



Senior High Mission 2021
City Service Mission
Inner-City Kansas City, MO
July 4-9, 2021

Parent/Student
Meeting
Information
Packet

To Register:
eastwhiteoak.church/youthsummermissions

A Note from Pastor Walt:

Prayerfully, with the pandemic waning, our Senior High students and leaders have been given the opportunity to minister alongside God's servants in the inner-city of Kansas City this summer.

As with all things this year, this mission is subject to change due to a spread or concern of the COVID-19 pandemic or restrictions from the cities/states (we'll be in both Kansas City, MO and Kansas City, KS) in which we seek to serve.

Our group housing and service opportunities will comply with the specific cities' requirements for sanitization, masks and social distancing.

With that being said...

Our goals for this mission are as follows:

1. To be the hands and feet of Jesus as we seek to serve the poor and dispossessed while living, albeit temporarily, in an urban environment.
2. To expose our students to the needs of the city and the challenges of ministering in an urban environment, thereby helping them to know how to pray, and prayerfully serve within the urban context throughout their lifetime.
3. To form a bond of unity amongst our group and to work as a team as we seek to reach people with the love of Jesus Christ and demonstrate that love for each other.
4. To bring back our experiences in ministering and to apply them in our everyday lives, week in and week out, in the Greater Bloomington/Normal area.

Therefore, this summer's mission is not for those who are just looking for a "cool trip" this summer. This is not a vacation, and it is not just a trip. It is a mission.

This means that you should not just show up for the trip, but you are expected to be a vital participant of the youth ministries before, during, and after the mission as well. Parents, if you have any questions about this, please give me a call.

We will work with and through the Missions Organization CSM which now stands for City, Service, Mission (formerly Center for Student Missions) This is the same organization that East White Oak Youth Ministries has used previously for inner-city missions to Boston (2017), New York City (2014), Nashville (2012), Washington D.C. (2009), Toronto (2006) and Philadelphia (2004).

CSM specializes in inner-city ministries and works only through established, respected ministries and agencies in the areas in which they minister, thereby creating an extra measure of security, respect, and follow up after each team leaves the city.

NOTE: At this point, this mission is limited by CSM to the first 48 students who have their paperwork and deposit in. It MIGHT be possible to add some students after this number, but

at this point we have a limited total for students and leaders (total including leaders will be 56) and we will start a "waiting list" after the first 48 positions are filled.

Our team will leave East White Oak at approximately 9:00 am on Sunday, July 4th and travel to Kansas City, MO where we will be based. We should arrive at our ministry base before 5:00 pm CST. After we arrive, we will spend the week ministering in the city, while each night debriefing what we've learned and experienced at various landmarks and parks around the city. We will then travel back home on Friday, July 9th and arrive at approximately 5:00 pm CST.

The cost of this trip is \$450 per person which includes the cost to stay and work with CSM, all food while in Kansas City, fuel and van rental. You will need to provide your own fast-food meals (one each way for a total of two) and some spending money while in the city. CSM will also likely have shirts and other merchandise available for purchase. Generally, shirts cost around \$20.00.

Scholarships are available for this mission. If you should need one, please talk to Pastor Walt as soon as possible.

Due to the condensed time frame for implementing the mission this year, we will need to have a non-refundable deposit of \$100 on or before May 2, 2021 with the final \$350 due on or before June 6, 2021.

NOTE: Due to the COVID pandemic, if CSM should have to cancel our trip, we will get a full refund of our funds. If WE collectively (East White Oak) or individually (your student) need to cancel due to COVID and CSM has not cancelled, we/you will receive a refund less the non-refundable deposit of \$100 up until the day we leave for the mission.

Please see the East White Oak COVID waiver for procedures if a student or leader becomes ill while in Kansas City.

Please check out the enclosed info, pray it through, and then get your registration info and deposit in!

As always, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Serving Christ together,

Pastor Walt Baertsch

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Mission 2021 Details in Summary Form:

Mission Location: Kansas City, MO and surrounding area

Mission Organization: CSM – City, Service, Mission (csm.org for more info)

Dates of the Mission: Sunday, July 4, 2021 – Friday, July 9, 2021

Total Cost: \$450

- Non-Refundable Deposit of \$100 due on Sunday, May 2, 2021
- Final Payment of \$350 due Sunday June 6, 2021

Traveling by: East White Oak Buses/Vans, trailer and/or rental vans

Housing: Kansas Christian College Dorms (two to a room with a restroom shared by two rooms)

Extra Money: Souvenirs, meals to and from Kansas City (one each way) and possible CSM T-shirt (optional)

Sample Schedule: Found within this packet. THIS IS NOT AN ACTUAL SCHEDULE and things will change.

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Sunday (Arrival Day)	5:00 pm	Arrive at CSM Housing, Orientation
	6:30 pm	Dinner at Indian Restaurant
	11:00 pm	Lights out
Monday (Day 1)	7:30 am	Breakfast and Devotions
	9:00 am	Serve at Men's Shelter
	1:30 pm	Serve at Kid's Summer Camp
	6:00 pm	Dinner at Puerto Rican Restaurant
	7:30 pm	Prayer Tour
	9:30 pm	Debrief
	11:00 pm	Lights Out
Tuesday, (Day 2)	7:30 am	Breakfast and Devotions
	8:30 am	Serve at Food Pantry
	1:30 pm	Serve at Kid's Summer Camp
	6:00 pm	Dinner at a Middle Eastern Restaurant
	7:00 pm	Hand out sack lunches to homeless
Wednesday (Day 3)	7:30 am	Breakfast and Devotions
	9:00 am	Serve Meal at soup kitchen
	1:30 pm	Serve at Kid's Summer Camp
	6:00 pm	Dinner and Worship Night
	11:00 pm	Lights Out
Thursday (Day 4)	7:30 am	Breakfast and Devotions
	8:30 am	Serve at Block Clean-up Ministry
	1:30 pm	Serve at Kid's Summer Camp
	6:00 pm	Dinner at Thai Restaurant
	8:00 pm	Debrief
	11:00 pm	Lights Out
Friday (Departure Day)	8:30 pm	Breakfast and Devotions
	9:00 am	Evaluations, cleaning, pack, load vans
	10:00 am	Depart for home!

(The following has been taken directly from CSM's website. See – csm.org)

CSM –

Our Mission:

To provide an effective urban ministry experience that transforms lives, influences churches and communities, and honors Christ.

Our Vision:

We envision an urban missions movement: a generation of God's people equipped to lead, compelled to serve, and committed for a lifetime to the often-forgotten in their communities.

Core Values:

We conduct ourselves at all times as ambassadors of Jesus Christ. We value our staff by training, developing, supporting, and recognizing them. We provide authentic benefit to the serving group participants. We provide authentic benefit to the urban ministries we serve. We raise funds with integrity and utilize the financial resources entrusted to us responsibly.

Our Promise

We will provide trained hosts that know the neighborhood, manage logistics, and allow you to freely serve with your students.

You will help communities thrive by engaging with our long-term partners to ensure that your service makes a real difference.

CSM staff will communicate with you before, during, and after your trip so you can be confident about the details and design of your group's experience.

Your students and youth leaders will experience an environment of respect and acceptance by CSM staff.

Your group will be connected to meaningful service opportunities that will impact their worldview and faith. Our partnerships and ministry experiences are relationally based and focused.

We commit to prioritizing your safety. Our experienced team has built relationships, knows the area, and will keep you safe.

You will gain a new perspective of the people and culture of the city as you see where God is already at work and inviting us to join.

CSM - What We Do

We help you experience a city.

Living firsthand among the sights, sounds, smells, and textures of urban life is an irreplaceable experience. Our housing is located in the heart of their respective city, providing you with the opportunity to eat at local international restaurants and discover the delights of Salvadorian, Middle Eastern, Filipino, African American, and other cuisine.

We help you learn a city.

There are unique issues and problems that each city faces. There are also unique and incredible things God is doing to foster and further His Kingdom in each city, through the indigenous organizations that operate on the front lines of urban ministry. You'll learn what city dwellers face, and how to overcome challenging circumstances.

We help you help a city.

By offering your time, energy, and prayers, ministry sites are supported and built up to their full potential of service. You will be integrated into a variety of hands-on service opportunities to ensure that your time is spent supplying substantive help to God's people in the city.

CSM Statement of Faith

- We believe the Bible to be the inspired, the only infallible, authoritative Word of God.
- We believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- We believe in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father and in His person return in power and glory.
- We believe that for the salvation of lost and sinful people regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential.
- We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life.
- We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost; the saved unto the resurrection of life and the lost unto the resurrection of damnation.
- We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus Christ.