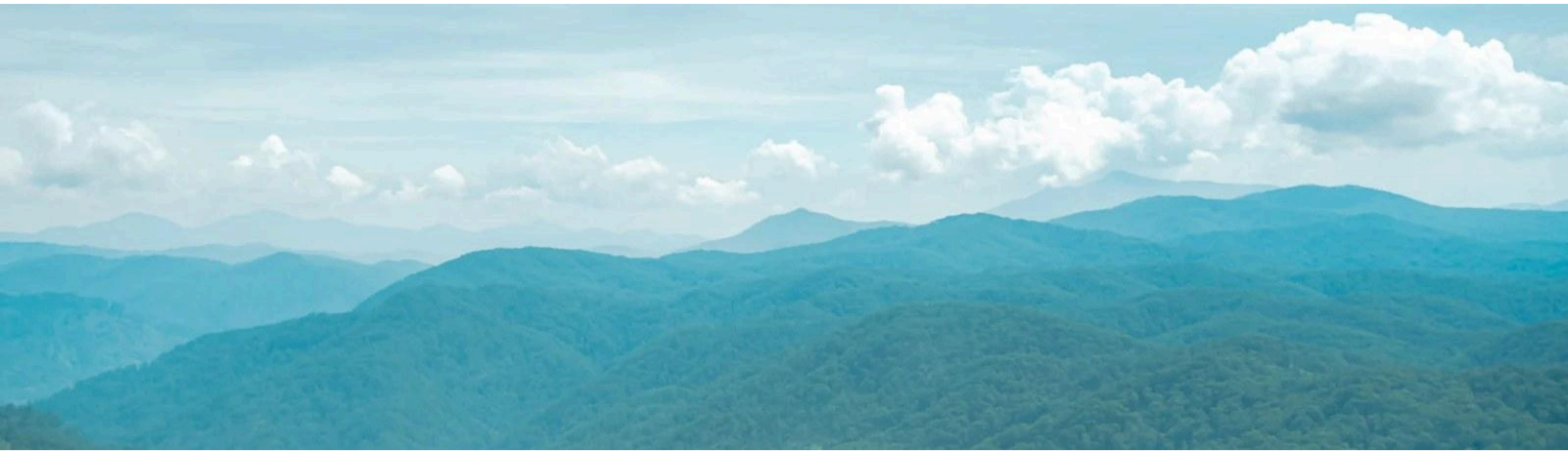
STUDENTS

BILTMORE MISSIONS

UTAH 2027 | June 19-26

WAYNESVILLE CAMPUS





A NOTE FROM PASTOR BRUCE

For “everyone who calls on the Lord will be saved.” How then will they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in Him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!” Romans 10:13-15

Thank you for considering a short-term mission trip with Biltmore Church! This is more than an opportunity to visit a new place. It’s an opportunity to participate in something much bigger than yourself. From the very beginning to the last few pages of Scripture, and throughout human history, God accomplishes His mission by sending people who do know Him to people who don’t know Him.

The reality is, in our community and around the world, there are people who don’t know, and have no access to the good news of the gospel of Jesus Christ. This is why Biltmore Church embraces the mission. We exist to glorify God by making disciples of Jesus who reach up, reach in, and reach out. We have been saved out of our sin, into a family, and onto a mission. We go, not because God needs our help, but because He delights in inviting His children into his mission to reach the world with the gospel.

God is at work around the world and we want to send the people of Biltmore Church out to be a part of what He is doing. We take mission trips each year to encourage our partners, engage in the work they’re doing, and disciple our people to have a heart for the nations. I’m praying that God uses this trip to stir your heart up for His mission here in Western North Carolina and around the world.

Pastor Bruce

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Trip Dates: June 19, 2027 - June 26, 2027

Type: Short-term, Domestic, Community Outreach, Evangelism + Apologetics

Cost: $1,900

Who can go: Completed 9-11th grade students (Waynesville Campus only)

Vision

Join us as we serve alongside missionaries in Utah, sharing the gospel through community outreach events. Teams will partner with Redemption Utah Churches to make the gospel known through canvassing, first responder outreach, sports camps, block parties, and more.

We believe that one day, people from every tribe, tongue, and nation will worship God around His throne. Utah is home to more than 3.5 million people, with a unique cultural and religious landscape shaped by its strong connection to The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. While the state has experienced significant growth and increasing diversity, many communities remain deeply influenced by Latter-day Saint beliefs and traditions. Though Christianity is prominent throughout Utah, evangelical Christians represent a relatively small portion of the population. This creates a unique opportunity to share the hope of the gospel, build meaningful relationships, and help people discover the truth of who Jesus is.

Field Partner Website: https://redemptionutah.com

- **Religious Landscape**: Utah's religious landscape is heavily influenced by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (LDS), alongside other Christian denominations and faith backgrounds. Latter-day Saints emphasize obedience to God, and sacred ordinances, but differ from Christianity in key beliefs about Jesus and the authority and inerrancy of Scripture. This creates opportunities to build relationships, understand local beliefs, and share the true hope of the gospel.
- **Cultural expectations**: Utah is a genuine North American mission field, and familiar words like grace, atonement, and heaven often carry different meanings here.
- **Evangelism method/strategy**: Three Circles and Personal Testimony
- **Sample schedule**: A typical day will include breakfast and a team devotion, followed by morning ministry activities. Teams will pause for lunch, and continue evangelism throughout their day. Evenings will be spent in debrief, dinner, and time to connect as a team.
- **Accommodations**: Teams will stay in an Airbnb or hotel near the ministry site in accordance with our supervision policies.

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What's Expected

As a team member joining in on the ministry of Mission Utah, you will play a key role in supporting missionaries, as they work to engage those around them with the Gospel.

- **Evangelism / Community Outreach** - The primary focus of this trip is evangelism through community outreach. You'll have the opportunity to share the hope of the Gospel with non-believers and plant seeds that will bear fruit long after the team leaves.
- **Maintain flexibility** - Scheduled activities are subject to change due to various factors so maintaining a spirit of flexibility allows you to be open to any changes God may have for your team.
- **Care** - Serving on a short-term mission trip is a great way to serve and care for our long-term missionaries and mission partners.
- **Show Up** - Be present for all pre-trip and post-trip meetings as well as all in-country activities. We want you to make the most of your time as you engage the nations with the hope of the Gospel.

Requirements

- **A follower of Jesus.** Students have professed faith in Christ and have been baptized as a believer.
- **Connected to our church.** Students have been actively participating in Biltmore Church and Biltmore Students for at least six months.
- **Involved in a Connect Group.** Students are in a student Connect Group at least twice a month (Sundays or Wednesdays and confirmed through attendance or their Connect Group leader)
- **Eligible by grade.** Students have completed the grade required for the trip they're applying to.
- **Trainings and documents**. Students will commit to attend and participate in the required trainings and provide all required documentation.

Qualifications

- A genuine, growing walk with Jesus
- A servant's posture
- Behavioral and emotional maturity
- Teachability and humility
- A heart for the nations
- A realistic understanding of what the trip actually is

ID

- Students who are 18 or older must have a REAL ID.

While not preferred, cost, details, and schedule are subject to change

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Team Meetings

- Team Building / Trip Vision
- Evangelism Training / Ministry Prep
- Logistics / Team Building

Responsibilities

- Carry yourself at all times as a disciple of Jesus Christ.
- Engage with people from other cultural and socioeconomic backgrounds.
- Comfortability initiating and facilitating spiritual conversations.
- Fundraising- It is your responsibility to fundraise the total amount required.

Fundraising Milestones

We believe fundraising is a crucial part of your mission trip. It invites others to be a part of what God is doing around the world and in you as well as teaches you that God will provide the funds for your trip. Below you'll find your fundraising milestones for this trip. These milestones are not meant to be seen as obstacles that stand in your way but as celebration markers of God's faithfulness as you get closer to your trip.

- Milestone 1 (25%): February
- Milestone 2 (50%): March
- Milestone 3 (75%): April
- Milestone 4 (100%): May

Please note that you cannot begin fundraising until you have completed the application and interview process and been accepted. Once accepted, you will receive access to a personalized participant portal, which must be used for all fundraising efforts.

APPLY ONLINE

Biltmorechurch.com/missions



The process for going. Here's every step of the journey from I'm interested to going and serving!

1. **INFO MEETING**
    - Curious about going? Start here. Come to your campus mission trip info meeting with your family to hear the heart behind ***why*** we go, see the trips assigned to your campus, and get your questions answered. Parents are required to attend! This first step is for them and you!
2. **APPLY**
    - God is nudging you to go - now what? Fill out the Student Mission Trip Application. We place a high value on our students and these trips, and we want to make sure this is the right trip for you. Your parent will sign the application alongside you.
3. **INTERVIEW**
    - This is one of our favorite parts! Your Campus Student Director will coordinate a time to meet with you and your parent(s) to hear your story, why you want to go, and what God is stirring in you. Then, your parent(s) will join on the back end, so we can cast vision together and answer any immediate questions. All students are required to apply and interview.
    - **A word on the interview:** Every now and then, after we've talked and prayed together, we may sense that this particular trip or this particular season isn't the right fit or time just yet. So, you will either receive a GO or NOT YET confirmation from your Campus Student Director. If you are told NOT YET, your Campus Student Director will point you to some helpful next steps that will help prepare you for the next opportunity. Some of those may include joining a ReachTeam, joining your student Serve Team, or participating in local mission opportunities here in WNC.
4. **PARENT CONSENT AND FORMS**
    - Because you're a student, a few forms are required to keep everyone safe and well cared for. Your parent must complete a consent and medical release/liability waiver, and your family will review and acknowledge our support-raising policy together.
5. **YOU'RE IN**
    - Once everything is complete, we'll reach out to you and your parents with good news and confirm your spot on the team. You'll get added to the team roster, join our group communication platforms, and begin to receive specific trip details.
6. **TRAIN AND PREPARE**
    - Before we go, your team will meet together to prepare spiritually, grow as friends, and get ready for the place you're headed. These trainings will be required and are part of your commitment.
7. **RAISE SUPPORT**
    - Going on mission is something God invites others into *with* you. You'll be expected to write letters and invite people to pray, give, and follow along on your journey. This not only helps challenge and stretch you, but it stirs the hearts of other followers of Jesus.
8. **SENT**
    - You are sent. You and your team will serve our partners, share Jesus, and get a front-row seat to what God is doing among the nations.
9. **BRING IT HOME**
    - The trip doesn't end when you're back home. We'll celebrate what God did, process it as a team, and follow up with the people who sent you. How God worked and moved continues to carry you in the seasons ahead!