Questions and Answers

What does the cost cover? The tuition we charge helps cover most transportation, materials used in the ministry, meals Monday -Thursday and lodging. A large portion of the trip costs are covered by monetary donations and materials from individuals and churches.

Where will I stay? The team stays at the Bluefield College Dormitories in Bluefield Virginia. The rooms are typically single or double occupancy. About half the rooms available to us have AC and most volunteers who prefer ac rooms are accommodated on a modified first come first serve basis. Typically, the weather is moderate, and AC isn't necessary. We do our best to work with volunteers to match their needs to the rooming assignments so that everyone is comfortable. Some volunteers choose to stay in local hotels and receive a discount equal to our cost for the campus housing.

Where will I eat? You will provide your own meals on the days of travel and Sunday. Some churches or teams provide Sunday lunch. Monday through Thursday breakfast is provided at the College cafeteria. Typically, you will eat with your team cooks will provide lunch and Supper Monday through Thursday.

How will I travel? You will travel either with a group (most likely a church van or bus) or you may elect to drive your own vehicle. If you choose to drive, you will be responsible for all associated costs.

How do the teams work? We have two kinds of teams...VBS teams and Construction teams. Some of our teams are made up primarily of volunteers from a single church while others are paired up with volunteers from several churches. We will work with you so that you are positioned in a place where your gifts can be utilized and where you will be comfortable. Once you are assigned to a team, you will work with you on planning and logistics.

What do I need to bring?

Love for Jesus

Towels/Wash cloths

Bed Linens or sleeping bag for twin bed. Bath mat, one per bathroom

Possible light blanket if you are bringing sheets

Pillow

Willing Heart

Clothing for daily activities, (you might want to pack at least one pair of long pants for those cool mornings)

Construction - Work clothes. Closed toed shoes on the work site

Rain Gear

Light Jacket/Sweater/Sweatshirt – it can be cool/cold some mornings

Sunday Morning dress is like what you would wear at your church

Toiletries

Flexibility

Fan for your room (At least one per room in the non a/c dorm, no guarantee that Walmart will have enough if you wait to purchase it there.)

Money for meals while traveling to WV and home. This also includes Saturday evening, Sunday breakfast

Money for any additional snacks or activities your team decides to do

Desire to share Jesus with others

Laundry detergent – dorms have washers and dryers – They have been free for the last several years so I am assuming that you won't need quarters for laundry.

Ability to encourage others