

River Church Mission Trips 2024

Each trip is 8 days, 7 nights; Dates are subject to final approval from Convoy of Hope

TRIP COSTS: All trip costs include housing and meals while at the ministry location. It does not include snacks/drinks or meals while in transport going to or coming home from the location.

TRANSPORTATION: <u>None of the trips listed below include transportation costs</u>. Costs will be added later once transportation has been booked. Plan on an additional \$300 – 700 per person depending on the mode of transportation.

DEPOSIT: Spots are filled on a first come, first served basis once the deposit is received by the due date specified below. The deposit is applied toward the total cost of the trip. Remaining balances, including transportation costs, will be due 90 and 40 days before each trip.

April 20-27, 2024 – Adults, age 18 and up (limit 25 team members)

Marianna, FL – Field Teams may assist with a wide variety of projects, including light construction, relational ministry to under-resourced and marginalized community members, and community development.

\$365/ea, dormitory housing

\$100 deposit per person is due December 28, 2023.

½ trip cost per person including ½ transportation cost is due January 18. 2024.

Full trip cost per person including transportation cost is due March 14, 2024.

July 27-August 3, 2024 – Families, age 10 and up with accompanying parent(s) (limit 30 team members)

Rockaway Beach, MO – Teams serve alongside members of a local church through efforts to better the community, help at a thrift store, renovate a former resort to businesses to help the local economy and through other projects to help the church build momentum in the community.

\$400/ea, dormitory housing
\$200 deposit per family is due March 21, 2024.
½ trip cost per person including ½ transportation cost is due April 18. 2024.
Full trip cost per person including transportation cost is due June 13, 2024.

Checks or money orders can be made out and mailed to:

River Church ATTN: (*Location of*) Mission Trip 2024 2378 S. 14th St. Clinton, IA 52732

Please include <u>the location of the mission trip 2024</u> on the memo line of the check. If anyone else will be sending a check toward your trip, please have them also <u>include your name</u> so proper credit is given to your account. Or, you may drop off your payment(s) directly to the River Church office: Tuesday – Thursday 9:00am – 4:00pm

LOOKING AHEAD TO 2025... River Church is planning an international trip in 2025. More information will be available at a later date.



Team Member Expectations:

Once you pay your \$100 deposit your team leader will email you access to the online Missions Team website. This is where you'll complete online application forms and see updates.

After the deadline you will receive information regarding the monthly meeting schedule for team development, training, and prayer.

Team Meetings -

- All team members are expected to attend the monthly team meetings in person.
- Field Team training videos will equip us with a vision for God's purpose for missions, compassion for serving other and a heart to share the hope we have in Jesus.
- Group discussion time allows us to connect as a team by sharing past experiences and discussing our hopes and dreams for the impact we will make on those in need and each other.
- Focused prayer time with an openness to the work of the Holy Spirit.



Questions and Answers

1. What happens next after I pay my deposit? Shortly after you sign up you'll receive an email with a link to the ministry website, and instructions on how to navigate the website and fill out your online paperwork. Once the initial deadline passes, everyone going on that specific trip will receive an email about the first monthly team meeting.

2. Are the team meetings mandatory? While we understand that you may not be able to attend every meeting, we **strongly** encourage you to make an effort to attend each meeting. These meetings are meant to develop camaraderie, learn more about the mission trip, and spend time in prayer together.

3. How do I make my payments? You can mail checks or drop off cash/checks to the church (see front page). We **don't** recommend you put your payments in the church offering bucket on Sunday in order to avoid any mix-up with tithes/offerings or Kingdom Builder funds. You can also bring your cash or checks to the monthly meetings and give them to the team leader as long as it is before the deadline.

4. What happens if I have to back out of the trip? Is my money refundable? Your money is fully refundable only until the deadline for when the 1/2 trip and 1/2 transportation cost is due. After that date, the money you paid is NOT refundable and is considered a donation to the ministry we'll be serving.

5. I have food allergies, medical issues, and/or need handicap accessibility. Can I still go on the trip? Each case is considered on an individual basis. Please speak directly with the team leader to discuss your specific concern(s).

6. *How will I know if I have the skill set required for the trip?* Every trip has a project that can use people with all different skill sets. Whether you are swinging a hammer, baking a cake or praying with someone, there will be a purpose for you to fill.