

About Providence Presbytery's Mission Experiences...

Would you like to meet and talk with Jesus? This can happen when ever the hungry are being fed; the sick are cared for, and the hurting are comforted in Christ's name.



In 2010 Providence Presbytery is offering a variety of ways for Presbyterians to experience mission from a different perspective; to journey beyond the borders of our own everyday lives to develop and use new skills and understanding, and explore what God intends for each of us.

These life changing opportunities are:

- **Youth Mission Retreat 2010 at Bethelwoods**

March 26-27, 2010

Join the Middle Schoolers and High Schoolers of our presbytery as they gather for worship and learning as well as to serve others and learn ways to alleviate hunger in our area.

- **Dental and Optical Mission to Honduras 2010**

May 28 thru June 5, 2010

Health workers and non-technical volunteers will be spending a week working in the mountains near La Esperanza operating dental and medical clinics.

- **Presbytery Gulf Coast Mission Trip 2010**

June 18 thru July 25, 2010

We will partner with Government St Presbyterian Church in Mobile, AL to provide assistance to a number of urban needs in the area.

For more Information
and additional applications contact:

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Gulf Coast Mission Trip 2010

Friday, June 18, 2010 -- Saturday, June 25, 2010



Intergenerational Experience

Mobile Alabama area



Guided by the Spirit; let us
serve, support and connect
God's people



The Word of God came to Jeremiah...

“Build houses and settle down;
plant gardens and eat their produce...”



The Providence Presbytery Mission Group

will live in community at the Baytreat Lodge on the Eastern Shore of Mobile Bay. We will form community by preparing and eating meals together, working for others and learning from them; sharing household chores, praying daily and sharing the Bible, reflecting privately through journaling, and relaxing by the Bay.

...seek the peace & prosperity of the city to which I have sent you ...

Monday through Thursday, the group will travel to mission sites in downtown Mobile and the surrounding Gulf Coast. As they work on different projects, campers learn from those they serve about urban issues and what God is doing among the poor in South Alabama. Thursday afternoon, campers take a well-earned break, relaxing on the beaches of Gulf Shores and perhaps enjoying some of the Gulf Coast's tasty seafood at a local restaurant.

...pray to the Lord for it, for if it prospers so shall you too prosper”

Jeremiah 29.5-7

Learn to live **simply,**
that others may **simply live...**



What are the details?

Trip dates: June 18 to June 25, 2010

Who is eligible?: Members of any church in Providence Presbytery over 17 years of age. Prime-timers will also find this a rewarding experience.

What we'll be doing: Driving to Mobile Alabama to work on a variety of urban mission projects including working with the homeless, handicapped, the elderly, veterans, battered women and hurricane survivors. We will also be focusing on spirituality and community building. There will be time for a day off at the end of our trip.

Cost: The traveler is responsible for 1/3 of the cost of the trip (\$175). The other 2/3 is paid by your home church and by presbytery. This includes ALL expenses other than incidentals.

Health: The trip requires that you be in fair physical health. Accommodations will be simple, but not uncomfortable; dorm style accommodations and bathing facilities. And

What are my responsibilities?

- Attendance at 4 training meetings (Monday evenings)
- Individual and shared duties while on the trip (Treasurer, Photographer, Journal Keeper, daily devotional, etc.)
- Treat each member of the team with respect as a child of God and an equal
- Adapt to inner city urban experience with a smile and an open mind
- Work with, learn from and pray with your colleagues in mission, as well as our local partners

How are travelers selected?

- Fill out the application and return by January 15, 2010
- A personal interview will be scheduled to discuss your application.

Application form for 2010 GULF COAST MISSION TRIP

Trip Dates: June 18-June 25, 2010
APPLICATION DEADLINE: January 15, 2010

Those applying to participate in this mission trip should be active members of one of the churches in Providence Presbytery, however we will consider applications from others if there is space. All participants should be willing to participate in all preparation sessions and the followup activities.

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Name (as it appears on your passport) _____

Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Home phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Email _____

Sex ___ Date of Birth _____ Occupation _____ Daytime phone _____

Church _____ T-shirt size? _____(for 2010 Traveler T-shirt!)

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Because we ask your home church to participate in funding 1/3 of the cost of the trip (\$175), you will need to have your Minister or Clerk of Session sign this application before you submit it to the Presbytery office.

_____ Church recommends this applicant for the 2010 Gulf Coast Mission Trip and agrees to pay 1/3 of the cost of the trip (\$175).

Signed: _____
(minister or clerk of session)

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Travelers must agree to participate in the pre-trip training/preparation sessions on the following dates: Monday, Feb 8 (6:00 – 8:00); March meeting of Presbytery (commissioning), Monday, March 22 (6:00 – 8:00); Monday, April 19 (6:00 – 8:00); Sunday, June 13 (4:00 – 6:30) covered dish supper and communion service for travelers & their families; the Dimes for Hunger dinner—date in Sept 2010 not yet set.

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Your answers to the following questions will be used in addition to a personal interview on Sunday, February 22nd, 2010 to select the participants for the 2010 Gulf Coast Mission Trip to Mobile, AL. If you need additional space, please attach an extra sheet of paper.

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1. Why would you like to participate in the 2010 Gulf Coast Mission Partnership?

