



## WASHINGTON DC JULY 28-AUGUST 5, 2019

### GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE TRIP:

Hosted by Dare2Share Ministries, Lead The Cause (LTC) is a week-long mission trip where students are trained as leaders for THE Cause of Christ (to go and make disciples - Matthew 28:19-20). This is a week of intensive, transformational, and practical evangelism and discipleship training that will challenge students to discover and apply Christ's call to make disciples in our student ministry, school, and community. LTC will seek to train up students who will lead their peers to reach their generation with the Gospel. Because of this focus, we will return with a specific plan and strategy for how we will bring the Gospel message to our community and student ministry here in Cedar Rapids. Students on this trip will be charged with helping implement and lead this strategy in our group, and invite other students to help us realize this strategy during the following school year.

Those who attend LTC should understand that this trip is not your typical "week of summer camp", but instead an immersive, intentional week of evangelism, discipleship, and Gospel-centered training & preparation, with hands-on opportunities and experiences that will equip and prepare us to carry on this mission when we come home. Time will be spent in large group settings, workshops, and "in the field" to learn the principles and ideas that will help us realize this mission.

This week of training will be hosted at Patrick Henry College, located in the Washington, DC metro area. We will leave Cedar Rapids Sunday morning, July 28, and spend the night at a hotel before arriving onsite at Patrick Henry College on Monday. At the conclusion of LTC (Saturday morning), we will travel to spend part of the day debriefing our week at LTC and enjoy visiting parts of Washington DC (exact areas to be determined). Saturday & Sunday night (August 3 & 4) will be spent at a hotel, debriefing and finalizing our "take home plans", and we will return home to Cedar Rapids Monday afternoon (exact time: TBD).

### TYPE OF STUDENT WHO SHOULD APPLY:

This trip is open to any current 9th-12th grade student who is regularly involved and active in the student ministry at Faith Bible Church, has expressed a commitment to and relationship with Jesus Christ, and is willing to be taught and challenged in the area of evangelism, discipleship training and growth. This trip may require students to be able to be outdoors under hot temperatures for 2-3 hours at a time (many of our daily experiences will occur outdoors in the DC area). Students must show evidence of no recurrent health problems that result in frequent hospitalization. An attitude and spirit of flexibility and understanding are important to help the group accomplish its goals. Students will be expected to uphold all LTC/Dare2Share & FBC expectations and standards for the trip, which include standard conduct and behavioral guidelines.

## **STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO:**

This trip will be led by Eric and approximately 2-3 other adult leaders from our student ministry. There is no limitation on the number of students who can attend.

## **ACCOMMODATIONS:**

While onsite, all lodging and meals will be provided by LTC/Dare2Share at Patrick Henry College in Purcellville, VA - a suburb of Washington DC. While traveling to and from LTC, we will be staying overnight at different hotels, and making arrangements to provide our own food when needed (grocery store, etc.). Students will be expected to purchase up to 6 meals while traveling.

## **TO APPLY:**

Students must complete and turn in the following:

- Application
- Mission Trip Agreement Form (part of application)
- \$150 non-refundable application deposit (made payable to Faith Bible Church)

## **DEADLINES:**

- Applications, with \$150 non-refundable deposit, is due **Sunday, February 10, 2019.**
- A second, non-refundable payment of \$150 is due **Sunday, May 5, 2019.**
- A third, and final, non-refundable payment of \$150 is due **Sunday June 23, 2019.**

Any payments not received by these dates may result in forfeiting your spot on the trip and forfeiting any payments already made for the trip.

Additional trip forms & applications will be required to be filled out for Dare2Share once payments are received, and will need to be completed in a timely manner. Failure to complete these out in a timely manner may result in forfeiting your spot on the trip.

## **PRE-TRIP TRAININGS:**

We will host 1 team training in preparation for LTC. This training will take place at a date/time in late June or early July, to be communicated at a later date. This training will provide an overview foundation for the trip, time for the group to set expectations and understanding of the trip, and build community among the group before leaving. Students are asked and expected to attend.

## **COST BREAKDOWN:**

Total Cost - \$450. This cost includes Lead The Cause registration fees, lodging (to/from Washington DC & on site), on-site meals, and transportation. Students will be responsible for up to 6 meals while traveling, snacks, and/or personal purchases they may wish to make.

### **Our Trip Vision & Approach:**

2019 (Year 1): 1 Domestic Trip + 1 Lead The Cause/Dare2Share Trip  
2020 (Year 2): 1 Domestic Trip + 1 International Trip\*  
2021 (Year 3): 1 Domestic Trip + 1 Lead The Cause/Dare2Share Trip  
2022 (Year 4): 1 Domestic Trip + 1 International Trip\*

\*A prerequisite to attend an international trip is a minimum involvement of 1 previous domestic or Lead The Cause trip with our student ministry.