

# NEW YORK

City



## WHO HAS GOD CALLED ME TO SERVE?

The Big Apple, the city that never sleeps, if you can make it here, you can make it anywhere! New York City is the most famous city in the world and is always at the forefront of culture, business, technology, and the arts.

This city is alluring and invigorating, though the fast-paced, cut throat culture can run you down. Amongst the world's riches, this city is home to a large population of people experiencing homelessness and has a 15 percent poverty rate. New York is special, there is no place like it on earth, so it needs the hope and peace of Christ more than ever. Will you come share the love of God with the people of New York?

## WHERE WILL I STAY?



- Lodging is at a partner church
- Bunk beds **are** provided
- Bring your own twin-sized bedding

## WHAT WILL I DO?



- Homeless Outreach
- City Cleanup
- Children's Ministry
- Prayer and Street Outreach
- Subway Outreach
- VBS / Sports Ministry







# PACKING LIST



## CLOTHING

- Modest clothing appropriate for daily ministry activities
- One semi casual outfit (pants/skirt and nice shirt)
- Pajamas
- Underwear and socks
- Rain jacket
- Close toed shoes, shower shoes
- Long pants for construction projects and/or homeless ministry



## OTHER

- Bible, student journal, pens
- Backpack
- Water bottle
- Travel First Aid Kit: Band-Aids, Neosporin, anti-itch cream, aloe, etc
- Granola bars, small snacks, drink mixes, etc.
- Personal money



## TOILETRIES

- Towel
- Soap
- Shampoo
- Deodorant
- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Sunscreen
- Medication
- Insect Repellent



## BEDDING

- Sleeping bag or sheets
- Blanket
- Pillow case
- Flashlight or headlamp

## WHAT NOT TO PACK

- Any item that supports a focus on appearance
- Any item that isolates people from participating with the rest of the group
- Anything you aren't willing to part with

## DRESS CODE POLICY:

It is important to remember that when you are on the field ministering, you are representing God, Adventures In Missions, and local missionaries. Modesty is the key to all clothing you decide to bring with you. If you are questioning whether or not you should bring it, then leave it at home. Here are a few guidelines for clothing choices:

1. Bring something modest to sleep in.
2. No short, tight, or clingy clothing is permitted. This means no yoga pants or leggings.
3. Sleeveless shirts and tank tops that are 2" wide are permitted on girls. No sleeveless shirt of any form is permitted for guys.
4. If you cannot raise your arms above your head or touch your toes without showing your stomach or lower back, leave it at home.
5. Shorts must come to the top of the knee. Capris or loose fitted joggers are great options.
6. Skirts and dresses should be below or close to the knee.
7. Make sure clothes are not stained and/or torn (except for clothes for painting/heavy manual labor). You do not have to wear your best clothing, but make yourselves presentable. It may be offensive to the locals if you look sloppy.

# WHY DO WE GO ON MISSION TRIPS?

**To learn how to reach people for Jesus! We practice what we learn while preparing and being on the mission trip. We then continue to do these things back home, to reach people there. Jesus wants people to spend eternity with Him. We get to participate in that. This trip will train and transform you. Time spent at the feet of Jesus results in ministry. True ministry comes from the overflow of time spent with Jesus and the leading of the Holy Spirit. It's vital that we spend time in the presence of God!**

## **Adventures in Missions 5 Objectives:**

### **1) Listening in Prayer**

You will have the opportunity to hear and discern God's voice through prayer and scripture, and then obey the direction God gave! Everyone will have opportunity to be sensitive to the Spirit's specific leading in personal ministry during the trip.

John 10:27 "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow Me."

### **2) Make a Meaningful Relationship**

Led by the Holy Spirit, you will be able to build a meaningful relationship through ministry with your host, teammates, and locals within the community. Seeking out that person each day, will demonstrate the love of Jesus.

John 15:12-15 "My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command. I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you."

### **3) Meet a Felt Need**

You will be able to respond to God's specific direction to meet a local person's practical need! This could be prayer, making a meal, giving out a hygiene kit, or perhaps a very specific answer to a prompting by the Holy Spirit during a prayer walk, for example.

Matthew 25:40 "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'"

### **4) Share Your Faith**

You will share the Good News, which is more than a Gospel presentation, or rehearsed testimony, it's your life! You will listen in prayer to know whom to share with, what to share, and how to share it. This could include a formal Gospel presentation or personal testimony.

Luke 4:18-19 "The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

### **5) Debrief & Respond**

Assisted by the Mission Leader, you will learn to identify and share (debrief) what God has done each day. Everyone will have the opportunity to respond to God in gratitude, praise, and worship. At the end of the trip, you will have a final debrief to highlight key takeaways from your trip!

Hebrews 10:24-25 "And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching."