

St. Andrew UMC Youth 2012

Mission Trip Deposit/Commitment

Printed Name _____

Phone Number _____

- Mixed Mission I** March 24-31, Belize (\$800) -- \$100 deposit due Jan. 1
- Mixed Mission II** May 26 - June 4, Guatemala (\$800) -- \$100 deposit due Jan. 1
- High School mission** June 23-July 1, Joplin, MO (\$300) -- \$100 deposit due Feb. 1
- (The above three trips are offered only to youth currently in grade 9 and older)

- Middle School mission** July 16-20, Ten Sleep, WY (\$125) -- \$50 deposit due Feb. 1
- (The middle school trip is offered to youth currently in grade 6 and older)

Please complete and return to St. Andrew Youth Ministry **no later than January 1 for international trips and February 1 for domestic trips**. Some trips will fill up quickly, so a timely application is important! A deposit of \$100 and **TWO** recommendations are due with your form for Mixed Mission and high school trips. Mini-Mission requires a \$50 deposit and two recommendations. Recommendations must be from an **adult (five years or more older than the youth)** who is **not related to the youth and is not a church staff person**. Recommendations are an opportunity for youth to connect with other important adults in their lives; please look at this as a means for personal growth rather than a chore! Participant cost of each trip is estimated above; a successful April 22 youth auction is important to keep costs at these levels. Scholarship money is available in cases of financial need by contacting the youth staff.

Mission Trip Pledge

I want to serve God through participation in the mission trip experience(s) selected above. I am willing to attend planning sessions prior to the trip, pray regularly for all involved, participate fully in every aspect of the experience, and adhere to all rules.

Participant's Signature _____

I/We pledge to support our youth/young adult prayerfully and financially as they participate in the designated mission trip.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Parent e-mail address _____

PLEASE COMPLETE THE BACK PAGE

Please fill out completely. Use additional paper if needed.

I want to be part of a St. Andrew 2012 mission trip experience because:

The following are characteristics that I think describe me (circle the five most accurate):

- * Accepting * Committed * Energetic * Enthusiastic * Flexible * Fun * Friendly
- * Positive Attitude * Hardworking * Helpful * Leader * Mature * Participatory * Relational
- * Respectful * Sensitive * Understanding * Unselfish * Open Minded
- * Willing * Servant leader * Honest * Forgiving * Thankful * Generous

Also marked are characteristics where I feel I have the most room for growth (underline five among the selections above)

Read

2 Timothy 3:14. What are the important convictions in your life? How do your personal convictions lead you to be part of a mission trip?

2 Corinthians 5:17-19. How are you becoming a new creation in Christ? How do you expect this mission trip to help continue creating the person God has called you to be?

Psalms 117:1-2. Can a mission trip be an opportunity to praise God? How do you expect your love for God, and God's love for you, to be affirmed by this experience?

I believe that I will be a valuable addition to this mission experience because:

Mission Trip Recommendation

(Must be completed by adult, at least five years older than the participating youth, non-relative, non-St. Andrew staff person)

Please complete and return to: St Andrew United Methodist Church, Youth Mission Recommendations, 9203 S. University Blvd, Highlands Ranch, CO 80126 or e-mail to camis@st-andrew-umc.com. (303) 794-2683.

Recommendation for : _____(name)

How long, and in what capacity, have you known this person?

Please list five strengths you believe will make this person a great addition to a mission team:

Please list five areas you believe this applicant has room for personal growth.

Do you have any concerns about his/her participation in an intense, physically and emotionally challenging work team experience? (If 'yes', please explain)

Please rate the applicant, according to the following scale:

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| 6 - Outstanding | 4 - Satisfactory | 2 - Poor |
| 5 - Good | 3 - Fair | U - Unknown |

- ___ Ability to work cooperatively with others
- ___ Ability to participate in planning and decision-making as part of a group process
- ___ Ability to listen to others and communicate effectively in response
- ___ Ability to sense and respond to the feelings and needs of others
- ___ Comfort level in new situations
- ___ Understanding of the importance of safety in difficult work situations
- ___ Problem-solving capabilities

Please add any additional information on the back of this form.

Name _____ Phone Number _____

E-mail Address _____

Relationship to Student _____