

JYF (6th – 8th graders) Mission Trip to Baltimore **Sunday, August 5 – Saturday, August 11, 2012**

II. Mission of service projects: To make and nurture disciples of Christ

III. Vision: To spend a block of time where our youth will experience the community of Christ and be encouraged to respond to God's call to service in the world.

IV. General Information:

- **Housing:** *Pearlstone Conference and Retreat*
Stay in the Family & Teen Center – separate floors for boys and girls
Linens and towels provided and changed on the third day.
- **Service:** We will lead Vacation Bible School at the Franklin Square Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club. Afternoons will be spent at homeless shelters, soup kitchens, senior citizen center and Maryland Food Bank.
- **Sightseeing:** We will spend one afternoon visiting the Baltimore Aquarium and the Inner Harbor.
- **Meals: Breakfast:** Breakfast will be provided in the dining hall at the retreat center.
Lunch: We will make our lunches each day at the Boys and Girls club.
Dinner: We will eat at different local/ethnic restaurants each evening.
- **Witness and Spiritual Activities:**
Youth will lead evening devotional times and morning Bible studies.
Friday night, we will participate in our own closing worship service.
- **Witness to our Congregation: Sunday, August 12, 2012**
Youth and advisors attending our mission trip are expected to come to worship to share our experiences and to thank our congregation for supporting us financially and by their prayers.

V. Mission Trip Expectations:

- Commit to **ATTEND** most of our PREP sessions
- Adhere to our group covenant (to be developed)
- Packing the vans in the evening: Saturday, August 4
- Assist at several of our fundraisers throughout the year
- Attend church to share our experiences: Sunday, August 12

VI. Approximate Cost Per Person:

JYF:	<i>Pearlstone Retreat Center</i>	\$ 200 (includes housing and breakfast)
	<i>Lunches and dinners</i>	\$ 175
	<i>Van rental</i>	\$ 50
	<i>Sightseeing activity</i>	\$ 30
	<i>Prep session costs</i>	\$ 20
	<i>Materials for VBS</i>	\$ 20
	<i>Snacks for VBS</i>	\$ 15
	<i>Gas, tolls</i>	\$ 20
	<i>Miscellaneous</i>	\$ 20
	<i>(Pocket money additional)</i>	
	Approximate Total	\$ 550

Cost per youth:	With Fundraising	Without Fundraising
Deposit/Registration form received by 4/1	\$300	\$550
Deposit/Registration form received after 4/1	\$350	\$600
Participants in 4-H Fair (attending mission trip from August 5-7)	\$100	\$350

- **Financial Aid:** Indicate on the registration form if financial aid is needed. Anyone receiving financial aid is expected to help with fundraising.

VII. Fundraising Discount: To receive the **\$250 discount**, families need to:

- **Donate 2 items** per family for the May 4th Youth Auction (\$50 value towards total discount)
- **Sell 2 tickets** per family for the May 4th Youth Auction (\$50 value towards total discount)
- **Each youth AND a parent must work TWO Patriots games.** (\$150 value towards total discount)

We have committed to work six games to help raise funds for our mission trips. TD Bank Ballpark expects a minimum of 35 volunteers per game. If you are able to help with more than the two games, it would be greatly appreciated!

Dates are:

Sunday, April 29	1:05 pm game	Sunday, June 17	1:05 pm game
Wednesday, June 27	7:05 pm game	Sunday, July 1	6:05 pm game
Tuesday, July 24	7:05 pm game	Saturday, August 14	11:05 am game

Plan to arrive 2 ½ hours before game to help sell food.

VIII. “Bowling for Bucks” scheduled for March 18th. This fundraiser is an optional way for you to raise money. Pledges collected for this event will be deducted from **YOUR** total cost for this trip.