

Parent and Chaperone Essentials



Welcome to PASSPORTmissions

We are excited to have you join us this summer for a week of fun, faith-building ministry. PASSPORTmissions is designed to help you discern the talents, passions, and avenues of service God is calling you to exercise. Here is some information to help you make the most of your time at PASSPORTmissions.

What NOT to Bring:

- Firecrackers, bad attitudes, shaving cream for a purpose other than its intended use, balloons that can be filled with water, tobacco products, illegal drugs, firearms, alcohol... all the usual no-no's. Campers will be held responsible for property damage and/or clean-up costs incurred.
- We ask that all electronics be switched off and put away while at camp. This is a rule designed to allow youth to focus on God, camp, relationships and themselves - not games or music.
- Taking up the Biblical idea of rest from work as an important part of life's cycle, we are inviting our campers to join us for a week of Digital Sabbath. This means we will not permit our campers to have cell phones/electronic devices during camp. Our staff will ask to monitor this during the week. If they see a camper with a cell phone/electronic device they will collect it and give it to the group leader. Students will hand over these devices on opening night of camp, and they will be returned on Friday morning. Please help us in enforcing this rule, as it will enrich the camp experience.

Mission Projects

Projects vary by location but may include:

- Painting, scraping, and cleaning the homes and yards of senior citizens
- Projects with local service agencies like community food banks and Habitat for Humanity
- Providing educational and recreational programs to disadvantaged children
- *Note: Closed-toe shoes and shirts with sleeves (no tank tops) are required for Mission Sites. Be sure that students bring clothes and shoes that can get dirty on site. Many sites call for paint and cleaning materials that could soil or damage clothing and shoes.*

General Dress Guidelines:

Campers and adults should dress modestly and appropriately, according to their size and developmental stage, the entire week of camp. While at camp, please take into consideration the following guidelines:

- Modest shorts, shirts, & swimsuits
- Properly fitting clothes
- Please avoid low-riding, short and/or revealing clothes
- No clothing with inappropriate language/advertising
- Clothing should not stereotype or make fun of any person or culture.
- Shirts with sleeves & closed-toe tennis shoes are required for mission projects.
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This year, the Costume Dance is Jersey Jam. See your group leader about ways you can dress up and participate.

Checklist

Medical Release Form

2 copies of Passport's form OR
Passport's form and your church's form

Clothes

Plenty of T-shirts and shorts, some nicer clothes for worship (including a pair of pants, skirt or dress), costume for the dance

Shoes

At least one closed-toe pair for
Rec Party and Mission Projects,
a pair for other activities

Towels and Linens

Because bed sizes vary, we
recommend sleeping bags; males
usually need twin sheets, and
females usually need full or double
sheets. Towels (hand and bath),
washcloth(s), pillow

Toiletries

Soap (for the sink and shower),
shampoo/conditioner, deodorant,
toothbrush, toothpaste, other personal
hygiene items

Bible and pen/pencil

Alarm clock or watch (Phones will be
taken up by Group Leader as part of
Digital Sabbath.)

Mission Project Items

T-shirts with sleeves (required), work
gloves, bug repellent, water bottle,
sunscreen, hat, and appropriate
closed-toe shoes

Some money for the mission
offering and camp store

PASSPORT requests that all leaders monitor their group's clothing. Adults and campers are asked to dress for the culture of camp. Everyone should wear clothing that is modest and respectful to the agencies and individuals we are serving as well as to the overall camp environment. PASSPORT staffers will not be monitoring clothing choices.

DO
justice
LOVE
kindness
WALK
humbly

Daily Schedule

Breakfast

Morning Devotions

Morning Celebration

Bible Study

Missions
(Lunch included)

Free Time
(Optional free time
activities offered)

Supper

Worship

Party

Night 1:
Step Right Up! Rec Party

Night 2:
Jersey Jam Dance
(Costume needed at the dance)

Night 3:
Church Group Free Time

Night 4:
PASSPORT's 25th Annual
Variety Hour

Church Group Devotion

In Rooms

Our theme verse for 2017 is:

“...what does the Lord require of you but to do justice,
and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?”
Micah 6:8 (NRSV)

Faith does not have to be complicated, but there are requirements. Following Jesus with our lives demands action. To expect justice we must learn to recognize and intercede on behalf of the oppressed. To be kind often means putting others' needs first. And walking humbly only happens when we stop looking for acknowledgment. Faith in Christ is simple, but that does not mean it is always easy.

Mission Offering:

Giving a cup of clean water is one of the most tangible ways to share the love of Christ in the world. Over a billion people on the planet do not have access to safe drinking water on a daily basis. This summer campers will participate in offering Living Water through sharing clean water in the country of Malawi. Students will learn about this beautiful country and the important work of accessing clean water. They will be invited to water a garden, give a cup of clean water, put a loo in a school, or serve up some fresh fish for families in Malawi in the “warm heart of Africa.”

Please make your youth aware of this time of offering during worship on the last night of camp, and join us in praying for this opportunity to give.

To Adult Chaperones - Thank You for Serving!

We appreciate the time and effort you are giving to make a difference in the lives of your church's youth. Your number one priority as a chaperone, whether on a mission site or any of the other great choices, is safety supervision.

For the well-being of campers and adults, PASSPORTmissions requires all participating churches to conduct a background check on their chaperones. Your group leader will give you more information. Thanks for your help keeping all our participants safe!



Camp Contact Information

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View camp photos
after the session:
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