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What is Summer Serve?

Summer Serve is a churchwide serving initiative that takes place during the month of August. This is an opportunity to serve schools as they prepare for the new year, meet unique community-specific needs, and continue to provide relief to WNC after Hurricane Helene. In addition to serving on August 9th, you can purchase a backpack with school supplies online that will be given to students in need all across Western North Carolina.

What if I want to serve at a site that isn't near my campus?

Each site was assigned to a specific Biltmore Church campus based on proximity, with few exceptions. While we encourage everyone to serve at a site near their Biltmore campus, they have freedom to serve wherever they'd like.

Who can complete registration?

Each individual is responsible for registering themselves to serve at a site. Connect group leaders **are able** to sign up their connect group if needed. To register visit <u>www.biltmorechurch.com/summerserve.</u>

When I register, do I also need to register my kids?

Please register everyone who is able to make a contribution while serving. For kids, please register them if they are in grade school and up.

How will I know what to bring to my site?

After you register to serve, your site coordinator will email you with a list of projects you'll be working on. Because the work is primarily focused on landscaping and beautification, it would be safe to bring a wheelbarrow, gloves, rakes, weedeater, hedge trimmers, etc., with you if you have them. You will be responsible for keeping up with your own tools. We encourage you to bring a water bottle and bug spray.

How do I purchase a backpack?

You can purchase a backpack online at <u>www.biltmorechurch.com/summerserve</u>. We partner with School box to provide backpacks to students in need across Western

North Carolina. After purchasing the backpack online, they will be delivered to the Arden Campus to be distributed to schools.

When is the last day I can register for Summer Serve?

We encourage everyone to register as soon as possible so we can have an accurate assessment of who is serving where. However, we will allow walk ups, if you are a walk up we ask that you still register yourself.