

Grace UMC 9th – 12th Grade Mission Trip 2018 Registration
Clendenin, West Virginia – the Appalachia region

Saturday, June 9 – Friday, June 15, 2018

Registration & Non-Refundable \$100 Deposit Due: Sunday, January 31, 2018

Cost: \$425 - We expect the cost to be no more than \$425. This cost is possible because of monies that will be earned at Grace Extravaganza on March 2, 2018. (Partial scholarships are available; the scholarship form is available in the Youth Office and on the website at graceumc.church/youth. The form must be submitted with your student's registration by Sunday, January 31, 2018.)

Travel: We will take 15-passenger vans due to the nature of our work (several teams & destinations.)

Partner Organization: We will be working through Praying Pelican Missions (check them out at prayingpelicanmissions.org). This is the organization we worked through in Costa Rica during 2015 and 2017!! We had a wonderful experience with them internationally, and expect to have a great experience with them domestically as well.

Lodging: **A church in the Clendenin area; specific one TBD.** We will sleep on the floor in sleeping bags, air mattresses may be possible. Part of our fee to participate includes all meals which will be provided by people from the local community and church. It's an opportunity for us to support them and also to experience the hospitality that is so important to this community.

Work: We will do construction work, host parties in the park to celebrate and offer love to the families we will serve, and provide flood relief work from one that hit in 2016 and more.

Fun Day: Our Fun Day will take place on Thursday, our last day of the week. We will finish up any last details of our worksites that morning and then head out for a day of fun and time together. Students - If you want to be a part of planning this day, please email Shannon at gumyrocks@gmail.com.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

January 31, 2018: REGISTRATION AND DEPOSIT DUE! – \$100 non-refundable deposit due with registration.

Wednesdays: 1/31, 5/30 and 6/6 – 6:30-8pm GUMY HS Community Nights. All High School Mission Trip participants are **required** to join us for these community-building nights!

Monday, February 26 - Friday, March 2, 2018 (times vary). Grace Extravaganza is our annual fundraiser to support missions at Grace UMC. This event covers half the cost of the mission trips we take and allows us to keep the trips affordable for our families. To thank our congregation for their support, students attending mission trips are **required** to participate in this event AND required to sign up in advance. (We can't accept walk-up volunteers because of the complexity of the evening.) More details to come in February.

March 1, 2018: PAYMENT DUE – \$225 second payment due.

April 18, 2018: PAYMENT DUE – \$100 final payment due.

Wednesday, April 18, 2018 - 6:30 – 7:30pm. All students and leaders going on the High School Mission Trip **required** to attend this meeting, **as well as a parent**. This meeting will include final details for our trip such as packing list, fun day info, final paperwork, etc.

Sunday, June 3, 2018 – Consecration Sunday. We will worship as a youth community with our congregation at the 9:15am worship service where the participants of the 6th grade mission trip and the High School mission trip will be consecrated.

Friday, June 8, 2018 – Pack the Vans Night. We will **ALL** meet at church from 6-7pm to pack the vans with all but your pillow and small “carry-on” bag for a smooth departure the next day.

Saturday, June 9, 2018 – Departure Day. We will meet at 6am and depart shortly thereafter.

Friday, June 15, 2018 – Return Day. We will return by Midnight.