



West Virginia Mission Trip

Sunday, July 16- Friday, July 21

Purpose: This trip with World Vision provides a unique opportunity to unite with your family and church for practical service and ministry to a community with significant physical and spiritual needs.

Ministry: Your week will be a combination of work projects, team activities, and free time. The work site will either be at a home, church, or community center. The type of project will depend on our group's skills and the needs of the community (anything from painting to light renovations). The week will break-down as follows:

	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Sunday	Depart for Trip	Arrive & Unpack	Worship, Teaching, Orientation
Monday	Work Sites	Work Sites	Worship, Teaching, Debrief
Tuesday	Work Sites	Work Sites	Worship, Teaching, Debrief
Wednesday	Work Sites	Work Sites	Local Church Service
Thursday	Work Sites	Work Site	Worship, Teaching, Debrief
Friday	Depart for Home	_____	_____

Accommodations: The team will stay at a local college dorm on the grounds of Alderson-Broadus College. Families will stay together in 3-room suites (2 to a room). Breakfast and dinner will be eaten at the college dining hall. Lunches will be prepared and eaten on site.

Preparation: In addition to following the payment and form schedule below, you'll need to attend several team meetings before the trip for training and team building. The day and time of these meetings will be arranged with the group.

Cost & Support Raising: Your payment covers all housing, meals, and construction supply costs. Transportation arrangements will be determined later. Each family is responsible for their own transportation, but don't forget that travel-related costs are tax deductible*. You are encouraged to send support letters to family and friends outside the church. The church will collect an offering for the trip on a specified Sunday that will be distributed evenly among the team. Cost is as follows:

- **Over age 10 – \$450**
- **Ages 5-10 – \$260**

Payment & Form Schedule: Please be mindful of the following dates for payments and other forms.

- March 5 – Registration Form & **\$50 deposit per person**
- April 9 – World Vision Volunteer Forms
- May 28 – remaining **\$400 payment** (\$210 for ages 5-10)

Registration: Please fill-in your registration form completely (one per family) and return to Donna Sue Bongardt or the office. Checks should be made out to Living Hope Church with “West Virginia” in the memo line. If you have questions, please email office@findlivinghope.com.

* <https://www.irs.gov/publications/p17/ch24.html>



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Please attach the **\$50 deposit per person** to this completed form and return to Donna Sue Bongardt or the church office by Sunday, March 5. One form per family. Make check payable to Living Hope Church with "West Virginia" in the memo line.

Names of adults: _____

Names and ages (at time of trip) of children: _____

Email _____ Phone _____

What is your experience with domestic or foreign mission trips?

Why are you feeling called to go on this trip?

Describe any training, experience, or skills you have in a specific construction trade or general construction.

Are you willing to be the Construction Coordinator and serve as the point person for the work site projects?

Would you be willing to facilitate (or co-facilitate) Living Hope's nightly debriefings/devotions?
(Devotion materials provided by World Vision)

What is your level of interest in being part of community outreach or children's ministry for three mornings during the trip?

Do you have any other special gifts or skills that you think might be a blessing to the children, adults, or churches in the community (such as music/worship, teaching, sports, business, computers, etc.)?

What is the best time for our team meetings before the trip? Before church? After church? Weeknight? Saturday?

Everyone over the age of 10 should sign the following pledge:

- We commit to pay the full cost of the trip through our own income and/or support raising.
- We will make it a priority to attend all team meetings and will review all material covered in meetings we cannot attend.
- We commit, by God's grace, to live in a Christ-like way in our attitudes, speech, and behavior while on the trip.
- We understand that, in order to meet the physical needs of the community, we will be expected to work hard and get dirty.
- We understand that, in order to meet the spiritual needs of the community, we will be expected to share our faith and pray for those we meet as God gives us opportunity.
- We intend to follow the direction and leadership of Living Hope Church and World Vision while on the trip.
