

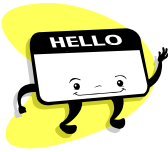
ADDITIONAL FAQs

Pastor's recommendation:

Each worker should have the recommendation of their pastor . (One letter from pastor with list of names will be adequate.)

Badges:

Each person should have a badge for identification. Ideally they would have a picture on it, but the person's name and contact information and the church's name is acceptable. Put this in a name badge holder with clip. Include "**Southern District of the Christian and Missionary Alliance**:" plus the logo, please.



Airport:



The closest airports are New Orleans, Baton Rouge, or Gulfport/Biloxi International Airport.

Ideal Total Team Number:

Each team should have about 15-25 people. (Smaller groups are acceptable—Larger groups may have to be split up). They should be late teens or older unless special permission is obtained.



Fulfilling the Great Commission Through Obeying the Great Commandment

Registration Information Needed

The site director will need the following information for each person:

- Name, age (group), and address
- Email address and telephone numbers
- Church name and pastor's name
- Gifts or abilities that would assist in Waveland
- Ministry responsibilities at church?
- Emergency name and phone number

Thank you so much for partnering with us in this tremendous effort. We know you will be very blessed by your service.

Because we are representing the Church, there must not be any alcohol on site. Regarding smoking, although we are concerned for your health, we recognize that some still struggle. Please smoke only during breaks in the designated areas.

Please remember, you are not going to SUMMER CAMP...you are going as a volunteer servant, and you need to know that we will depend on you to work hard. We will also depend on you to have a *joyful, positive attitude*. (If you are not working, or have a poor attitude, you may be sent home.)

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Gulf Coast Mission Trips

Hurricane Katrina Relief

Mission Team Registration

Our Purpose:

To fulfill the Great Commission through obeying the Great Commandment by offering practical service to those who were displaced or had great losses as a result of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

- Helping to Rebuild
- Ministry to Families
- Ministry to Communities
- Building Relationships
- Meeting Needs
- Clean-up

Living the Call Together

The Southern District of the C&MA is pleased to partner with individuals and churches to provide opportunities to minister in the Gulf Coast Area. This is a ministry we expect to last several years – we are here for the long run.



Getting it Done!

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Geographical Areas of Ministry

We will be providing opportunities for ministry in several locations to include but not limited to:

- Baton Rouge
- New Orleans
- Gulfport/Biloxi
- Waveland/Bay St. Louis

Our ability to provide services will differ by location – some we have been in much longer than others so our network is stronger. This will continue to develop.

Frequently Asked Questions

- ***Do we need to provide our own food?***

The teams will need to “provide” their own food, but in various ways. In some locations we have food available for which the cost will need to be covered – in others a kitchen will be available and food will need to be brought or purchased.

- ***Is there housing provided?***

We have arranged, or anticipate arranging, housing in these locations. It will be “roughing it” in cabins, tents, churches, etc.

- ***Can you provide transportation if we fly?***

Sometimes we will be able to get you from the local airport—but we have limited transportation available for day-to-day use.

- ***Will there be someone there to give instructions?***

We will have someone at the ministry centers who will be able to get you going and answer questions, but we expect the teams to be self-directed and motivated. We will line work up for the teams that fit with their abilities and giftedness. In some instances a director will work with the team consistently because of the nature of the work.

- ***Should we do anything to prepare medically?***

Everyone should be sure their tetanus and hepatitis shots are up-to-date.

- ***Will our teams remain together?***

Usually the teams will work from one site. In the case of a larger group, they may need to be divided among two or more sites.

- ***Should someone arrive early?***

It is ideal if a “scout” team can arrive one to two days before the rest of the team to better prepare.

- ***Will the work be all physical labor?***

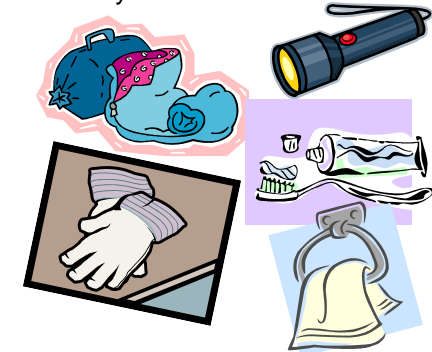
This will vary from site to site. Most of the work will consist of clean-up, reconstruction, etc. However, at times teams will plan and direct classes, VBS-like activities, etc. Such plans need to be arranged in advance.

- ***Will there be opportunity for a “fun” day?***

This will be entirely up to each group. There certainly are some sites to take in and things to see, but that will be up to the team to plan.

Items to Bring:

Deodorant, bug spray, toothpaste, toothbrush, soap, shampoo, towel, work gloves, flashlight with fresh batteries, battery operated alarm clock, anti-bacterial soap or hand wipes, sleeping bag or blankets for your provided cot, hat/cap, sunglasses, medications you need.



Appropriate Dress:

- Please dress modestly. Wear T-shirts, shorts, cotton socks and tennis shoes or other closed toe shoes. No sandals or flip-flops unless the flip-flops are for the shower.
- Have at least one pair of long pants. Expect it to be warm—though there could be cooler days through April.

