



KENTUCKY



Dates	Location	Type	Cost
March 6 - 12, 2022	Floyd County/Wheelwright	Intergenerational	\$515 per person plus \$100 for construction (Transportation not included)
July 24 -30, 2022	Floyd County/Wheelwright	Intergenerational	
July 31 - August 6, 2022	Floyd County/Wheelwright	Intergenerational	
October 16 - 22, 2022	Floyd County/Wheelwright	Intergenerational	
			Group Size: 15—100 participants

Where are we going?

We are working in Wheelwright, Kentucky, located in the eastern part of the state in Floyd County. Kentucky is part of the Cumberland Plateau of the Appalachian Mountain Range. It has a rich cultural heritage beginning with the mound-building Adena Indians, through the civil war, to the coal camps that sprang up and faded as fast as the coal could be mined. The region is now a center for art and music through the Mountain Arts Center.

This area has many aspects of beauty from its lush wooded mountains to its colorful inhabitants that call this their home. With all of the beauty of the mountainous landscape there are many challenges that the communities and families face on a daily basis. The median income for a household in this area is \$14,808 annually. The needs can range from leaking roofs, homes needing insulation, and families struggling to provide the basic necessities, as about 40 percent of the population lives below the poverty line.

What are we doing?

Teams will work alongside the community; improving living conditions and opening doors to share Jesus. The majority of the mission week will be spent on home renovation projects. Most of the homes we encounter are in disrepair and will benefit from the work of loving hearts and hands. Projects can include installation of vinyl siding, windows and doors, roofing, constructing a wheel chair ramp, giving an elderly person easy access to their home, building a deck, painting and general clean up around the property.



You will learn about the Appalachian culture with its strong emphasis on family values. By participating in outreach events such as Kids' Club (VBS), Mega Sports Camp, and neighborhood cookouts, you'll build relationships as you interact with the people in the community.

Travel, Lodging, and Food

Participants are expected to provide transportation to and from the mission site, as well as travel between the housing site, work projects, outreach activities, and the day-off event.

Teams will stay at the Mission Big Creek Center, which is set up with separate bunk rooms for women and men. Showers and restroom facilities are available. Depending on the size of the team, we could lodge at the local high school, where teams will stay in classrooms and be asked to provide air mattresses for sleeping. The high school has adequate shower and restroom facilities for larger teams. Meals are prepared by local cooks.

On the day off, teams have several options available, both free and fee-based activities, which include the local pool, whitewater rafting, canoeing or time spent at a state park.



Is it safe?

Trip safety is extremely important to World Servants and our host community. Kentucky is considered very safe and we do not anticipate any safety issues.

COVID-19 Safety Response

We are working diligently to address the directives of the communities we serve in response to the coronavirus (COVID-19). Be assured, World Servants will not hesitate to cancel or suspend a trip if appropriate. Please see our website for information regarding [COVID protocol](#) for all World Servants trips.



Registration

Please register online at www.worldservants.org by April 1, 2022.

Questions?

Please feel free to contact Stephanie Boyd, World Servants Director of Appalachia, at sjboyd@worldservants.org or 304-677-9681, if you have any questions.



World Servants is a worldwide, interdenominational organization. For more than 35 years, we have sent people to communities around the globe to be learners, servants, and storytellers open to the works and teachings that God has prepared. Mission participants are challenged and developed through learner-driven cross-cultural training and dynamic short-term mission projects. These projects have a long-term impact both on volunteer participants and local communities while assisting these communities to become self-sustaining and interdependent. Our hope is participants will be inspired to continue to serve people in need upon their return home. We believe as people develop as servants and leaders, they implement servant hood into all areas of life: business, family, community, congregations, government, and international relationships.