

Youth Ministry Summer Missions

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Application for Scotland Mission Trip

COST: \$3,750

We welcome Scotland Mission Trip applications from rising 11th through current 12th grade students. Some general guidelines:

- In either 10th, 11th, or 12th grade
- High level of involvement in the church – regularly attending Sunday morning worship and/or youth ministry events

Your completed application form must be received in the Youth Office by **Thursday, February 26th**. **This deadline is strict.** Please include a **\$150** deposit to *First Presbyterian Church – Youth Ministry Missions*. If you are accepted, your deposit will be applied towards the cost of the trip. If you are not accepted, your deposit will be refunded. No application will be accepted without the application fee.

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Parents' Name(s): _____

Parent Phone: _____ Student Phone: _____

Parent Email: _____ Student Email: _____

Address: _____
(city) (state) (zip)

School/Grade: _____

What is our mission?

Loving Christ, loving our team, learning a new culture, and leaving an impact for the kingdom. This trip is a great opportunity to have your faith in Christ stretched, display a unity that is rich and attractive to those we encounter, seek God's heart for the nations, and bless a local church as they seek to serve their community.

What are we doing?

We will be serving with Grace Church Leith and other local Free Church of Scotland churches to put on VBS styled day events at differing locations. This will culminate in us facilitating a 2 day weekend retreat at a nearby conference center for the younger students of these churches (similar to our Bonclarken weekend retreats).

Where exactly will we be?

Grace Church is located in Edinburgh, Scotland and the Canty Bay conference center is about an hour from Edinburgh.

When is the trip?

The trip is from July 31st – August 9th however, students must be in town on July 30th for one last planning meeting where we will go over last minute details, and reconnect after a summer of being in many different places.

If I am not selected or can't make these dates work, how else can I serve this summer?

- Since space is very limited, please know there are other ways to also serve this summer if you are not selected or are unable to make the Scotland dates work. Our Appalachia mission trip is July 4th – 10th and is a wonderful opportunity to serve and grow!
- Our youth ministry will also assist with the FPC VBS June 8th – 12th where students will have the opportunity to serve as crew leaders, with recreation, crafts, etc.

1. Briefly share how you came to a personal faith in Jesus Christ.

2. How are you presently growing in your knowledge of and love for the Lord?
(i.e. Bible Study, personal devotions, etc.)

3. Briefly share what the gospel is and why it is important to talk about it with others.

4. What are your greatest strengths and greatest weakness? How would they affect you on this trip?
5. How well do you work as a member of a team? Give three specific examples.
6. What do your parents think of you going on this trip?

7. Have you had experience serving on a missions trip or in a missions setting before? If yes, please list all examples and what your role was. (VBS, Camp Joy, Bonclarken, Appalachia, Young Life, Middle School In City missions, etc.)

8. Give the name, email, and phone number of one person (not a relative) who could give an honest evaluation of your relationship to Jesus Christ and your ability to work well on a team.

- Example: Young Life leader, Bible study leader, teacher, mentor, Camp Bonclarken/Joy supervisor, etc.

Name:

Relationship to student:

Email:

Phone:

9. Do you have any allergies, illnesses or other health problems which would affect your performance on this team? (For example, are you taking any medications of which your leaders need to be aware?) If yes, please explain:

Consider the Cost of Short-Term Missions

Fund-raising is an integral part of your short-term mission experience. Don't let money keep you from applying for a short-term trip ... This could be an opportunity for God to show you how big He is!

Detailed fund-raising guidelines and materials are available. Here are some inevitable costs that are your personal responsibility and separate from the cost of the mission trip.

- PASSPORT
 - Required for all trips out of the continental U.S. Apply now for your passport!
 - *You should allow six to eight weeks for your passport to arrive.*
- PERSONAL EXPENSES
 - Meals in airport to and from destination
 - Snacks/Coffee/Food outside of daily meals provided
 - Gifts and souvenirs

Funding your trip:

Sources of funds

Trip cost: Please check all that apply*:

_____ I will pay for the entire trip with my personal funds.

_____ I plan on raising some support, but will expect to pay a portion out of my personal funds.

_____ I hope to raise support to cover the entire trip.

*Your answer to this question does not affect your chances of being selected for this trip. It simply helps us plan for how we will receive payment for this trip.

Short-term trip scholarship

The World Missions Committee (WMC) desires that many FPC members will chose to participate in a cross-cultural short-term missions trip. As a result, students chosen to participate on this mission trip will have the opportunity to request financial support from the WMC. The scholarship will account for \$1,000 of the total cost due. In order to receive this scholarship, students chosen for this trip must complete the scholarship request form and meet with members of the WMC.

I understand that applying does not guarantee my position on the mission team. If I am accepted, I understand the requirements to be the following, and agree to fulfill these requirements and to be a positive participant on the mission team.

1. Commit to loving the Lord, loving the team, loving the church, and loving those we minister to.
2. Include \$150 deposit with this registration.
3. Raise all financial support needed.
4. Send out at least 20 financial/prayer support letters.
5. Attend all team meetings

Signature:_____ Date:_____

Parent Signature:_____ Date:_____