

STUDENTLIFE

SUMMER MISSION TRIP CINCINNATI

INFO PACKET



On a mission trip, we will learn about God's work and God's people around the world. We will be stretched to serve and use our gifts in new ways and in a different context and develop a global perspective of God's kingdom. We are potentially launching into a life-changing experience.

On our mission trip experiences we want our students to explore the unfamiliar and have the opportunity to embrace a new community! Our students will learn from key city ministry leaders and will learn about kingdom leadership along the way.

Studentlife Mission Trips provide a great way, in a safe environment, for students to gain skills they will use as adults:

Leadership – Students will be assigned to a supervised crew where they will fulfill a specific role and work together to complete a service project or repair a home for a resident.

Teamwork – Students will come together with people that have different backgrounds, working as a crew to accomplish a goal that is bigger than each of them individually. They will make a lasting impact by providing a source of hope to those they serve.

Problem Solving – Students will work with others where they may encounter obstacles, such as miscommunication or difficult people. Every year students find creative and clever solutions to accomplish their tasks.

Confidence – Students will learn they can work with many different people to serve and accomplish huge tasks they thought they could never do on their own. Many students arrive thinking they do not have the necessary skills or cannot do this without parental assistance, and leave knowing they can positively influence and change lives.

Compassion – Students will get a great perspective by working with people from different walks of life which may be different than those they come into contact with at home. The reward is as lasting for them as it is meaningful to those they serve.

Spiritual Growth – Students will have morning devotions and daily group time that will help guide their faith in Jesus. There will also be times to discuss all they are experiencing with our group in the evening.

Students who have attended mission trips have said they grew closer to God, grew closer to others in their youth group, and couldn't wait to attend another trip! Parents have seen their kids come home excited, positively impacted by their service experience, and committed to continuing their spiritual journey with Jesus.

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DATES

July 11-17, 2021

Departing Brooklife on Sunday, July 11. Arriving back to Brooklife on Saturday, July 17. Actual times will be determined and communicated closer to departure date.

JULY

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SAMPLE TRIP ITINERARY

SUN.	MON. - THU.	FRI.	SAT.
TRAVEL DAY	8AM 9AM-12PM 12PM 3:15-5:45PM 6PM 7:30PM 10:30PM	BREAKFAST WORK PROJECT LUNCH FREE TIME/GROUP OUTING AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM DINNER GROUP SESSION FREE TIME/GROUP OUTING LIGHTS OUT	GROUP FUN DAY TRAVEL DAY

LOCATION INFO // CINCINNATI

Population

Population in 2019: 303,940 (100% urban, 0% rural)

Weather

July averages 86 high/66 low

Average Income (in the area we will be serving, Price Hill)

\$25,256/year

Poverty Rate Data

32% of children are below the poverty level

Learn More

<https://www.city-data.com/city/Cincinnati-Ohio.html>

MINISTRY PARTNER // BLOC

Learn more at - <http://www.onebloc.org/>

BLOC Ministries short-term service and missions opportunities provide deep and meaningful experiences for teams. The Mission of BLOC Ministries is to build relationships with our neighbors and share hope in brokenness. Teams get to partner with us in this mission by serving alongside the people of Price Hill and our staff in hand picked projects and relational activities such as after school programs and our food pantry.

SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

Final service opportunities will be determined based on our group size.

All Mission Experiences are catered to our team's needs and abilities. We will have a hand-crafted itinerary for our trip. Some of the activities could include:

Building project (rebuilding/repairing decks, light construction)

Playground repair/construction

After-school programs

Soup kitchen

Food pantry

Community cookouts

TEAM INFORMATION

BLOC

BLOC Ministries will have multiple trip leaders that will be with us and lead us for our entire mission experience.

Studentlife Leadership

Estimate of 10 adult leaders. These leaders include - Studentlife Pastor, Studentlife Admin, a Certified Nurse, along with multiple Studentlife adult volunteers that will have significant roles such as worship leader, cook, small group leader, driver, etc. All adult leaders are regular/consistent Studentlife leaders and have been screened and have current background checks on file.

Studentlife Students

Students currently in grades 8-12 are able to register for this trip. We currently have space for 30 student participants.

TEAM LEADERSHIP

Studentlife Pastor - Joey Bluel // jbluel@brooklife.org // 262.470.0938

Mission Trip Coordinator - TBD //

Nextgen Admin - Diana Sadler // dsadler@brooklife.org

TEAM MEETINGS

There will be 2 team meetings. Attendance by participants and a parent/guardian is required. If you cannot attend a meeting please inform Joey or Diana.

Meeting 1 // Sunday, April 11 // During Second Service (10:30am)

Basic overview of trip.

Meeting 2 // Sunday, June 27 // During Second Service (10:30am)

Details of trip.

COST // \$400

WHAT IT COVERS	
Transportation	15 passenger vans
Housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In a church equipped with dorm style housing Safe and secure with youth trips in mind Guys & girls have separate wings Air mattress's Bathrooms and showers are on-site
Meals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Majority of meals are provided, see below for details on which meals are <u>not</u> provided Studentlife Leader dedicated to providing meals Team will be on a rotation to help prepare meals, and cleanup afterwards Kitchen is on-site
Training & Leadership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dedicated BLOC staff members that will be with our group for the duration of the trip Training and coaching by BLOC staff members
Work Projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Materials for projects
Group Outing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ticket to Kings Island
Trip Insurance	
T-shirt	

WHAT IT DOES NOT COVER	COST ESTIMATION
Spending Money	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students are encouraged to bring some spending money. This can be used for anything, including snacks/drinks, souvenirs, extra activities during free time (for example: games at Kings Island) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suggestion - No less than \$5 per day
Travel Day Meals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We will stop for a meal on our way to Cincinnati (fast food) We will stop for a meal on our way back to Wisconsin (fast food) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suggestion - \$10 per meal
Group Outing Day Meal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> At Kings Island students will need money to purchase their own meal/snacks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suggestion - \$10
Bedding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bring your own bedding

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Deposit	\$100	Due: Upon Registration
Payment	\$100	Due: April 25
Payment	Remaining Balance	Due: June 6

PERSONAL FUNDRAISING

Individuals are responsible to pay for their trip. Many individual fundraising options are available for those that choose to raise support. Some of the most effective ways to fund your trip, and/or raise support, are listed below. In the event that participants are in need of additional funds, after fundraising efforts, please contact Joey.

- *Personal support letters (a sample support letter will be emailed to participants)*
- *Reduce your extra spending (coffee, eating-out, entertainment, etc.)*
- *Collect and sell unwanted items online*
- *Students that have the capability to work part-time are encouraged to consider that as an option*

All deposits/payments/contributions:

- *Are tax-deductible, non-refundable and non-transferable*
- *Should include the trip info - Studentlife Mission Trip*
- *If paid by check make payable to Brooklife Church*

HEALTH INFORMATION

No immunizations are required by the U.S. State Department

Consult your personal physician for recommendations

Optional - visit a travel clinic or check out [cdc.gov](https://www.cdc.gov)

COVID INFORMATION

BLOC Ministries follows the guidelines set by the state of Ohio, which currently means:

- Wear masks at all of our programming
- Try to enforce social distancing at programming
- Temperatures taken and hand sanitizer given when entering programming

BLOC Ministries works hard to keep volunteers and staff as safe as possible

For more details about covid recommendations for the state of Ohio, visit

<https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/home>

GET STARTED // REGISTRATION

- Complete online registration: <https://brooklife.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/744613>
- Registration opens at 12pm on Sunday, February 28
- Start raising financial support
- Registration closes on March 14, or when 30 participants have registered

QUESTIONS

Phone - (262) 378-4470

Email - jbluel@brooklife.org

Social Media - Studentlife262

Packing List

Complete and updated packing list will be provided closer to trip date.

A good attitude

Luggage *No more than:*

- 1 Suitcase/duffel bag
- 1 Backpack
- 1 Purse

Bedding

- Pillow
- Sleeping bag, or bedding

Clothing *Enough outfits for duration of trip*

- Clothes for work projects *That you don't mind getting dirty/ruined*
- Casual clothes for each day
- Sweatshirt or light jacket
- Gym clothes for free time & games
- One "nice" outfit for church *Similar to what you would wear at Brooklife*
- Pajamas

Shoes *As long as they fit in your bag, you can bring them. It doesn't matter if you bring 5 pairs or 1 pair, as long as your shoes allow you to participate in everything we do.*

- Shoes for work projects *Closed-toe shoes that can get dirty/stained*
- Casual shoes
- Athletic shoes

Personal Hygiene Items

- Body wash, shampoo, conditioner
- Deodorant
- Toothbrush, toothpaste
- Towel
- Recommended - shower shoes/crocs, sandals

Other

- Bible, notebook, pen *Phones are permissible if you prefer*
- Sunscreen
- Multiple Face masks/coverings
- Water bottle
- Prescribed Medications *Talk to trip leaders if you plan to bring prescribed medications*

Optional

- Hat, sunglasses
- Spending Money
- Snacks
- Cell Phone

Do Not Bring

- Bad attitude
- Tobacco, drugs, alcohol, vapes, weapons
- Inappropriate clothing
- Fireworks, water-balloons
- Skateboards, roller-skates, roller-blades... *okay, if it has wheels, don't bring it*



QUICK FACTS

COST

\$400

DATES

July 11 - 17

AGES

Current 8th Graders - Current 12th Graders

TRAVEL

15 Passenger Vans (est. 6hr drive)

HOUSING

*Dorm style, separate guys & girls wings
bathrooms, showers, and kitchen on-site*

MEALS

We will be preparing our own meals

IMPORANT DATES

FEBRUARY 28

Registration Opens

FEBRUARY 28 // AT TIME OF REGISTRATION

\$100 1st Payment

MARCH 14

Registration Closes

APRIL 11

First Team Meeting

10:30am @Brooklife (Second Service)

APRIL 25

\$100 2nd Payment

JUNE 6

Remaining Balance Due

JUNE 27

Second Team Meeting

10:30am @Brooklife (Second Service)

JULY 11

Depart

JULY 17

Return