

**First Presbyterian Church of Martinsville:
Summer Mission Trip 2008
Morehead City, NC: June 15, 2008
Deadline to Sign Up: Tuesday May 6, 2008**



The Basic Information:

When: June 15-20, 2008

Where: Morehead City, NC (On the coast of North Carolina)

What: MORE Program at First Presbyterian Church, Morehead City (MORE stands for Mission, Outreach, Relationships, and Education).

Who Can Participate: Youth who have completed grades 6-12. You may invite a non-church member to join us on the mission trip.

You Pay: \$55.00 for the week per youth.

More Details:

How We Can Keep the Cost So Low: The church will pay around \$200 per mission trip participant, which covers our meals, lodging, transportation, supplies for our mission work, and the MORE program's registration fees. We will have a youth fundraising dinner to raise money. The church's budget also supports a portion of the cost of the mission trip.

Deadline to Register: **Tuesday May 6, 2008.** Must have signed medical release form/registration form (if you have not already turned one in) along with \$55.00 fee turned in by May 6th.

More about the MORE Program: The MORE program offers the opportunities for youth groups to participate in a missional retreat in the beautiful Morehead City, NC. The MORE program hosts a number of groups throughout the year, including every week during the summer. There may be another youth group staying there with us the same week (such as the group from Delaware that

worked with us in Lexington, KY in 2006). You may visit the program's website for more information at: <http://www.firstpresmhc.org/More%20Program.html>

Sample Work Projects: Rather than working on the same assignment for the entire week, you will have an opportunity to work for a few hours at a number of different work sites. Here are a few examples:

1. Martha's Mission: a food pantry.
2. Boys and Girls Club: working with at-risk youth in their summer program.
3. Hope Mission: preparing and serving a meal at a soup kitchen, where you will have a chance to interact with the guests.
4. Habitat for Humanity: home construction
5. Outdoor Environmental Education: We will be at the beach after all! We will have a chance to learn about how to care for God's creation.
6. Many more exciting worksites.

Where We Will Be Staying: First Presbyterian Church of Morehead City. The church has a large Fellowship Hall, kitchen, washer and dryer, showers and bathrooms, a youth room, and Sunday School rooms for sleeping. The Fellowship Hall has a full size Volleyball court and basketball hoops; the youth room offers a pool table, ping pong table, and a foos ball table.

Sleeping Arrangements: There will be separate sleeping rooms for girls and guys. Each youth will be responsible for bringing his or her own sleeping bag. There will be a few air mattresses available, but many of our youth may also want to bring their own air mattress.

We Request Your Help: With the Fundraising Dinner, which will have a beach theme. **The dinner will be Sunday April 13, 2008.** We will need youth to decorate, set up, and clean all afternoon on April 13 with our guests arriving for dinner at 6:00 p.m. At the dinner, youth will serve as waiters and waitresses, bussers, and members of the kitchen crew.

We Want and Need Adults to Join Us!: This trip is open to adults, middle school, and senior high youth. We hope that several parents or other adults will join the advisors and Jody. This could be a wonderful parent-child bonding experience to go on this mission trip together.

Sensitivity Training/Expectations for the Trip: Our entire group will meet for an orientation session on Wednesday, June 11th, at 5:00 p.m. That evening we will have time for a meal and fellowship together, Bible study and spiritual preparation, to discuss how we can be sensitive to those we will be serving on the mission trip, to share what to expect on the trip, and to answer any questions you may have. If you go on the mission trip, you are expected to attend this meeting.