# Biltmore Church | Missions New York Trip Information

Trip Dates: June 8- June 15 Type: Short-term, National Cost: \$1500 Who can Go: High School Students Trip Capacity: 6-9

## Trip Info

### Vision:

Join us as we serve in a shifting week alongside missionaries on the field in New York as we share the gospel with Mideast/North African Muslims. We'll be participating with a missionary organization that focuses on sharing the gospel among people and places where He is not known.

We believe that one day people from every tribe, tongue, and nation will worship God around His throne. With close to 8 million people in New York City and more than 22 million in the metro area, it is the largest city in the United States. It is also the largest metro area in the world and is considered by many to be the most influential city in the world. It is estimated that 36 percent of the population is foreign-born, resulting in varied cultural and religious backgrounds. Though 83 percent of New Yorkers are affiliated with some form of organized religion, only 4 percent identify themselves as evangelical.

### What's Expected:

As a team member joining the long-term missionaries in New York, you will be an extension of their presence in the community. You will be helping them establish relationships and have Gospel conversations with a predominantly Muslim community. Other expectations include:

- Honoring - the way you interact with people that are not like you will directly impact their view of Jesus. You must be mindful of the things you say, the way

you interact and the way you show honor, in order to not create any barriers of the Gospel being heard.

- 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. Offering to cook a meal, watching their children so they can go out, cleaning, game nights, etc., are all great ways to care for our missionaries on the field.
- 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.

#### Team Meetings (Minimum of 5) and Dates:

- Interest Meeting: October 8
- Team Meeting: February 11
- Training #1: March 10
- Training #2: April 21
- Training #3: May 19
- Celebration Dinner & Debrief: August 11

#### <u>Requirements</u>

- Prerequisites
  - Must be a rising 9th-graduated senior
  - Attends connect group on a regular basis (75%)
  - Must complete kids ministry training if kids ministry is involved
  - Must be able to articulate the Gospel
  - Interview with a student pastor
- 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.
  - Commitment to hearing from God through his Word on your decision to go on this trip

#### - Preparation

- Mission Trip Fundraising Guide
- Attend pre-trip and post-trip team meetings

- Check out Missions Discipleship Packet