

SUMMER MISSIONS TRIP

July 28th - Aug. 3rd

(for students who have completed 7th — 12th grade)

COST: \$800.00

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About the Philadelphia Project

The Philadelphia Project (TPP) is all about making tangible the transforming power, presence, and love of God. In every aspect of our ministry this is true; it is the glue that holds our organization together. Our children's programming and partnerships exist to transform the early lives of kids, infusing the life-giving power of the gospel into the hearts. Our youth and young adult programming (Club) exists to give students an opportunity to get into the presence of God and begin to understand God's love for us as demonstrated by Jesus. Our home repair ministry exists to physically transform the homes of our partner families and spiritually transform the atmosphere of those homes. Our mercy ministry programs are intentionally designed to partner with organizations in the city that make a lasting, transformative impact on the people they serve. We know that the Christian life begins with the transformation of our hearts, and we know that it doesn't end there. Christianity isn't a 'get out of hell' free card. It is an opportunity to partner with the Creator in transforming the world around us into God's likeness and bringing the Kingdom of God closer to earth.

Because of this, The Philadelphia Project offers a unique and powerful service and mission opportunity for ministry groups. We challenge students to serve wholeheartedly in our community and to think critically about how God's Word speaks to social and spiritual issues. Our prayer is that God uses these experiences to make an eternal impact on your students and those they serve, as well as a visible impact offering hope and restoration to our community.

Where is the Philadelphia Project?

The Philadelphia Project is located in the Roxborough neighborhood of Philadelphia. Roxborough is a multi-cultural neighborhood that has an equally diverse representation of age, ethnicity, economic status, as well as **residential and commercial buildings**. We are located at **8230 Ridge Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19128**.

Application Process

All applications will be reviewed and then will be subject to approval. Once application is approved, a \$50 deposit is required to hold your spot on the trip. ***Please note:*** a submitted application *does not* mean automatic admission to the trip.

Why participate?

At the Project you will have the opportunity to explore your understanding of God's heart for others. You will physically offer hope and healing to a community in need, and you will daily be challenged to deepen your walk with Christ through a time of worship and reflection.

How will my students learn?

- Personal encounters with our neighbors
- Time with God in His Word each day
- Group & individual prayer experiences
- Debriefing our service experiences
- Interactive & creative Bible teaching
- Sharing within small groups
- Worshiping God simply & from the heart
- Mentoring, caring, and listening by our staff
- Discussing biblical views on racism, justice, and what God wants us to do

SCRIPTURE STUDY

The Philadelphia Project develops a creative Scripture-based curriculum that engages students several times a day. Our staff are equipped to lead youth through this Scripture theme and are passionate about seeing them grow in faith and knowledge.

LIFE ON LIFE

Discipleship happens in the context of relationships. That's why The Philadelphia Project is committed to providing an environment where you can continue to disciple your students. As we live, learn and serve together, our staff along with your youth leaders will teach and model what it means to follow Christ.

URBAN MISSIONS

As an urban ministry, we are excited to share about God's heart for the city. Our hope is to broaden youth's understanding of urban America and global missions, recognizing that over half the world's people live in cities (and that number is growing). We approach these ideas from a biblical perspective, and believe they are important for the lives of teenagers everywhere.

URGING A LIFESTYLE OF SERVICE

Our deepest hope is that teenagers will return home and choose to serve right where they live. Your ministry in Philadelphia will have a real and long-lasting impact, but the real work begins once you get home. We pray for a generation of young people committed to standing up for justice and demonstrating the love of God through word and action.

Where will we eat, sleep, and bathe?

All meals, with the exception of dinner on Wednesday night, are provided throughout the week. Students are welcome to bring snacks. TPP is *unable* to accommodate dietary restrictions, but please indicate in your applications what dietary restrictions you have. If participants have dietary restrictions they are encouraged to bring their own food with them and a refrigerator and freezer space will be provided to store food during their stay. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please contact Jim Taylor at jtaylor@calvaryefc.com

We will be sleeping in TPP's long-term housing location (a former college dormitory). The dormitory does not have air conditioning available. Participants will sleep on bunk beds with a mattress and needs to bring bedding (pillow, sheets, sleeping bag, and/or blanket).

Participants will shower each afternoon at the end of their ministry day. Showers are located at our housing site.

Snapshot of a day

Students will begin their day with a buffet breakfast, followed by devotions. Afterwards, they will travel to the work site where they will spend approximately 6 hours working at their chosen project; lunches are eaten at the work site. At the end of the work day, everyone will return to the facility where they will have the opportunity to shower and eat dinner before the evening activities. All students will participate in club worship, a nightly program with lively worship music, speakers, fun and games, small group interactions, and more.

Dress Code

Participants are on mission at all times: at ministry sites and at the housing facility. A lot of advance work has been done to ensure that residents of the community know who we are and why we are there. We are closely watched. How we dress is an important part of our witness. Participants should make a special effort to wear clothes that are modest and appropriate for the work to which we have been called.

- Sleeved shirts are to be worn by all participants at all times (no tank tops, spaghetti straps, or midriffs) at ministry sites, the housing facility, and on the way to and from the showers. If the sleeves are torn off the shirt, it no longer meets the code
- Everyone must bring at least one pair of long pants. Pants made of heavy cloth, like denim, is preferred.
- Shorts are acceptable at most ministry sites and the housing facility. Shorts should be modest in length. No short shorts
- Participants are to be fully dressed in accordance with this dress code anytime they are outside their assigned room at the housing facility. Shorts or long pants and sleeved shirts are required in hallways, in worship, and en route to showers and restrooms
- Durable shoes with closed toes must be worn at all ministry sites. Sandals are not acceptable. Shoes or boots with heavy soles are recommended for construction projects

Student Life Cell Phone Policy

- Our cell phone policy is currently under review

Ministry Team Options

There are 4 different areas of ministry that students can choose from to serve in for the week. Students will be asked to give their first and second choice of ministry.

Church Ministry: Students will serve with one of TPP's church partners. This may include evangelism, labor projects for the church community members, or canvassing the neighborhood for an upcoming event

Construction Ministry: Students will be completing different construction projects at the homes of the homeowners that TPP serve and at churches they partner with. Students may spend time hanging drywall, painting, hauling debris or building walls.

Kid's Ministry: TPP partners with a couple of different kids camps. When students sign up to serve at a kids camp they will be assigned to a specific age group for the week and have the chance to bond with those students.

Mercy Ministry: Students who serve with Mercy Ministry will be serving at a different ministry/organization that TPP partner to help them and the incredible work that they are doing for the city of Philadelphia. Students may spend time feeding the homeless, cleaning at a homeless shelter, or sorting food at a food bank.

Stenton Family Manor: This will be a week serving kids at a family shelter by participating in their daily lives. Your day might include games and activities, reading books, painting nails, doing hair, or time spent at the public pool. This track is probably the most relational option. You will come away connect to these kids and their families.

Participant Expectations

While participating at The Project I will see to demonstrate my love for Christ and for others by agreeing to...

- **Commit to learning more and sharing the Gospel.** Through participating in my group's youth ministry and pre-trip meetings, I will open myself up to learning how to learning more about Christ, service, how to share the Gospel and take advantage of the opportunities presented to me to share the Gospel.
- **Seek to grow in prayer life and community.** I will seek to grow in my prayer life and in my relationship with those in my youth group.
- **Keep myself healthy.** I agree to not use tobacco products, alcoholic beverage, or illegal drugs. I will eat a well-rounded meal at all meals to give my body the energy it needs to serve hard all week.
- **Maintain a safe environment for myself and those around me.** I agree to not have possession of or use any firearms, pocketknives, or weapons of any other kind.
- **Work to the best of my ability.** I commit to working to the best of my ability because I know and understand that I am here to serve others and my attitude and work ethic affects those that I am serving and those in my team.
- **Follow the dress code.** I agree to bring clothes that comply with the dress code. I will dress, at all times, in a manner worthy of an ambassador of Christ.
- **Stay in designated areas.** I agree to stay with the group at all times. I understand that I cannot leave the ministry site or housing location without the permission of one of my group leaders. Note: Girls' will not be in the boys' rooms, and boys will not be in the girls' rooms.
- **Respect the privacy of others.** I understand that others' possessions must not be tampered with or taken. I expect others to grant the same measure of respect to my privacy and possessions.
- **Maintain a clean environment.** I will do my best to keep all areas of the housing facility clean and free from trash and clutter. I will respect the property and grounds serving as "home" for all participants for the week. I understand that any property I damage will be my personally responsibility.
- **Demonstrate a Christ-like spirit.** My attitude will be like that of Jesus (Phil 2:5).

I have read the responsibilities listed above and the dress code and agree to follow them during the weekend I am participating with the Project.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Name: _____

Your registration to attend The Philadelphia Project is your commitment to accept and abide by the guidelines and responsibilities outlined in the Participant expectations.

Packing List

Clothing & Accessories:

- T-shirts (**NO Tank-tops, spaghetti straps, or muscle shirts (for guys and girls, leaders and students)**)
- Shorts (**These must be modest in length**)
- Jean and/or long pants (everyone needs to bring at least 1 pair)
- Pajamas
- Closed-toe shoes for ministry sites
- Undergarments
- Hat and/or Bandana
- Flip flops for around the housing site and showers, but **NOT** at the worksites
- Sweatshirt/sweater (for in the evenings) - optional
- Swimming suit (A **modest swimsuit, i.e., tankini or one piece is required** for girls. The pools we swim at will not allow shirts to be worn in the pools.)

Toiletries:

- DEODORANT**
- Shampoo
- Soap/body wash
- Towel
- Toothbrush/toothpaste
- Other personal hygiene items

Miscellaneous:

- Bible
- Journal/notebook
- Spending money. We recommend that each person have \$50
- Sunglasses
- Beach towel for swimming
- Refillable/reusable water bottle** - every participant **MUST** have a water bottle with them the entire week, TPP does not give out plastic cups (*I would bring more than 1 bottle*)
- Ipods, cell phones, electronics may only be used during **free time**, but we recommend leaving them at home.
- Sleeping bag or sheets and blanket. (Everyone will sleep on a mattress)
- Pillow
- Plastic garbage bag to store dirty clothes

Leave at Home:

- Expensive personal items
- Drugs, alcohol, tobacco products, fireworks, firearms, knives, and weapons of any kind - **No Exceptions!**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday (Outreach)	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>3:00-4:00 Arrival</p> <p>4:30 Leave for Roxborough</p> <p>5:00 Orientation</p> <p>5:30 Leader's Meeting & Youth @ games</p> <p>6:00 Dinner</p> <p>7:00 CLUB</p> <p>8:45 Huddles</p> <p>9:30 Snack & return to NCC</p> <p>10:00 Quiet Hours</p> <p>10:45 Lights Out</p>	<p>7:45 Group A Breakfast/ Group B Devos</p> <p>8:10 Group B Breakfast/ Group A Devos</p> <p>8:35 Pack Lunches</p> <p>8:45 Dismiss to Service Sites</p> <p>9:00-3:00 Work at Service Sites</p> <p>3:00-5:00 Shower/Free Time</p> <p>5:00 Leader's Meeting</p> <p>5:30 Leave for Roxborough</p> <p>6:00 Dinner</p> <p>7:00 CLUB</p> <p>8:45 Huddles</p> <p>9:30 Snack & return to NCC</p> <p>10:00 Quiet Hours</p> <p>10:45 Lights Out</p>	<p>7:45 Group A Breakfast/ Group B Devos</p> <p>8:10 Group B Breakfast/ Group A Devos</p> <p>8:35 Pack Lunches</p> <p>8:45 Dismiss to Service Sites</p> <p>9:00-2:00 Work at Service Sites</p> <p>2:00-4:30 Showers/Free Time</p> <p>4:30 Leave for Wissaickon Church</p> <p>5:00 Dinner/Outreach Meeting & Setup</p> <p>5:30-7:30 Outreach</p> <p>7:30 Clean up</p> <p>8:00 Chapel</p> <p>9:30 Snack & return to NCC</p> <p>10:00 Quiet Hours</p> <p>10:45 Lights Out</p>	<p>7:45 Group A Breakfast/ Group B Devos</p> <p>8:10 Group B Breakfast/ Group A Devos</p> <p>8:35 Pack Lunches</p> <p>8:45 Dismiss to Service Sites</p> <p>9:00-1:00 Work at Service Sites</p> <p>1:00 Return Intern & Go to Night Out!</p> <p>10:30 Return to NCC</p> <p>10:45 Lights Out</p>	<p>7:45 Group A Breakfast/ Group B Devos</p> <p>8:10 Group B Breakfast/ Group A Devos</p> <p>8:35 Pack Lunches</p> <p>8:45 Dismiss to Service Sites</p> <p>9:00-3:00 Work at Service Sites</p> <p>3:00-5:00 Shower/Free Time</p> <p>5:30 Leave for Atoneament</p> <p>6:00 Dinner</p> <p>7:00 Chapel</p> <p>8:45 Huddles</p> <p>9:30 Snack & return to NCC</p> <p>10:00 Quiet Hours</p> <p>10:45 Lights Out</p>	<p>7:45 Group A Breakfast/ Group B Devos</p> <p>8:10 Group B Breakfast/ Group A Devos</p> <p>8:35 Pack Lunches</p> <p>8:45 Dismiss to Service Sites</p> <p>9:00-3:00 Work at Service Sites</p> <p>3:00-5:00 Shower/Free Time</p> <p>5:00 Leader's Meeting</p> <p>5:30 Leave for Roxborough</p> <p>6:00 Dinner</p> <p>7:00 Covenant Night</p> <p>8:45 Huddles</p> <p>9:30 Snack & return to NCC</p> <p>10:00 Quiet Hours</p> <p>10:45 Lights Out</p>	<p>8:00 Breakfast</p> <p>All bags should be packed before breakfast!</p> <p>8:30 Cleanup Rooms and NCC</p> <p>9:30 Head for Home</p>