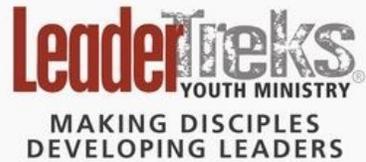


KANSAS CITY, MO

JULY 25-AUGUST 1, 2021



GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE SITE:

We will be serving in the Kansas City, MO area, partnering with Wes Wakefield, Pastor of Discipleship & Missions at The Gathering Baptist Church - Independence, MO campus. The Gathering Church has a heart for their community and the people who live there and are committed to helping meet both the physical and spiritual needs that are present there. Although Kansas City is known to be a vibrant city for its entertainment, food, and sports teams, approximately 20% of its residents live below the poverty line, along with a significant amount of refugees and at-risk youth and families in the Kansas City metro area. Our group will be able to witness this poverty first hand, see how different organizations and the local church is helping address and end the cycle of poverty in Kansas City, and have the opportunity to bring the Gospel through our words and actions. We will work with LeaderTreks, an organization devoted to developing students to fulfill the Great Commission.

MINISTRY:

Our group will be working with local ministry organizations & partners to help bring real help and support to the community. Our specific work projects and details will be determined as we get closer to the dates and may change, depending on the local needs and resources available.

Some of our ministry opportunities may include work projects (light to moderate home repair), working with refugees, at-risk children and youth, or serving at a rescue mission or soup kitchen & building relationships with residents. In addition to ministering through physical work projects and support, we will also have the opportunity to run a VBS for the kids in this community and be the agent of hope they need and long for.

TYPE OF STUDENT WHO SHOULD APPLY:

This trip is open to any current 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th grade student who is involved in the HS Student Ministries here at Faith Bible Church and is looking for a challenge. Much will be expected from each student who is involved and each student will be challenged and stretched in different ways, but the benefit and rewards will be greater and long-lasting. This trip will require students to do manual labor for 3-4 hours at a time and being able to lift or move various weights and potential building materials without extreme difficulty. Students must show evidence of no recurrent health problems that result in frequent hospitalization.

STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO:

This trip will be led by Eric and 2-3 other adult youth leaders, to be determined.

ACCOMMODATIONS:

We will drive from Cedar Rapids to Kansas City on Sunday, July 25. We will stay at The Gathering Baptist Church in Independence, MO and LeaderTreks will be providing all our meals on site, except for 1. Students will assist with food preparation, clean up, and household

chores, among other responsibilities. Upon leaving Kansas City on Saturday morning, we will spend the day in the KC area for a day of fun & team activity (potentially a day at a nearby lake/beach, or Worlds of Fun/Oceans of Fun, but will be finalized closer to departing). We will spend the night at a hotel, where we will debrief the week together and reflect on what God has taught us through our time of ministry and service together. We will return to Cedar Rapids on Sunday, August 1.

TEACHING:

Students will be involved in a nightly session of worship, along with teaching that will correlate with their morning devotionals & trip journals. We will also have nightly small group sessions to help the students process what God is teaching them during the week, a time of evaluating our activities of the day, and opportunities for personal growth and accountability.

TO APPLY:

Students must complete and turn in the following:

- A completed application with essay answers and all necessary signatures
- \$150 non-refundable application deposit (made payable to Faith Bible Church)

DEADLINES:

- Applications, with \$150 non-refundable deposit, is due **Sunday, December 6, 2020.**
- A second, non-refundable payment of \$150 is due **Sunday, March 7, 2021.**
- A third, and final, non-refundable payment of \$150 is due **Sunday, June 6, 2021.**

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 may need to be filled out for LeaderTreks 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.

TRAINING MEETINGS:

There will be at least 5 training meetings that the student must attend. These trainings will be approximately 2 hours in length and attendance is required for the duration of every meeting. Meeting times and dates are detailed on a separate sheet.

COST BREAKDOWN:

Total Cost - \$450/student. This cost includes LeaderTreks registration fees, onsite lodging, transportation, work supplies, VBS supplies, overnight hotel, fees for team activity day, and all meals at the site except for 1. Students will be responsible for 1 meal on site and 4 meals while traveling to and from Kansas City, along with any snacks, and/or personal purchases they wish to make.

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS:

Contact Pastor Eric: 319-393-7790 (church), eric@faith-cr.org (email)