

Memphis Workcamp Leader's Guide 2021

"Things You Need To Know Before You Promote Workcamp"

Participants

Teens currently in 7th-12th grades (2020-2021 school year) may attend. Youth Ministers, interns, college students, and other youth volunteers may attend.

All participants must have medical insurance and complete an application.

2021 Covid Protocol

Please do not allow anyone from your church to attend if they are experiencing any symptoms of Covid-19.

Churches will form their own self-contained crews made up of students and adults from their own church. Please communicate this to your teens.

Masks must be worn when inside the church building.

Only participants will be allowed to attend meals and worship. Churches will sit together during meals and worship and avoid mingling with other groups.

Participants are encouraged to avoid being with others outside their family and church during the week.

Adult-Sponsors

We recommend having at least **one adult for every five teenagers**. An adult is defined as a person who has been out of high school for at LEAST one year. All adult sponsors and youth ministers will serve as crew leaders.

Transportation

You must provide transportation and trailers/trucks for equipment for your group.

Lodging (for out-of-town groups)

Check out the "Housing" section of the website for hotel information.

Meals

Bring coolers for each crew's ice and water. Each worker must bring their own lunch, including drink, to work each day. Ice, water, and cups are provided at each site. We will provide dinner Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. Each youth group meets on their own on Wednesday night.

Crews

We suggest 2-3 adult leaders per crew and a crew size of 10-15 people.

Tools

Bring as many ladders as possible. Each worker brings their own ladder. You need extension and step ladders. Leaders should bring a tool box with hammer, saw, or other items for home repairs. Paint, brushes, rollers, paint buckets, scrapers, drop-cloths, etc. will be provided.

Preparation

Stress the seriousness of Workcamp. It is hard work. It is hot and humid. Everyone is expected to work without complaining. Everyone is expected to be a servant. Do some service projects before you come. **Pray for Workcamp!**

Cost

\$70 per worker, plus \$300 group fee
Youth ministers and interns attend for free.

SUMMARY CHECKLIST

- Recruit a 1:5 adult-student ratio.
 - One open trailer or truck per van.
 - One five-gallon water cooler and One large chest cooler per crew
 - One ladder per person.
 - Toolbox for minor repairs for each crew
 - Plan your own devotional/meal for Wednesday night of Workcamp.
 - **Make sure EVERY PERSON attending, including yourself, has:**
 - (1) A completed AND signed application, Medical insurance
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- FRIDAY, APRIL 16: Reserve your group's spot by paying your Group Fee. This Fee is \$300 per church group. This is not a deposit; it is in addition to the fees for workers you will send with your registration. Checks for the Group Fee can be made out to "Memphis Workcamp", and mailed to our office:
400 North Houston Levee Road, Cordova, TN 38018

 - SUNDAY, MAY 16: Collect Individual Applications for each worker, including adults and youth ministers. **Do not accept late applications.**

 - By FRIDAY, MAY 21: Complete the online registration for your group. Mail the Individual Applications and your check to the Workcamp office by this date. Be sure to make copies of these for your own records.