

**Genesis Family Mission Trip**  
**Shining Light Outreach Center**  
**Charleston, Missouri**

**Sunday, June 5th through Saturday, June 11th, 2011**

Come and join us for a mission trip that will change your life! Charleston is a small town 2 ½ hours south of St. Louis. Much of the town lives below the poverty level. Shining Light Outreach Center reaches out to the people of that community by providing food, clothing, and a safe place for the kids to hang out. Dean Wallace is a local pastor that is committed to keeping the kids busy and fed as much as possible. It is his dream to have teams come throughout the summer to keep the kids occupied as he shares the love of Jesus with this community.

**Mornings:**

- Construction, painting, cleaning at Shining Light
- Construction and cleaning projects at other sites in Charleston
- Sorting clothing, preparing food, preparing for Kids Club

**Afternoons:**

- Continue some morning projects, down time for everyone

**Evenings:**

- Kids Club from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m. Everyone is needed to help in some way, since 120 kids attend, with 200 at the Friday night Carnival. Supper will be served to the kids and we will eat with them.

**Special Wednesday:**

- Fun day as we take a break from work and spend time together

**Special Thursday Project:**

- Clothing giveaway to the community. Everyone helps with this project.

**Special Friday Project:**

- Evening carnival at 4:00 for the kids and their parents with lots of games, prizes and supper. Everything is free.

**Saturday:**

- Clean up Shining Light, pack up and head home

**Cost:**

- \$100 per individual, \$200 per couple, \$250 per family for the week
- OR \$20 per adult, \$10 per child per day for a partial week

This includes all meals and snacks at the outreach center. You will need to provide your own transportation and pay for lunch on the way home, along with your expenses on the Wednesday fun day. This price includes a wonderful spot

to sleep on the floor of an air conditioned classroom in the Outreach Center or in a nearby church. You may bring a cot or air mattress if you like.

**Benefits:** Sharing this time with your Genesis family and never viewing your own life the same way again: PRICELESS

**What you need to do:**

- Pray about going and encourage others to go
- Register for the trip by Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Start gathering prizes, candy, food items for the Kids Club
- Start gathering clothes for the clothing give away (NO WINTER CLOTHES THIS YEAR)
- Start gathering items for the hygiene kits
- Start giving to the 'Family Mission Trip' fund for construction supplies, food for the kids, trailer rentals, carnival supplies, Bibles
- Volunteer to help with projects now, such as finding donations from businesses for food, clothes, construction supplies
- Pray for the Charleston Community as Shining Light Outreach and director Dean Wallace struggle to meet the needs of the kids

**Answers to important questions**

**Where exactly are we going?**

Charleston, MO is a small town near the Mississippi River in Southeast, MO, about forty five miles from Cape Girardeau. Charleston is a town with a considerable amount of poverty and need, with multiple areas of slums and government housing. We will be working with the Shining Light Outreach Center in Charleston, which is a center working with kids, single parents, and families in Charleston ([www.shininglightoutreach.org](http://www.shininglightoutreach.org)). About 90% of the kids they work with are African American. The director of the center is Dean Wallace.

A couple of years ago, Shining Light had a very nice building and great piece of land donated to them so they could serve the poor in the area. Our ministry will include two key projects. First, we will do several small construction and clean-up projects, along with possible projects in the community. Second, we will provide a Kid's Club for neighborhood children. We have had as many as 140 kids at the club, along with 200 kids at the Friday night carnival.

**Who should go?**

Anyone!!!! We design these mission experiences in a way that every person can participate, no matter what their age, and will find a way for them to serve that

they will enjoy. We will involve everyone. So whether you are a family with grown kids, have babies and toddlers, are single, or even retired, this is a great trip for you! Those bringing children will be responsible for the care of kids during the trip, but we will try to involve some other adults in watching children. We have always allowed teenagers to attend this trip without their parents if another family will take responsibility to care for them. In other words, they will need to join another family for the week.

### **What does my payment cover?**

Your payment for the trip will cover the basic expenses for the trip, including the meals on site and lodging, as well as some supplies for the project. We will have to do some fund-raising to help us with supplies for Kids Club and some construction. The price does not cover transportation (you are responsible for getting yourself there, although we will travel together), meals eaten out, and any extra fun we plan.

### **What about a meeting?**

The meeting is on Sunday, May 1st, and is mandatory for everyone going on the trip. At this meeting, we will be organizing our mission teams, assigning jobs for the trip and discussing new ideas for this year's trip.

### **How do I register myself and my family for the trip?**

Fill out the attached registration form and turn it in along with payment for the trip no later than **Sunday May 1st**.

Forms can be put in the offering, or forms can be given to Bob & Terry Lancaster or Mike Hubbard. If you have any questions, please call Bob (314) 609-2127 or Terry (314) 623-4781.

# GENESIS FAMILY MISSION TRIP REGISTRATION FORM

Family \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

## **Type of registration**

Week: Individual - \$100, Couple - \$200, Family - \$250

Partial week: \$20 per adult per day, \$10 per child per day Total: \_\_\_\_\_

Days attending: Whole week \_\_\_\_\_ These days \_\_\_\_\_

## **Information on each person going**

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Please submit this form along with payment for the trip, made out to Genesis Church, by Sunday May 1st, 2011.

In the memo section write, "Family Mission Trip payment".