will assume that student is going. We will then reserve appropriate transportation for the size of our group, and pay their fees in full. If a student backs out of the trip after April 15, we will use his/her \$100 deposit to cover trip costs. **If we have spent more for this student than \$100 at the time of cancellation, the student is responsible for reimbursing ERPC for all money the church has spent on the student's trip up to that point.** As the date of departure grows closer, these costs will increase.