



## WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

### 2012 Summer Youth Mission Trips and Conferences



#### Appalachia Service Project Jonesville, VA Spring Break, April 12-14

This trip is a youth **and** parent trip during the Guilford County School's Spring Break. During this trip, together the youth and parents will work together with families to make their homes drier, warmer, and safe places. The most significant transformation often takes place in the hearts of the volunteers and homeowners. Put another way, this ministry builds faith, strengthens relationships, and fosters a spirit of service in addition to building better housing for Appalachian families.



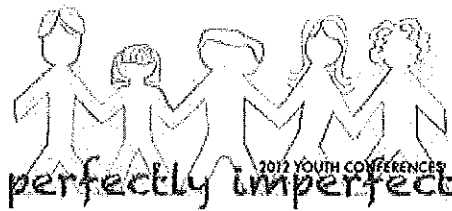
#### Massanetta Springs Middle School Conference "Vivid and Visible" June 26-29

[www.massanettasprings.org](http://www.massanettasprings.org)

*You are the light of the world, a city built on a hill cannot be hid.*

To sing "this little light of mine" reminds us of childhood—of a song calling us to hold high our small little "finger lights" all around our neighborhoods, on top of a bushel basket, and so high that Satan won't "pheww them out." Years pass, and the "little light" is crowded, dimmed, maybe even snuffed out by a world full of constant, glaring, blinking lights, or maybe by indifference and busyness. So, how do we be lights that are healthy, bold, full of grace, vivid and fully visible? Lights shining so brightly for Jesus Christ that nothing could ever blow them out?!

The 2012 Middle School Conference will be a "city on the hill," seeking ways to answer this question. We will also seek to ignite youth and adults so that by summer's end, the world will see "this little light of ours" vivid and visible for a world that longs for the light.



**Montreat Youth Conference**  
**"Perfectly Imperfect"**  
**July 8-14**

<http://www.montreat.org/current/2012-youth-conferences-at-montreat>

We will come together as a community of faith in this sacred place. Free of distraction, we will focus on the God who accepts us just as we are. While we have fun with friends, we will celebrate God through meaningful, creative and interactive worship. Youth will be inspired and challenged to affirm and deepen their sense of Christian identity.

The Montreat Youth Conferences are designed for high school students, entering freshmen through graduated seniors. A Youth Conference is a unique gathering of young people from all over the country for a week of study, worship, and recreation. Activities include morning energizers, music, keynote, small group meetings where the conference theme is explored, afternoon recreation activities, and evening worship.



**Broad Street Youth Initiative**  
**Summer Mission Experience**  
**Philadelphia, PA**  
**July 22-28**

[www.broadstreetministry.org](http://www.broadstreetministry.org)

Broad Street Ministry is an emerging community of faith that:

- Honors CREATIVITY it all it pursues
- Strives to extend hospitality intentionally to each and all
- Works tirelessly for a more just and compassionate city

We provide several days of service learning and opportunities for authentic relationship building with the people of Philadelphia. An effort will be made to take groups to different neighborhoods in the city and discuss poverty, homelessness, hunger, and health care all grounded within a theological framework. A particular goal will be to engage youth with the poor and disadvantaged who are trying to make a difference in their community through social action. Stereotypes will be broken, not re-enforced. The week will end in a service of commissioning to send students back to their own communities where faithful transformation may continue. The BSM Youth Initiative is born out of a local congregation that values worship, hospitality, community, diversity, social justice, risk, creativity and the arts.

# Youth Trip Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Current age and grade completed as of June 2012: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents' name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's cell number \_\_\_\_\_

Parent-e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Youth's Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please check the box beside the trip you are applying for:**

Appalachian Service Project - Spring Break (April 12-14), cost \$100

**Middle School Opportunities (Rising 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders):**

Massanetta Springs Conference (June 26-29); cost: \$175

**High School Opportunities (Rising 9<sup>th</sup> - Graduated 12<sup>th</sup> graders):**

Montreat Conference, Week III (July 8-14); cost: \$275

Philadelphia Mission, Broad Street (July 22-28); cost: \$275

**PLEASE ATTACH A SEPARATE PAGE WITH ANSWERS TO THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:**

1. Please tell us why you want to participate on this trip? Have you been on a Youth Ministry trip before?
2. What would you like to experience on the trip? How do you expect to encounter God and your neighbor on the trip?
3. In what ways do you participate in the life of Westminster Presbyterian church?
4. Which worship service do you attend?  
 6:00 Saturday  9:30 Lake Brandt  9:30 Friendly  11:00 Traditional  11:00 Contemporary  
 How often do you attend worship?

**Return to:**

Lucy Jefferies, Westminster Presbyterian Church, 3906 W Friendly Ave., Greensboro NC 27410.

**Applications are due by January 8, 2012 with a \$100 NON-REFUNDABLE deposit.**

**Other payment due dates: March 25, 2012 - \$100/\$75(MS) and May 6, 2012 - \$75**

Confidential scholarships are available, contact Marti Reed Hazelrigg.

Please complete 2012 Youth Registration/Release Form (available online) if your student does not already have one on file with Youth Ministry.

