

Summer 2018 Mission Trip to the Boardwalk Chapel

Greetings, Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Mark 16:15: "And He said to them, "Go into ALL the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation."

The Covenant OPC youth group in Orland Park, Illinois is putting together a team of high school students to spend a week at the **Boardwalk Chapel in Wildwood, New Jersey** this summer. The Boardwalk Chapel was established in 1945 as an evangelism ministry of the OPC. During the day they do sidewalk evangelism and local outreach to the community through a VBS for low-income children, pro-life ministries, and meals for international workers. Every evening they put on a program featuring songs, dramas, testimonies, and a Gospel message. Visiting groups from churches around the country stay at the chapel for a week, receive training in apologetics and evangelism, observe and assist in the various ministries, and participate in the evening programs through drama, music, and technical audio/visual support.

We will be heading to the Boardwalk Chapel **July 14-21, 2018**. There is room for up to 15 students. We have attached a student application and waiver; please contact **Peter Onnink at 920-207-3795 or peteopc@hotmail.com** for more information. **Applications are due June 1, 2018.** Please mail the application to Covenant Church Attn: Youth Group 9340 W 147th St, Orland Park, IL 60462 or turn it in to any of Covenant's youth group leaders. Once we receive all the applications, you will receive an email or phone call confirming your attendance on the trip. Please get your applications in ASAP as we may have more applicants than spots available.

As part of preparations, we will hold a fundraiser for the trip **Saturday, April 21** at Covenant OPC in Orland Park, IL. There will be Boardwalk-themed food and a program similar to what is put on at the chapel every night. Pastor James Zozzaro, director of the Boardwalk Chapel, will also be with us to emcee the evening and share more about the chapel's history and mission. If you plan to go on the trip, you can **receive \$50 off your trip cost** by assisting with the fundraiser. We will provide songs and skits to be performed at the event. Even if you cannot go with us, we hope you will join us that evening for a taste of this exciting ministry. To RSVP to the fundraiser, email Emily at **ramseye11@alumni.hanover.edu** .

We are thankful to be part of God's family with you, and to partner in the spreading of the good news of Jesus Christ at home and abroad.

Sincerely,

The Covenant OPC Youth Group Committee

Covenant OPC 2018 Boardwalk Chapel Missions Trip Application

Goals: The Boardwalk Chapel Mission Trip is a unique, reformed, Gospel-centered, evangelistic outreach. The ministry provides our high schoolers an opportunity to grow spiritually through training, exposure to unique evangelism opportunities, and daily experience.

Tentative Schedule:

Saturday July 14 – Drive to Wildwood, NJ

Sunday July 15 – worship at Calvary OPC in the morning, Boardwalk Chapel in the evening

Monday-Friday, July 16-20 – training, evangelism, nightly programs

Saturday, July 21 – Drive back to Orland Park, IL

Lodging and Meals: Students will stay in separated male and female sleeping quarters at the chapel. There is a kitchen on the premises for meal preparation.

Costs: The cost for students is \$300. This will be due closer to the trip after confirmed attendance notification.

Contact Information: Pete Onnink at (920-207-3795 or peteopc@hotmail.com)

Application Deadline: complete the application and make a \$100 deposit to confirm your spot by **June 1, 2018.**

Student Name: _____ **Date of Birth:** _____

Phone Number: _____ **Email:** _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Allergies (if any): _____

Medications (if any): _____

Parent/Guardian/Emergency Contact Name: _____

Contact information: _____ **Relationship:** _____

I, the parent or legal guardian of (student's name) _____, give permission for my child to attend the Covenant Church Summer Missions Trip to the Boardwalk Chapel in Wildwood, New Jersey, **July 14-21, 2018.** I also give permission for Covenant team leaders to authorize the administration of medical treatment for my child during the trip in case of an emergency. I certify that the information above is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

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Students, please reflect on these questions as you prayerfully consider attending this missions project.

1. How would you describe your relationship with Christ? Who is He to you, and how is this relationship maintained?

2. Why are you considering attending this missions project? What do you hope to accomplish, and/or how do you intend to grow spiritually?

3. Do you have any experience with the performing arts, be it creative (music lessons, drama classes, etc) or technical (audio technology or stage lighting)? Please describe. **(It is all right if you do not!)**

4. Do you have any experience with evangelizing as a group to the general public? If so, please describe. **(It is all right if you do not!)**

5. Are you available to attend and assist with the fundraiser Saturday, April 21 to receive \$50 off your trip cost? **Yes** _____ **No** _____

Applicant's Statement: I certify that the answers given are true and complete. I also certify that if I attend this missions project, I am under the authority of my team leaders and will submit to their leadership during the course of the trip.

Applicant's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Important: The legal guardian of each student must read and sign this "Release and Waiver of Liability" before the student participates in the trip. Please complete this form and hand it in to a trip organizer before the trip begins.

RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY

This Release and Waiver of Liability (the "Release"), by the minor participant and his/her legal guardian, _____, (the "Guardian") in favor of COVENANT ORTHODOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, a nonprofit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois, USA, and its directors, officers, employees, and agents (collectively, the "Church").

The minor, _____, (the "Minor") desires to participate in the Boardwalk Chapel mission trip to Wildwood, NJ, sponsored or facilitated by the Church from Saturday, July 14, 2018 to Saturday, July 21, 2018. We, the Guardian and Minor, hereby freely and voluntarily, without duress, execute this Release under the following terms:

- Waiver and Release.** I, the Guardian, release and forever discharge and hold harmless the Church and its successors and assigns from any and all liability, claims, and demands of whatever kind or nature, either in law or in equity, which arise or may hereafter arise from Minor's participation in the Activities. I understand and acknowledge that this Release discharges the Church from any liability or claim that Guardian or Minor may have against the Church with respect to bodily injury, personal injury, illness, death, or property damage that may result from Minor's participation in the Activities. I also understand that the Church does not assume any responsibility for or obligation to provide financial assistance or other assistance, including but not limited to medical, health or disability insurance, in the event of injury, illness, death or property damage.
- Insurance.** I, the Guardian, understand that I expressly waive any such claim for compensation or liability on the part of the Church in the event of such injury or medical expense.
- Medical Treatment.** I, the Guardian, hereby release and forever discharge the Church from any claim whatsoever which arises or may hereafter arise on account of any first-aid treatment or other medical services rendered during Minor's time with the Church, including, but not limited to, services rendered in the event of a medical emergency and the administration of medication to Minor, whether or not such was expressly authorized by Guardian.
- Assumption of the Risk.** I, the Guardian, understand that Minor's time with the Church may include activities that may be hazardous to the Minor, including, but not limited to, construction activities, loading and unloading of heavy equipment and materials, and local transportation to and from work sites. I recognize and understand that the Minor's time with the Church may, in some situations, involve inherently dangerous activities. I, the Guardian, hereby expressly and specifically assume the risk of injury or harm in these activities and release the Church from all liability for injury, illness, death, or property damage resulting from the activities of Minor's time with the Church.
- Media Release.** I, the Guardian, grant and convey unto the Church all right, title, and interest in any and all photographic images and video or audio recordings made by the Church during Minor's participation in the Activities, including, but not limited to, any royalties, proceeds, or other benefits derived from such photographs or recordings.
- Other.** I, the Guardian, expressly agree that this Release is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by the laws of the State of Illinois in the United States of America, and that this Release shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois. I agree that in the event that any clause or provision of this Release shall be held to be invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity of such clause or provision shall not otherwise affect the remaining provisions of this Release which shall continue to be enforceable.

Guardian's Signature _____ Date _____ Emergency Contact Phone # _____

Print Guardian's Name _____ Print Minor's Name _____

Guardian's Street Address _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____