

We are planning a summer mission opportunity for Senior High Youth, incoming 9th graders to Seniors who have recently graduated from High School.

I. **Youth in Missions** will take place at **Lake Junaluska, NC**, in the Great Smoky Mountains, **June 28th-July 2nd**.

II. **Youth in Missions** is a growing event of youth and young adults who are striving to love God and God's people through mission, outreach, and social action. It connects young people with organizations who are serving God's people throughout City of Opportunity, a space which features non-profit and church organizations serving the world. **Youth in Missions** offers hands on missions through group mission experiences and hosting a children's festival for area children. This year's theme, Let Go: Take Root, comes from Romans 12:2 which reminds us that if we let go of our worldly priorities and take root in God's perfection, we will grow stronger and better than we ever dreamed. In addition to worship, workshops, and mission work, there will also be time for free sightseeing and for white water rafting, an additional cost.

III. For the trip to "make", we need a minimum of five Youth, one adult female chaperone (Ms. Sarah) and one adult male chaperone (TBA) registered by May 1. Maximum group size is twelve Youth. So the focus can be on Youth rather than Family, no younger siblings are allowed. Also, additional adults may attend only if the adult to youth ratio is at least 1:3 and if there is room in the vehicle(s). All adults must complete our Child Protection Policy training.

IV. Costs. Program, housing and meals while at Lake Junaluska are \$280 including a deposit of \$50 paid by May 1; \$295 including \$65 deposit if made after May 1. Payment in full due by June 20. CCUMC will pay transportation costs for the group, and registration, room and board for one male and one female chaperone. Not included: food while driving to/from Lake Junaluska; activities during free time.

V. We understand that financial issues and family schedules may not make this trip available to everyone. We will work with those registering to do fund-raising events and look for other funding sources. Because this is a mission trip, additional scholarship money may be available. Please ask Ms. Sarah for details. We will also schedule other low-cost day trips during the summer.

Sincerely,

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