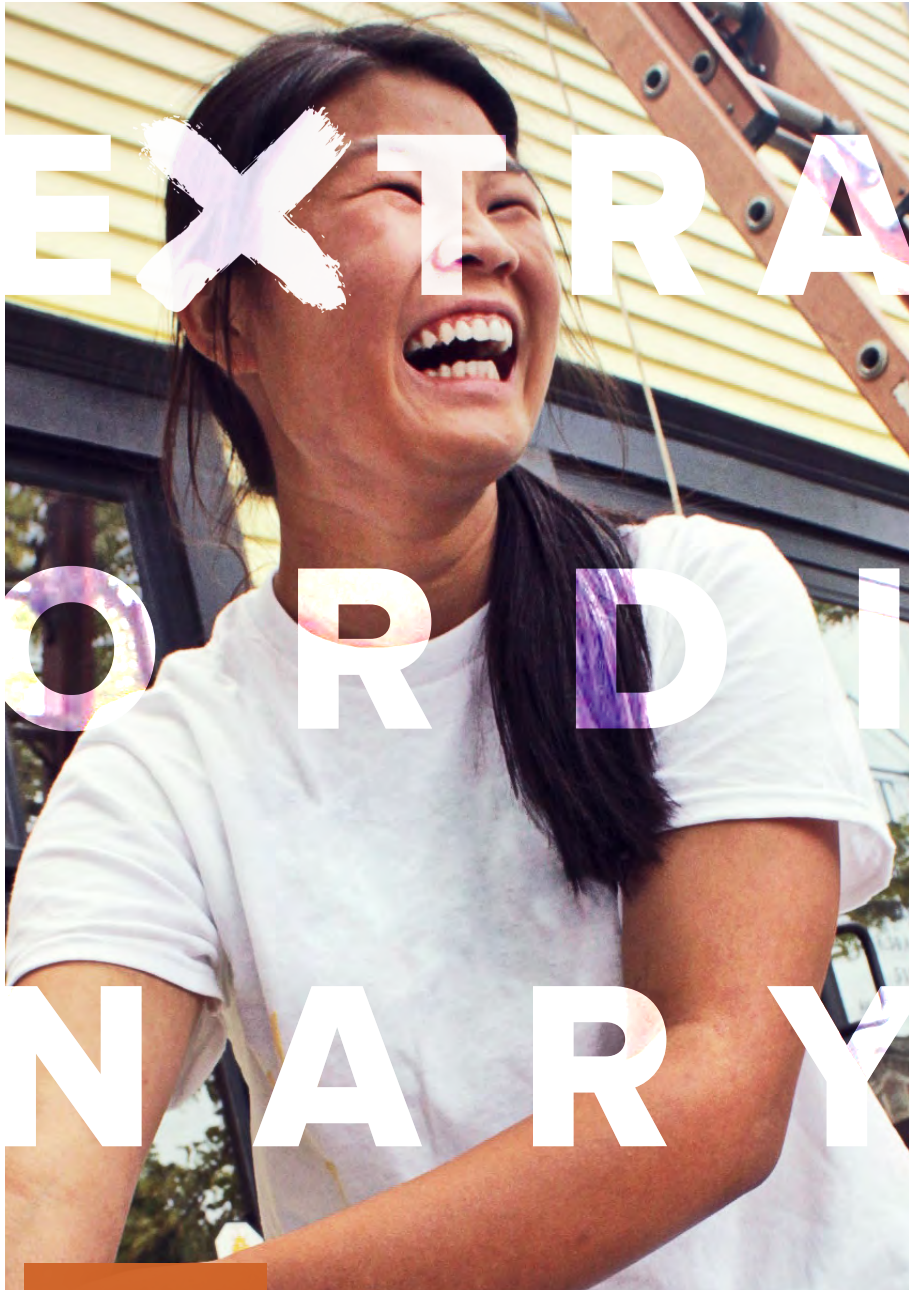


2016

YOUTH MISSION TRIP EXPERIENCES



group
mission trips

HOME REPAIR | COMMUNITY SERVICE | INTERNATIONAL

WHY MISSION TRIPS MATTER

Mission trips equip teenagers to become life-long, wholehearted followers of Jesus.

These life-changing experiences interrupt the constant busyness of sports, camps, jobs, video games, and family vacations. Instead, teenagers have the opportunity to invest in something big—something that will change their lives forever. Their relationship with Jesus comes to life. One week of service pulls teenagers out of their comfort zones. They grow in confidence and learn to actively lean on Jesus. They'll find joy in serving others, form strong bonds, and build lasting friendships.



Why Group Mission Trips Are (Extra) Ordinary

With Group Mission Trips, teenagers do more than swing a hammer or rake leaves. Our team draws from 39 years of experience to create service environments that deliver maximum impact. We partner with local organizations that provide sustainable community development. Morning and evening programs foster real spiritual growth. Denominational differences disappear as youth work together for a common purpose. Teenagers invest time and energy, and in return receive the joy and hope that come only from a life focused on Jesus. Plus, we take care of the logistics so you and your group get the most out of your experience.

**EXPERIENCE A
PROGRAM LIKE
NO OTHER**



Every year, the Group Mission Trips team dedicates extensive time and energy to create programs. We partner with Simply Youth Ministry and Group, leaders in youth ministry resources, to build a brand-new, Jesus-centered program experience for teenagers.

This summer, your youth group will discover the lives they were made to live: (Extra) Ordinary lives in Jesus Christ. He wants teenagers to bring everything they have to give, and he takes that offering and makes it into something truly extraordinary.

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“The members of the council were amazed when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, for they could see that they were ordinary men with no special training in the Scriptures. They also recognized them as men who had been with Jesus.” - Acts 4:13, NLT

**CHOOSE FROM
(EXTRA) ORDINARY
EXPERIENCES**



■ **WORKCAMPS**
HOME REPAIR

High-energy environments for serving people and communities in need, while Jesus radically transforms lives.

Starting at \$289



■ **WEEK OF HOPE**
COMMUNITY SERVICE

Teenagers build meaningful connections serving communities for a week through local ministries and nonprofit organizations.

Starting at \$229

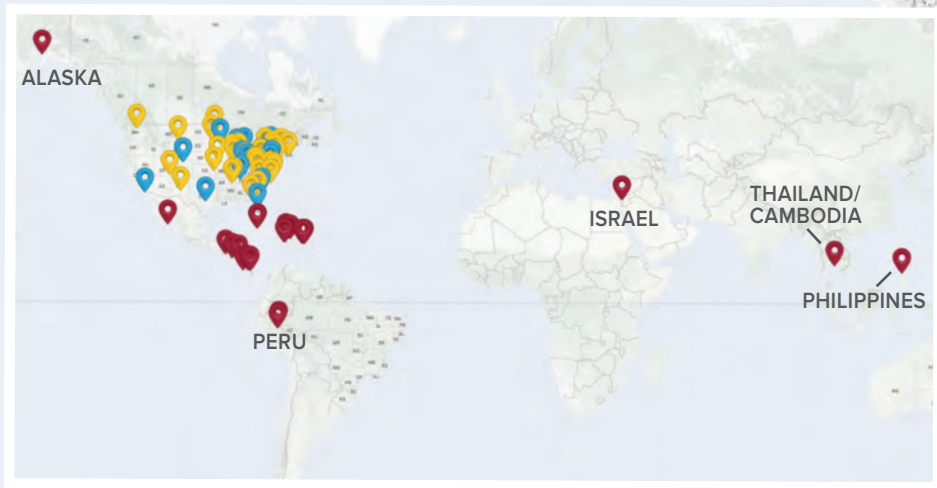


■ **INTERNATIONAL**



Cross-cultural trips give teenagers the opportunity to gain new perspective while serving people in need across the world.

Starting at \$699

TELECOMMUNICATIONS



LEGEND

-  Workcamp - Home Repair
-  Week of Hope - Community Service
-  International

(Extra) Ordinary Home Repair Mission Trips

Group Workcamps® began in 1977 in Loveland, Colorado—in response to the tragic Big Thompson River flood the previous year. Almost 40 years later, this legacy of impactful service experiences continues. High-energy and action-packed **Workcamps** produce meaningful life change. Hundreds of students from youth groups across America come together for six days to repair and transform homes—and to strengthen and transform their own faith. For shorter trips with the full impact of week-long Workcamps, check out our streamlined, 4-day experiences called **Weekend Workcamps**.

STARTING AT \$289



**A REAL STORY OF
(EXTRA) ORDINARY
IMPACT**

Unbelievable. Great accomplishment all around. Greatest experience we ever had. Kids were so nice, we would adopt them. Wish they were around on a regular basis to visit with them. We got things done that we never expected would ever get done. Neighbors stopped and complimented the job being done. Thank you all.

- Pete, Shamokin, PA

“I was confined to my home for 6 years...”



B E F O R E

“...now I have the freedom to come and go safely. I am so grateful.”

- Barbara, Midland, OH



A F T E R

(Extra) Ordinary Community Service Trips

Practical acts of love and service fill every Week of Hope. Your students build meaningful connections as they serve people through local ministries and nonprofit organizations.

Teenagers learn Christ-like empathy and compassion as they meet the spiritual, physical, and emotional needs of disadvantaged children, youth, and adults. Five days of service. A lifetime of rewards.

STARTING AT \$229



ONE TEENAGER'S (EXTRA) ORDINARY EXPERIENCE

I was a typical teen ready to head into high school and looking forward to basketball. I didn't want anything to do with God anymore, but I knew there was a God.... Summer came, and it was time to go on our mission trip. I loved the work, and I loved helping people....God was slowly working in me all week that there was more to the work we were doing. Then at the evening program we were told the Gospel story. I went home and became a follower of Christ.

- David, Yorkville, IL



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(Extra) Ordinary International Mission Trips

Serving abroad with teenagers makes an impact not only on the people you serve but on your teenagers' hearts, as well. We take the hassle out of international mission trip planning. We come alongside our grass-roots ministry partners in a sustainable way to support the local work they do year-round. Your team may build a house for someone without adequate housing. You might play with kids and run VBS in an orphanage, or help provide clean water to a community. Teenagers get out of their comfort zones to see and engage poverty, and they'll never be the same.

STARTING AT \$699



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**(EXTRA) ORDINARY
PERSPECTIVE**

This has been a great trip—the first time many of our teenagers have been out of the country—and it’s been well-run, safe, exciting, and fulfilling. Our group has experienced a widening in their understanding of who our neighbor is and how we can serve one another through relationship-building. The physical work of restoring and improving homes is a bonus to getting to know new friends.

- Pastor Renee, June 2014

GUARANTEE

“We guarantee that your kids will encounter Jesus.”

Dear Friends in Ministry,

Serving the youth of your church is a big responsibility. Thank you for everything you do for teenagers. We're grateful that you're considering taking your group on a mission trip—and even more grateful that you're considering going with Group Mission Trips. We've been creating mission experiences for youth groups for nearly 40 years, and every year we hear thousands of stories of life change from teenagers, youth leaders, volunteers, staff, and residents. I believe so much in this life-changing ministry that if you are not satisfied with your experience, I will ensure that you get your money back. Not only that, but we guarantee that your kids will encounter Jesus. If we can do anything to support you in your ministry, please let us know. We're here to serve you.

Thanks for serving and loving teenagers,

Jeff Thompson
Director of Group Mission Trips

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REGISTER

CHOOSE A GROUP MISSION TRIP

Workcamps Week of Hope International

PRIMARY CONTACT

Name _____

Please Send Correspondence to: My Church My Home

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Daytime Phone _____ Email Address _____

CHURCH INFORMATION

Church Name _____

My church has attended a previous Group Mission Trip

SELECT YOUR MISSION TRIP

First Option _____ Date _____ Fee _____

Second Option _____ Date _____ Fee _____

RESERVE SPACE

Please register a minimum of 1 adult for every 5 students. If you register both males and females, sign up at least 1 adult male and 1 adult female.

Space for participants under age 21 _____

+

Space for adult participants _____

=

Total registered participants _____

CHECK YOUR PAYMENT OPTION BELOW

Check Enclosed to Group Cares \$ _____ Please contact me for my credit card information to finalize my registration.
Check #/MO # _____



Here are three easy options for registering:

1

Call 877-768-9548, ext 2
Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

For International Trips:

Call 866-369-8691

2

Register at
GroupMissionTrips.com

3

Fill out and tear off the
attached registration form and
mail with a deposit check to:

Group Cares
1515 Cascade Ave.
Loveland, CO 80538

GROUP MISSION TRIPS STATEMENT OF FAITH

We believe the Bible is the inspired, authoritative Word of God. We believe there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We believe in the deity of Jesus Christ, in his virgin birth, in his sinless life, in his death on the cross, in his bodily resurrection, in his ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in his personal return. We believe people receive forgiveness of sin and eternal life through a relationship with Jesus.



PAYMENT POLICIES

We understand that teenagers in your ministry have a difficult time making up their minds about what they're doing every summer. Our Payment Policy is designed to give you the most flexibility when reserving your mission experience with Group Mission Trips. To make it easier for fundraising and record-keeping, we've broken your payment into three convenient steps:


Payment 1: A nonrefundable deposit (\$50 per person) is required at the time of registration to reserve space on your trip.

Payment 2: 50% of your group's remaining balance is due March 15, 2016.*

Payment 3: Your remaining balance is due May 15, 2016.**

Registration fees are in U.S. dollars and can be paid by check, money order, or credit card.

** All payments are due, finalized, and nonrefundable by the May 15, 2016, payment date.



EARLY-BIRD Registration! Register your group without having to make a deposit until October 31, 2015.

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** Deposits are non-refundable. All payments are due by and become non-refundable on May 15, 2016.

of teenagers scrapes paint from the siding of a home owned by Janet and Nathan Collins on Trent Avenue in Davenport. The group is part of the Group Workcamps program, which Christian youth groups with communities to provide help repairing and painting houses.

Church youth FIX UP HOMES

Workcamp brings more than 400 helpers to Q-C

Sam Schweiher, 15, of Carmel, Ind., uses a sledge hammer to break up concrete in preparation for building a deck at a home on Trent Avenue in Davenport. Schweiher is part of a group of

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THE WORKCAMPS HAVE ARRIVED



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Teens put faith to work in Davenport

Alex Ambhoff, 15, of Jamestown, Mo., scrapes paint Monday from the siding of a home on Trent Avenue in Davenport. He is part of a group of 402 teenagers from around the country helping to fix up about 50 Davenport homes this week.

The spirit of Christian love shines throughout its four communities in the heart and hands of 402 teenagers.

These teens and their adult leaders paid for the privilege to come to Davenport this week as part of Group Mission Trips, a nationwide outreach. This 30-year-old organization organizes working missions for youth groups of many denominations. This week, participants will be painting, landscaping, and helping Davenport homeowners improve their homes, and the Workcamp Group teens across the nation.

Members are in Racine, Wis., Seattle, Ky., Uniontown, Ind., and in other U.S. cities this month, illustrating what faith-based volunteerism looks like.

In some, we see plenty of local talent of faith-based workers every day. As long as we speak hands and hearts, we can help.



Youth help

Volunteers are helping out homeowner Suzanne Jones, 84, ce...
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Work: Volunteers help



Teens rehabilitate Mt. Vernon homes



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Group of 370 in town to help...

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YOUR TEENAGERS CAN MAKE AN (EXTRA) ORDINARY IMPACT IN 2016



By BOB JOHNSON
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COLONY — "They're awful nice kids," pushed Thelma



Helping hands

Students repair more than 60 homes in Muskegon area

BY BRADON CHAMPION
BCHAMPIO@MLIVE.COM

MUSKEGON — They've come from all over, but with a common goal in mind.

For the past week, as many as 380 high school students from across the Midwest have moved into the Muskegon area in an effort to improve the lives of the area's low-income senior citizens.

The students are part of the Group Workcamps Foundation. The foundation, founded



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and, Ohio, checks in participants of school on Monday. The about 200 participants homes throughout Mt. Vernon. The



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above: The new president o...

in Rocky Mountain National Park. Twelve inches of rain caused the river to swell and rush down the Big Thompson

of home upgrades because of disabilities or financial strains.

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Fixing house



Students repair more than 60 homes in Muskegon area



Youths' Norristown mission: A helping hand

Hundreds drop in as part of a national effort to help needy a...

By Kristin E. Haines
The wooden boards on half of her Norristown porch were so rotten that Group Mission Trips...

"If the young...
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Reserve your spots today! \$50-per-person
deposit is NOT due until October 31, 2015.

Call a trip advisor today to save your spots!

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