



HAZARD, KENTUCKY MISSION TRIP

JUNE 15 – 22, 2025



MEET THE TEAM

- **Total Team:** 36

- **From:**

- Ascension 2
- Christ Church 1
- St. Mark's 22
- Trinity 4
- Temple Isaiah 2
- Other 5

- **Age Group:**

- Young Adults 7
- Adults 29

- **Gender Mix:**

- Men 22
- Women 14

HAZARD, KY FLOOD

- July, 2022
- 45 people lost their lives
- Over 600 people rescued



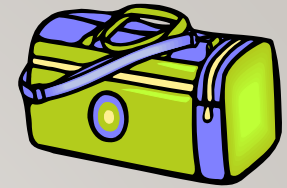
PAPERWORK

- If you haven't already, please sign the DreamBuilders liability waiver form tonight
- All team members must register with HDA on-line at:
 - <https://www.hdahome.org/volunteer-consent-form/>
 - <https://www.hdahome.org/work-site-rules/>
- Cell phone lists will be emailed to all missionaries.

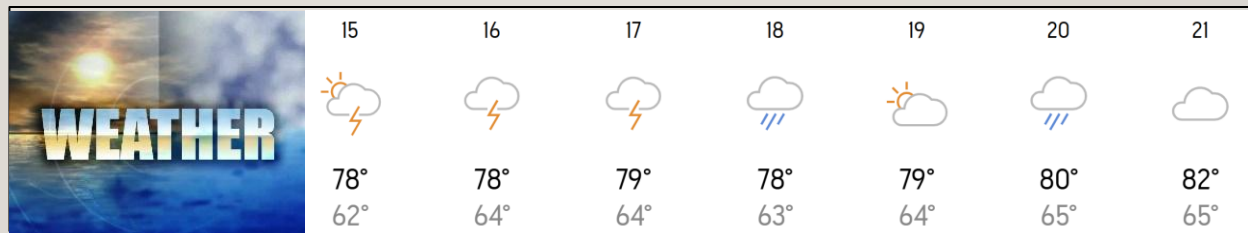
WHAT TO PACK



PACKING LIST

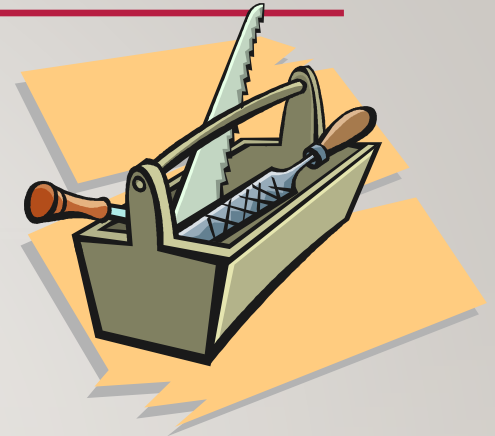


- Sleeping bag or sheets, blanket, pillow
- Toiletries, towels (suggest 2 towels and 2 washcloths)
- Work clothes (include long pants and long-sleeve shirt for roof work)
- Work shoes (safe sturdy shoes, heavy-duty sneakers OK, open toed shoes/flip flops are not), shower shoes
- Swim suit and beach towel
- Large contractor trash bag (for dirty clothes)
- **Sunscreen**, Insect Repellant (Deep Woods recommended)
- Water bottle with name
- Light coat or sweatshirt
- Extension cord and/or power strip
- Rain gear
- Tools (next slide)
- Flashlight
- Spending money



WHAT TOOLS TO BRING

- Work gloves
- Safety glasses
- Hard Hat
- Tool belt
- Tape measure ($\geq 25'$)
- 3-5 carpenter pencils
- Hammer
- Carpenter's square
- Anything else you feel would help & you want to carry
- Be sure to mark all tools with your name!



Carpenter's Square

MEDICATIONS



- **Prescription Medications**

- Bring in original prescription bottles in a clear Ziploc bag.
- **Label with: Name of Youth, Name of Medication, Dosage & Frequency**
- Please only send enough for the week.
- **The trip nurse will dispense at the appropriate time according to instructions.**

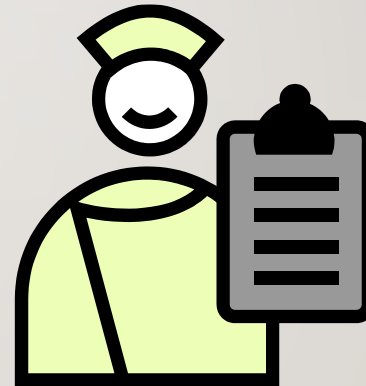
- **Over-The-Counter (OTC) Medications**

- The trip nurse will have a supply of the most common (Tylenol, Advil, Aleve, Benadryl, Sudafed, Pepto-Bismol, Dramamine) and requested OTC medications
 - Will be dispensed as authorized on permission form
- **EXCEPTION: Medication for asthma or bee stings may be carried and self-administered.**

Trip Nurse: Karen Luman

HEALTH TIP

- It's a good idea for teens to bring a copy of their medical/health care card.

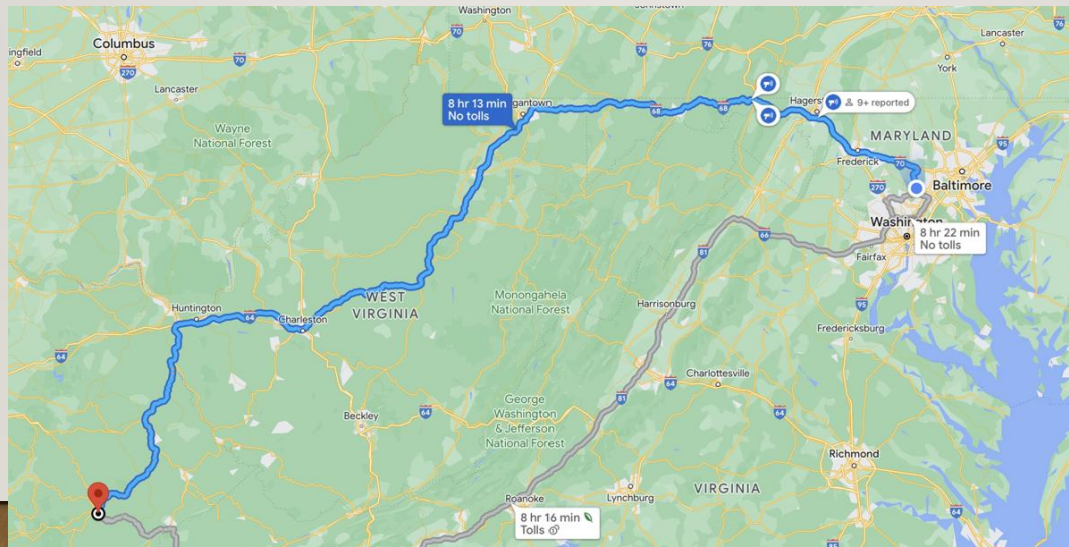


SUNDAY, JUNE 15: TEAM TRAVEL DAY

- **Wear your DreamBuilders t-shirt! Write your name on the tag!**
- **Arrive at Temple Isaiah by 7:30 AM**
- **NOTE: The Temple will be open for access to bathrooms**
- **Load your luggage into any one of the SUVs**
- **Get into one of the SUVs**
- **NOTE: Once you choose an SUV, you are required to stay with that vehicle until we arrive in Hazard**
- **We leave Temple Isaiah at 8:00 AM**
- **Teen assignment: Number & decorate the vehicles**

OUR ROUTE

- Drive time: 8.5 hours
- We will stop as needed, including for lunch
- We will stay together as a group for the duration of the trip



DRIVERS & BACKUP DRIVERS

DreamBuilders Caravan

1. Peter Mattejat (primary) & Gordon Kieffer (backup)
2. Beth Graboritz (primary) & Matt Biewer (backup)
3. Scott Wren (primary) & Herb Malveaux (backup)
4. Patrick McGeehan (primary) & Steve English (backup)
5. Tim Swygert (primary) & Sally Swygert (backup)
6. Cynthia Scourtis (primary) & Randy Scourtis (backup)
7. John McBeth (pickup truck)

Driving separately

1. Lisa & Mary Biewer
2. Charles Creswell & Verna Karolenko
3. Chris Tang
4. Shane Hamilton
5. Andy & Nik Cabrera
6. Bill & Pam Brazis

RENTAL VEHICLES

- Pick up rental vehicles *before noon* on Saturday, June 14 at Budget Rental off Cradlerock Road in Columbia
 - 7 SUVs (7-passenger)
 - Rental fees are prepaid
- Accept the Loss Damage Waiver (LDW) optional insurance
- Decline any other extra charges if offered
- Each driver will have a binder with important information
- NOTE: Vehicle binders contain PII, please keep safe
- Save receipts for gasoline and place in envelopes in vehicle binders

ACCOMMODATIONS



Lodging

First Baptist Church

Hazard, Kentucky



NICE KITCHEN FACILITY



DINING HALL



WORSHIP SPACE



SLEEPING ACCOMMODATIONS



FOR HANGING OUT



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

- Other features
 - Six private bathrooms with showers, two each on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd floors
 - Two half baths on the 4th floor
 - Various rooms we can use for sleeping
 - Ample parking out back
 - Next to river in back
 - Located in downtown Hazard near shops

AMENITIES IN (OR NEAR) HAZARD

- Super Walmart
- Steak and Shake
- Coffee shops
- Laundromat
- Lowe's
- Urgent Care
- Hospital

DREAMBUILDERS' RULES & EXPECTATIONS

- **No tobacco, drug, alcohol use is permitted at any time. If any is discovered, parents will be called immediately and those involved will be sent home at their own expense.**

There will be no second chance.

- **When at the volunteer center, teens may not leave the designated area without an adult 25+ years of age.**
- **No individual adult and teen missionary may travel as a pair, unless they are parent and child.**

RULES & EXPECTATIONS (CONT'D)

- While at the volunteer centers, all fraternizing will be done in the common areas. Women may not visit the men's "dorms" and men may not visit the women's "dorms".

Following the above rules will help make your experience as successful as possible. We want to foster a supportive atmosphere for all of our volunteers as you work together doing God's work.

SUNDAY, JUNE 15 AT VOLUNTEER CENTER

- Unpack, make beds
- Dinner (pizza)
- Ice Breaker
- Orientation (DreamBuilders)
- Christian service led by Chris Tang of St. Mark's

WORK WEEK

- Monday - Friday
 - Full workday (7:00 am – 3:30 pm)
 - Drive to worksite is 30 minutes
 - Worship services two nights
 - NOTE: You will have chores to perform at the church (meal prep, meal cleanup, bathroom cleaning, etc.)
- Friday
 - Fun day, unless weather or other unforeseen circumstances prevent completion of the homes
 - Shabat service in the evening

WORK TEAM STRUCTURE



- Missioners organized as follows:
 - Three teams of 12
 - House Leaders:
 - John McBeth
 - Brian Rezac
 - Verna Karolenko
 - Team assignments be announced on Sunday evening as part of orientation
- Work teams **MUST** stay together!

REMINDER!

- Be sure to wear your name tag every day!!



WORK PROJECTS

- We will be working on three homes next to each other:
 - 3 blitz builds! (They call the “House Raise Challenge”)
 - 12-13 DreamBuilders plus 3-4 HDA construction personnel per home
- Very experienced HDA team
 - Have been in business for 30+ years
 - Have built close to 350 homes in and around Hazard

WORSHIP LEADERS

- **Jewish service: Arthur Gold**
- **Christian service: Chris Tang[†]**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

- Chore assignments: Verna Karolenko
- Trip nurse: Karen Luman
- Group chat creation: TBD
- Vehicle decoration: Young Adults
- Church room assignments for sleeping: Bill & Pam Brazis
- T-shirt laundering: TBD

MEALS

- Continental breakfast at church
 - Adults will set up breakfast
 - Teens will clean up
- Make your own lunches each day, place in coolers for transport to work site
- Dinners
 - Cooked at church Monday thru Wednesday, Friday (Lisa Biewer, Verna Karolenko and Pam Brazis are planning meals)
 - 2 nights dining out
 - Sunday night: Pizza
 - Thursday night: Buffet at Big Blue Smokehouse

SATURDAY, JUNE 21 TRAVEL DAY

- **Clean Volunteer Center**
- **Pack and drive home**
- **Target lift-off time: 8:30 AM**
- **Wear your DreamBuilders t-shirt!**
- **One hour from Temple Isaiah, all those needing a ride home call their rides to give them an ETA**
- **Once you enter a vehicle, you must stay with that vehicle until we arrive home**
- **At Temple Isaiah, return vehicle binder to John McBeth**
- **Drivers return rentals to Budget by Sunday, 11:30 AM**





OUR RULES FOR A SAFE, MEMORABLE EXPERIENCE

CONSTRUCTION SITE RULES

- **Construction sites can be dangerous.**
- **Paying attention to what you are doing eliminates risk of injury.**
- **Always be aware of your surroundings.**
- **Wear proper worksite clothing (no sandals, open-toed shoes, clothes you don't mind getting dirty or paint on, hats).**
- **Work with a buddy.**
- **If you see something that doesn't look right, QUESTION IT.**
- **If you are asked to do something you are not sure of, ASK one of the site staff to help you out.**
- **If you are uncomfortable doing a task, say so.**
- **If you injure yourself or see someone else injured, seek immediate attention.**

SAFETY RULES

- **Never use a power tool without proper training**
- **Always wear safety glasses when using power tools.**
- **If one person is on a ladder, someone else needs to be on the ground holding it.**
- **If anyone is working overhead, everyone on the ground must wear a hard hat.**
- **Never lay a board on the ground with a nail sticking through it: “Gator”**
- **Do not leave tools on top of ladders: “Head banger”**
- **Never stack boards vertically against the wall.**
- **“STOP!” command. Everyone stops.**

GOOD BEHAVIOR RULES



DREAMBUILDERS' RULES & EXPECTATIONS

Please remember:

- ***We are a faith-based, mission community.***
- ***We represent DreamBuilders, the congregations we are part of, and each other.***
- ***DreamBuilders has a wonderful reputation and we want to keep it that way. What people say about us:***
 - ***Very organized***
 - ***Fun to work with***
 - ***Very high-quality work***
 - ***We always complete more than expected***

RULES & EXPECTATIONS (CONT'D)

- **Obey the HDA Safety Policies.**
- **Follow the directions and/or instructions of the HDA staff.**
- **Do not use improper and/or threatening language of any kind. This includes, but is not limited to, swearing, racial slurs, and sexually explicit or suggestive comments.**
- **No use of cell phones, iPods, MP3 players while working on site.**

CONCLUSION

You are there to help someone else. But, you are also there to learn and grow. Do that by having fellowship and fun. Just be safe.

