



## Memphis Mission Trip Info Packet

**Dates:** March 27th-April 1st (Sunday-Friday)

**Cost:** \$450

### **Why are we going on this trip?**

We are going in obedience to Jesus' command to go and make disciples of all nations (Matthew 28). We are going to support the ministry that God is already doing through an organization called *Street Reach*. We are also going so that students will develop a heart for both local and international missions through serving the diverse communities of Memphis.

### **What does the cost include?**

The cost includes travel (we will be driving buses), all meals (including our one off-campus meal), lodging, a trip T-Shirt, a fun outing, and ministry/training supplies. The cost does not include meals while on the road or souvenirs.

### **Who are we partnering with?**

We are partnering with a missions organization called *Street Reach*. They are a local non-profit located in the North Memphis area dedicated to serving and sharing the gospel to the impoverished communities. They primarily do this by providing backyard bible clubs for kids and students. They have been making in impact on that community for the gospel for 20 years.

### **What will we be doing?**

We will primarily be facilitating Backyard Bible Clubs in local neighborhoods. Our trip will consist of several ministry projects alongside of the Backyard Bible Clubs. Here are examples of projects that Street Reach commonly facilitates:

- Community Beautification
- Ministry Elderly/Single Mom Lawn Care
- Community Center Summer Childcare Assistance
- Nursing Home Visitation Ministry
- Brinkley Clean-Up And Repair Project
- Brinkley Heights Community Center Sports Ministry
- Mobile Sports Camp
- Activity Club
- Soccer Camp
- Prayer Walks
- Street Clean-Ups
- Block Parties
- This is just a sample. Other ministry projects will likely be included.

### **Where will we be staying?**

Teams will have dorm style facilities; bunks with mattresses (you will need to bring pillow, linens and towels). Our housing facility has restrooms with showers, a gymnasium, and meeting rooms.

### **Things to know:**

- We will be in an impoverished area. We will training you on what to expect and how to best minister in this setting
- Come prepared to work! The service projects will be hard work.

### **This trip is designed for a wide variety of ages:**

- Seventh and Eighth grade students (accompanied by parent or adult sibling)
- High school students (having completed at least the ninth grade)
- Parents of students
- College students/young adults

### **How do I apply to go on this trip?**

You can sign up by filling out a short application at [secondfamily.tv/students](http://secondfamily.tv/students). Please note that filling out an application does not automatically mean you are going on the trip. There are standards that we will hold to for all trip participants.

### **What are the trip payment and training details?**

January 9th - All applications are due  
February 1st - \$100 deposit due  
February 6th - Remaining balance due

January 23rd - Memphis Mission Team Training  
February 6th - Memphis Mission Team Training  
February 27th - Memphis Mission Team Training  
March 6th - Memphis Mission Team Training  
March 20th- Memphis Mission Team Training

**Please note: all training and balance deadlines (especially February 1st and 6th) are mandatory.**

**Can I write support letters?**

Yes! Support letters are a great way to raise the funds you will need to go on this trip.

All support letters must be submitted to Pastor Clark for review prior to being sent out by team members. Adults over 18 who write support letters must be cleared through the church's financial office as tithing members of Second Baptist Church.

Support letters must:

- a. Instruct the donors to make the checks payable to Second Baptist Church.
- b. Instruct the donors to NOT to put the person's name who the donation is to be applied to anywhere on the check.
- c. Contain a statement that all donations received will be used for other mission trip expenses and/or other participants in the event the person writing the letter does not go on the trip for whatever reason or they receive excess funds.

**What if I raised money from prior mission trips but I was not able to use them?**

You can still use them! If you raised money from any mission trips in the past that we had to cancel (Panama or Nicaragua), you are able to apply that money towards this trip.

SAMPLE SUPPORT LETTER

Dear Friends and Family,

Hi! How are you doing? I hope that God is doing as many exciting things in your lives as He is in mine! I am having a wonderful year at (name of school).

I want to share with you a challenging ministry opportunity that God has presented to me. God has opened a door for me to go to Memphis, TN this summer with a team from Second Baptist Church. After much prayer and discussion with my parents and church leaders, I have felt God leading me to pursue this opportunity. I will be a part of a ministry called *Street Reach*- a non-profit ministry that serves and shared the gospel with the impoverished areas of North Memphis. We will be part of sharing the Gospel by doing Backyard Bible Clubs and community service projects such as Community Beautification Ministry Elderly/Single Mom Lawn Care And Light Maint. Community Center Summer Childcare Assistance Nursing Home Visitation Ministry Brinkley Clean-Up And Repair Project Brinkley Heights Community Center Sports Ministry Mobile Sports Camp (For Teams With Access To Transportation Equipped With A Trailer Hitch) Activity Club Soccer Camp Prayer Walks\* Street Clean-Ups. Our goal is that our efforts in connection with the community and Street Reach would help in sharing the Gospel in Memphis.

While God has opened up a door for me to develop a greater heart of compassion for His people around the world, the exciting part is that you will be able to share in this compassion in several ways. You can help by praying for me and my fellow students. We will need prayers that God will prepare us for our visit and bless our efforts as we minister. We will also need prayers that our financial needs will be met. I need to raise \$450 to attend this trip.

Secondly, you can be involved in what God is doing in sending me to Memphis this summer through financial support. God has given me a special call to "go," and I am counting on Him to call those of you He has called to "send." I also know that He has a special team picked out for prayer support.

I understand and realize that not everyone is called to help every cause. I trust that you will hear God's voice and know if this is an area in which you can minister. If you can support me with financial help of any kind, I would be very grateful. I have enclosed a self-addressed envelope for you to use if you are so led. Please make checks payable to Second Baptist Church and do not put my name anywhere on the check. All donations received will be used for mission trip expenses. If I receive excess funds or for unseen reasons cannot go on the trip, your funds will go towards mission trip expenses.

I look forward to letting you know about all that God is doing in Memphis and what He has done in my life and the life of my team when we return home.

Thank you,

(Student's name)