



KENTUCKY



Dates	Location	Type	Cost
March 18 –14, 2020 July 19 –25 , 2020 July 26 -August 1, 2020 October 18 - 24, 2020	Floyd County/Wheelwright Floyd County/Wheelwright Floyd County/Wheelwright Floyd County/Wheelwright	Family/Intergenerational Family/Intergenerational Family/Intergenerational Family/Intergenerational	\$515 per person plus \$100 for construction (Transportation not included)
Group Size: 15—100			participants

Where are we going?

We are working in Wheelwright, located in the eastern part of the state of Kentucky in the Appalachian mountain range in Floyd County. Kentucky is part of the Cumberland Plateau of the Appalachian Mountain Range. It has a rich cultural heritage beginning with the mound-building Adena Indians, through the civil war, to the coal camps that sprang up and faded as fast as the coal could be mined. The region is now a center for art and music through the Mountain Arts Center.

This area has many aspects of beauty from its lush wooded mountains to its colorful inhabitants that call this their home. With all of the beauty of the mountainous landscape there are mountains of challenges that the communities and families face daily. The median income for a household in this area is \$14,808 and about 40% of the population lives below the poverty line. The needs can range from roofs leaking, homes needing insulation, and families struggling to provide the basic necessities.

What are we doing?

Teams will work alongside the community; improving living conditions and opening doors to share Jesus. The majority of the mission week will be spent on home renovation projects. Most of the homes we encounter are in disrepair and will benefit from the work of loving hearts and hands. Projects can include roofing, installation of vinyl siding, windows and doors, constructing a wheel chair ramp, giving an elderly person easy access to their home, building a deck, painting and general clean up.



You will learn about the Appalachian culture with its strong emphasis on family values. By participating in outreach events such as Kids' Club (VBS), Mega Sports camp and community outreach cookouts, you'll build relationships as you interact with the people in the community.

Food, Lodging, and Travel

Participants are expected to provide transportation to and from the mission site, as well as travel between the housing site, work projects, outreach activities and the day-off event.

Teams will stay at the Mission Big Creek Center, which is set up with separate bunk rooms for women and men. Showers and restroom facilities are available. Depending on the size of the team, we could stay at the local high school, where teams will stay in classrooms and be asked to provide air mattresses for sleeping. The high school has adequate shower and restroom facilities for larger teams. Meals are prepared by local cooks.

On the day-off, teams have several options available, both free and fee-based activities, which include the local pool, whitewater rafting, canoeing or time spent at a state park.



Is it safe?

Trip safety is extremely important to World Servants and our host community. Kentucky is considered very safe and we do not anticipate any safety issues. Be assured, World Servants will not hesitate to cancel or suspend a trip if appropriate.



Registration

Please register online at www.worldservants.org by April 1, 2020

Questions?

Please feel free to contact Stephanie Boyd, World Servants' Director of Appalachia, at sboyd@worldservants.org or 304-677-9681, if you have any questions.



World Servants is a worldwide, interdenominational organization. For almost 30 years, we have sent people to communities around the globe to be learners, servants, and storytellers open to the works and teachings that God has prepared. Mission participants are challenged and developed through learner-driven cross-cultural training and dynamic short-term mission projects. These projects have a long-term impact both on volunteer participants and local communities while assisting these communities to become self-sustaining and interdependent. Our hope is participants will be inspired to continue to serve people in need upon their return home. We believe as people develop as servants and leaders, they implement servant hood into all areas of life: business, family, community, congregations, government, and international relationships.