

What's a typical day like?

We will be working five days (Monday-Friday) on this trip. Here is a typical work day:

7 am	Breakfast at Camp Restore
8 am	Depart for Work Sites
Noon	Lunch at Work Sites
4 pm	Return to Camp Restore
6 pm	Dinner at Camp Restore
8 pm	Bible Study and Team Meeting
10:30 pm	Lights out

Do I need to bring tools?

While it is not necessary to bring personal tools, it is certainly helpful. Camp Restore operates a tool room on the premises, but we will attempt to avoid burdening the tool room for the basics, such as hammers, power drills, screw drivers, pry bars, etc.

Key Dates to remember

Monday ~ November 29, 2010

Registration Deadline

Tuesday ~ December 28, 2010 ~ 7 p.m.

Orientation Meeting

Required for all team members

Location: St. Matthew, Barrington

Saturday ~ January 8, 2011 ~ 6 a.m.

Departure

Location: Immanuel, East Dundee

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Supporting the New Orleans Recovery Effort

2011 Gulf Coast MISSION TRIP



January 8-15, 2011

Camp Restore

New Orleans, LA

gulfcoastmissiontrip.com

What is this Trip all about?

In August 2005, Hurricane Katrina caused devastation along much of the north-central Gulf Coast. Particularly hard hit was the city of New Orleans where significant loss of life and property damage occurred.

That following January, St. Matthew Lutheran Church in Barrington and St. John's Lutheran Church in Algonquin, with the assistance of Lutheran Church Charities, joined forces to send a team of 22 people to the devastated area. That first year's work was mostly comprised of mucking houses (stripping it down to the studs) and general cleanup.

In January 2007, Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Cary and St. Matthew Lutheran Church in Hawthorn Woods became partners in this mission ministry and a team of 49 people headed to the Gulf Coast. This trip was highlighted with the delivery of two ambulances to fire departments in Louisiana.

In January 2008, this mission partnership grew to include nine churches from the Northern Illinois District, one church from downstate Collinsville and four students from Fox Valley Lutheran Academy.

Last January, 61 team members representing 13 churches logged more than 1,800 hours on various construction and outreach projects. These churches have joined together in partnership by creating the Chicago-Area Mission Partnership (CAMP).

Our focus this year will be two-fold: CONSTRUCTION and OUTREACH. There will be plenty of the projects for everyone!

Now, more than five years out from the disaster, progress has been made and several New Orleans residents have been able to return to their homes. **However, the need is still great!** It is our privilege to continue this ministry of bringing help and hope to the people of New Orleans in the name of Jesus Christ!

Is there still work to be done?

YES! While the work has slowed on home rebuilds, there is still plenty of work to be done. Part of our construction team will work on Trinity Lutheran Church in the Lower Ninth Ward. Our outreach team will have several projects throughout the New Orleans area.

Is the trip open to anyone?

The trip is open to everyone age 16 + older. (Those age 16-17 must complete a parental consent form). One need not be a skilled carpenter to be a useful member of the mission team. A willingness to work is the most important qualification! One does not need to be a member of one of the participating congregations. We welcome everyone to be a part of our team!

Note: All mission team members must be covered on a health insurance plan.

How do we travel to New Orleans?

There will be a coordinated car pool that departs the NW suburbs on the morning of Saturday, January 8 and will arrive at Camp Restore on Sunday, January 9. The car pool will depart from Camp Restore on Saturday, January 15. It is necessary that we have vehicles in New Orleans to enable the various work teams to get to their job sites. Please consider being a driver for this trip (fuel expenses will be reimbursed). We'll assist in coordinating passengers/drivers. Individual churches may arrange for their own vehicle caravan, while other individuals may wish to fly.

Where do we stay?

The Mission Team will be based out of Camp Restore in New Orleans. For more information, visit www.camprestore.org.

How much does it cost?

Driving

\$ 300 per person

Includes fuel, lodging, meals (at Camp Restore)

Flying

\$ 150 per person

includes lodging and meals (at Camp Restore)

DOES NOT include airfare or ground transportation in New Orleans

How do I register for the trip?

Registration forms are available online at gulfoastmissiontrip.com. Completed forms should be turned into your church's primary contact (see back of brochure) or sent to:

Attn: Dave Moll
St. Matthew Lutheran Church
720 Dundee Avenue
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