

May 24, 2010

Hello New Orleans Team!

Are you about ready? I am! I'm getting more and more excited about our mission adventure south to the *City of Saints*! I'm writing today to give you the final details for our trip. Read all of this carefully and, of course, be praying for God's direction and energies for a wonderful and safe trip. I'll see you here bright and early on Monday, **June 21st at 6am!** Don't hesitate to contact me with any questions at all (todds@fumc-cs.org).

God's Love!

Todd

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**What To Bring:**

Completed Medical Form and Behavior Form (downloads off website under Youth pages; [www.fumc-cs.org](http://www.fumc-cs.org)), sleeping bag, air mattress, pillow, swim suite and towel (pack in daypack on first day), clothes for 6 days (doing laundry while we're there), work gloves, work shoes (toes must be covered), hat, sunscreen, water bottle, towels, toiletries, approximately **\$125** for 12 simple meals on the road and for doing laundry and souvenirs. We are expecting hot days, so keep that in mind! Girls, please *no spaghetti strap tops or short-shorts*.

**Youth on the Team:**

Rachel Baggs, Sarah Ballard, Sam Ballard, Alyssa Beverly, Rose Bockarie, Connie Davis, Rebecca Derryberry, Will Derryberry, Rachel Garcia, Bekah Ingram, Grace Karber, Chell Manken, Derek Martin, Dakota Martin, Martha Nweke, Chase Pairan, Aspen Pairan, Alisha Scales, Kim Southcott, Matt Southcott, Desyree Starr, Logan Wieland, Taylor Wieland

**Adult Leaders on the Team:**

Rev. Todd Spencer, Melissa Burns, Paula Derryberry, Richard Derryberry, Jenny Karber, Mary Loveday, Adelino Valentin

(See Trip Schedule attached)

# Schedule

**Monday, June 21st:** Meet at FUMC, north entrance at **6am**, pack vans and trailers, leaving at 6:30am. Pack your swimsuit and towel in your carry-on daypack (driving straight to swim-party tonight). Driving to Oklahoma City area this day to stay the night at **Wickline UMC in Midwest City (405.732.0356)**, in their brand new Family Life Center. We'll be the first outside guests to use it! That night, we will have a swim party/cookout at the home of Sid and Pam Terry, close friends of mine from my days serving in Oklahoma. We're driving straight to the swim party/cookout, so again, pack your swimsuit and towel in your carry-on daypack.

**Tuesday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>:** We'll be driving to Shreveport, LA this day, staying the night at **FUMC Shreveport (318.424.7771)**.

**Wednesday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>:** We'll be driving to New Orleans and getting settled in at the **North Rampart Community Center (NRCC)** where we'll be lodging for the next 5 nights and serving. NRCC Info:

**North Rampart Community Center**  
**1130 N. Rampart Street**  
**New Orleans, LA 70116**

**Thursday, June 24<sup>th</sup>:** Our first day of service, we'll be joining the NRCC Summer Camp kid-os for a day at the **Zoo!** What a fun chance to get to know our New Orleans crew.

**Friday, June 25<sup>th</sup>:** This day, we'll be **leading the entire Summer Camp** in a fun day of rotation-activities – Opening Songs/Stories (Adelino sharing his Indian flute, and we'll sing a few songs), Arts & Crafts (tie-dye stuff, led by \_\_\_\_\_ and youth), Story Time (reading stories about Colorado Springs and Colorado, led by \_\_\_\_\_ and youth), Computers (internet scavenger hunt, led by Jon Reimer and youth) and Recreation (big group games, led by Melissa Burns and youth). Fun and memories will be made!

**Saturday, June 26<sup>th</sup>:** We will be **working on the NRCC's facilities**, doing minor repairs, painting, hanging cabinets, cleaning and the like.

**Sunday, June 27<sup>th</sup>:** We'll worship that morning and then spend the rest of the day **completing work on the NRCC's facility** and do our **laundry**.

**Monday, June 28<sup>th</sup>:** We'll load, clean the dorms and head for Austin, Texas, where we'll stay two nights at **FUMC Austin (512.478.5684)**.

**Tuesday, June 29<sup>th</sup>:** **Our day for play!** We will be taking in all of the sites and activities all around central Austin. It's a beautiful city for lots of fun.

**Wednesday, June 30<sup>th</sup>:** We'll pack and clean our space, then head for Amarillo, TX where we'll be staying one night at **Polk Street UMC (806.374.2891)**.

**Thursday, July 1<sup>st</sup>:** Leaving Amarillo and heading for home! We plan to be home before **7pm** that evening.