

Trinity Lutheran Church Youth Ministry Mission Trips 2012

UKANDU

Chicago, IL
June 17-23

Ysleta Lutheran Mission

El Paso, TX and Mexico
July 14-21



SNAPSHOT

PARTICIPANTS

Senior high youth
Junior high youth (with a registered parent)
Adults
Young adults & college students

LOCATIONS

Chicago, IL and surrounding inner ring suburbs
El Paso, TX and Mexico

IMPORTANT DATES

Information Meeting

November 13
12:00-1:00 pm

Registration Deadline

January 15, 2012

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WHY A MISSION TRIP?

There are many reasons someone might participate in a mission trip. In fact, the reason for going might be different for every participant.

One important reason is, quite simply, God commands us.

MATTHEW 28:19-20

¹⁹Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.

But you don't have to go on a mission trip to fulfill God's command. Mission can be done here at home.

Many have found though, that mission trips are life changing. Participants grow in their faith, connect to others in ways they never have, learn about themselves, and grow in their ability to share God's love.

Would you be open to God using you, and changing you, on a mission trip?

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

Those who have completed eighth grade by the summer of the trips may participate in either trip on their own.

Those who have completed fifth grade but have yet to complete eighth grade can participate if at least one parent is also attending.

Those who have graduated from high school but have yet to turn 25 can participate in an "assistant leader" role.

Those over 25 can participate as an adult leader.

TWO CHOICES

This year, we are pleased to offer two mission trip possibilities for the teens and adults of Trinity.

The first is Chicago. Working in cooperation with UKANDU, participants in this trip will work with 200 other people from a variety of churches to bring the love of Jesus to the people of inner city Chicago.

This is done through leading Vacation Bible School programs, house repair, building maintenance, landscaping, and more.

While on the trip, participants will participate in powerful worship experiences, eat marvelous food, and share many fun experiences along with the work they do.

The second takes place at the Ysleta Lutheran Mission. The Ysleta Lutheran Mission is located about one mile from the Mexico border in El Paso, Texas.

While on this mission trip, participants will join the Ysleta community in leading Vacation Bible School programs, helping with a hot lunch program, distributing clothing, and assisting with many of the other mission activities of the Mission.

Participants will have the opportunity to enjoy time with Mariachi San Pablo, a Lutheran Mariachi group.



Completed 5th Grade but have not completed 8th Grade =
Junior Youth Participant

High School = **Youth Participant**

Over 25 = **Adult Leader**

Graduated High School but not yet 25 = **Young Adult Leader**

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

TOTAL TRIP COST

Chicago

For those in junior high participating in the trip with a parent, the total cost is \$100. For all others, the cost is \$250 which includes a group social event, three meals per day, housing, transportation, and a t-shirt. The registration fee also covers supplies and materials used in our work projects and witnessing opportunities.

Ysleta

For all participants, the cost is approximately \$850. This includes meals, housing, a t-shirt, and an estimated amount for transportation. This also includes materials used in our work and mission projects. The price of this trip could change slightly depending on transportation cost and any social events the group would decide to participate in together.

DEPOSIT

For both trips, a deposit of \$100 is due when you turn in your registration form. Registration is due on January 15, 2012.

PAYMENT DUE DATES

Once registration is complete (form and deposit turned in), we will collect additional payments on the following schedule:

Chicago	Ysleta
March 31 \$100	March 31 \$375
May 31 \$50	May 31 \$375
	<i>+ or – depending on actual transportation cost and chosen fun activities</i>

SUBSTITUTIONS

Substitutions can be made for any participant, adult or youth, until April 30, 2012. Participants registering as a substitution should complete the same registration form as other participants, making sure to check the “Substitution” box and indicating which registrant they are a substitute for.

CANCELLATION

Each person is encouraged to find a substitute if you register and are no longer able to attend. If a substitute is found, all monies paid up to the point of cancellation will be refunded. If no substitute can be found, full refunds can be issued for any cancellation before April 30, 2012. Cancellations after April 30, 2012 will result in forfeiture of that participant’s registration fees paid up to that point.



FINANCIAL INFORMATION, continued

FUNDRAISERS & SPONSORSHIPS

A number of fundraisers will be held from January to June that will give participants an opportunity to earn money toward their trip and offset their family contribution. In addition, participants will be provided with resources and training that can help them solicit sponsorships from friends and family members.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

A financial assistance account has been established. Families can request financial assistance when they register. The amount given will depend on the number of applicants and the amount available in the account.

MEETINGS AND PLANNING

Beginning in February, participants in both trips will begin meeting together monthly to grow closer as a team and to work on trip plans together. Dates and locations of these meetings will be determined after registration closes on January 15.

REGISTRATION PROCESS

First, pray! Ask God to show you clearly which trip would be the most beneficial for you to attend. Pray that God would show you where your gifts will be able to be used by Him. Ask God to show you which trip would benefit you in your relationship with Him and with others. And, if the answer is “both” – go for it – participants can go on both trips.

When you have come to a decision about which trip to attend, click one of the links below for the appropriate form. On the screen that follows, click “OPEN” and follow the submission instructions on the form.

[Youth & Junior Youth Participants](#)

[Adult & Young Adult Participants](#)

All steps must be completed to reserve your spot in your desired trip. Submitting the form online without payment will conditionally reserve your place. If you do not submit your deposit by January 15 and your desired trip reaches the maximum number of paid participants, you will be placed on a waiting list.

