

January 2012

Dear Youth Leader,

I want to thank you for interest in participating in New York GO high impact missional experiences. New York GO exists to raise a generation of gospel driven students that love the local church and desire to impact the world with the gospel.

This year we are offering the following exciting weeks of ministry:

\*If you would like to inquire about other weeks please contact us by phone 347-829-6946

The enclosed documents will give you an explanation of what your experience in NYC may look like, with flexibility to customize your week to match the “style” of your group and accomplish your specific goals.

Each week runs from noon on Saturday to noon on Friday. Please see the enclosed *Travel Information* sheet for more information.

Also enclosed is the *Mission Team Application*, which needs to be filled out and returned by **March 1, 2011** along with your full, non-refundable deposit (\$100/attendee). Upon confirmation of your group’s enrollment, we will send out the remaining paperwork (i.e. student health forms, release forms, program guidelines) and we can begin customizing your schedule (specific ministry activities, Broadway shows, etc.).

If you have any questions please contact us at (347) 829-6946 or email me [jessica@newyorkgo.org](mailto:jessica@newyorkgo.org) and I will be happy to assist you.

Thanks again and I look forward in assisting you!

In His Service,

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## Mission Experiences opportunities 2012

**Urban Missional Camp (UMC) \*ONLY JUNE 30<sup>TH</sup> – JULY 6<sup>TH</sup> 2012\***

**Length: Six Days/ Seven nights**

**Difficulty: Moderate**

**Age Group: Junior High/High School students**

**Location: New York City – Modern Youth Hostel**

Our goal is to challenge your students to discover the differences between nominal Christianity and an ignited, passionate life that is driven by the Gospel. Students stay at great accommodations that provide a safe environment. Each day is filled with challenging opportunities to share their faith in parks and streets of NYC

Amazing New York City pastors teach apologetics and evangelism in the mornings, the afternoons are spent in the parks and plazas sharing the Gospel. In the parks, you will have the opportunity to ask thought provoking questions as a lead in to sharing the Gospel. The prayer station is a unique ministry tool. As people stop for you to pray for their earthly needs, this allows you to share with them their spiritual need of a Savior. Plus there is plenty of free time to enjoy the city. Evenings fellowship dinner helps build relationships with other churches and new friends. Each night ends with a corporate worship service.

**The Next Level (TNL) - Various weeks**

**Length: Six days/Seven nights**

**Difficulty: High**

**Age Group: Students ages 15+**

**Location: New York City – Local Church**

In partnership with New York City churches, The Next Level mission experience takes students on a high impact week of service, and sacrifice for others. The mission centers on a neighborhood in NYC (Harlem, Washington Heights or Inwood).

Your group will stay in the local church for the length of the mission experience. They will serve the local church and its mission while strengthening their own faith. The Next Level cultivates “servant leaders” who impact others through missional, Gospel-centered living.

The physical and spiritual demands of this mission experience are intense. We recommend that students and adults that participate in TNL be in good health and committed spiritually. We challenge the participants to fast one day of the week. They are also encouraged to lead a devotional for their group.

## PRICING

The cost for UMC is \$700 and for is TNL \$650 / per attendee. **There is a minimum requirement of 25 participants for TNL week.** This price covers all costs associated with the program from the time you arrive to the time you leave, including food, lodging\*, transportation in NYC, outreach materials, t-shirt, water bottle, some sight-seeing, and on-going administrative costs incurred year-round.

***A non-refundable deposit*** of \$100 per participant is required with your application to secure your requested number of participants.

Non -refundable deposit deadlines are as follows:

Winter/Spring mission deposit    December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2011

Summer mission deposit            March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012

Final balance:

Winter / Spring registrations are due on or before March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012

Summer registrations are due on or before June 1, 2012.

Please do your best to adhere to these requirements to ensure that we are completely prepared when you arrive. You can pay by check made out to "New York GO," by credit card via our website ([newyorkgo.org](http://newyorkgo.org)) or by calling us with the necessary credit card information for your application.

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## MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Please read the following for an idea of the types of ministry your team will be engaged in during your time in New York City. Most likely, we will not have a chance to accomplish *everything* listed below, but we do our best to provide each group with as many diverse ministry experiences as possible.

### **Mercy Ministry**

We will devote at least one day to ministering to the homeless and less fortunate in our city. Students will have a chance to pack “love bags” filled with toiletries, food, water, a Bible, and other necessities.\* We will then go out into the city to distribute the bags, talk and pray with those we meet, and find other ways to show them the love of Jesus.

### **Evangelism**

We want each student to leave NYC having shared his or her faith with at least one person. This can occur in any number of ways (personal testimony, discussion of Christianity with someone of a different faith, traditional presentation of the Gospel...) and in any number of different settings (conversation on the subway or ferry to the Statue of Liberty, Central Park, street evangelism, etc.). Students should be comfortable with talking about Jesus with others and we will provide training on how to be better equipped with this often terrifying (though it shouldn't be!) element of our call as followers of Jesus.

### **Prayer**

We believe that Prayer is the most powerful and under-utilized tools Christians have. Students will be pushed (sensitively) to engage themselves in conversation with their Creator. We will pray over different parts of city, walk through different neighborhoods asking God to bring His Light to the darkness, pray with people walking the streets on Manhattan, and pray for each other as brothers and sisters in Christ. We want to be people devoted to a lifestyle of prayer and hope to equip and encourage your students to desire the same.

### **Work/Service**

There are plenty opportunities to serve New York City and never enough laborers! Through a variety of friends, neighbors, and partners in the city, students have a chance to serve the Lord through work/service projects such as: painting public school classrooms, picking garbage up on the streets and in parks, amateur “construction” projects at local churches, volunteer labor for partner ministries, etc.

### **Children's Outreach**

There are multiple parks, playgrounds, and city blocks in our neighborhood *filled* with children who need to experience the love of Jesus. We engage our groups in “Kids' Klubs” every afternoon to interact with the children through games, songs, stories that convey positive life lessons, crafts\*, snacks, and any other fun, creative ideas **you** may have! We will visit the same site(s) each day so that participants will have a chance to really get to know and build relationships with the kids in our community.

\*Feel free to bring your materials for “love bags,” crafts, or any other donations you'd like to make toward those we will be ministering to.

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## SAMPLE ITINERARY

The general itinerary below is an example of what a typical week might look like. Final itineraries will be provided in your registration packet in NYC.

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### Saturday –

- Arriving LGA (Delta 1234) – 11:50am
- Lunch – 12:30pm
- Orientation at Host Church – 1:30pm
  - Facilities
  - Subway Training
  - Vision Casting
- Depart church @ 3:00pm
- Top of the Rock – 4:30pm
  - Prayer Groups (PowerPoint)
- Dinner – 6:00pm
- Times Square Game
- Return to church – 9:00pm
- Debrief/Sleep

### Sunday –

- Breakfast – 9:00am
- Devos/Vision Pt. 2 – 9:45-10:15am
- Children Church Setup
- Church church – 11:00am
- Lunch at Gray's – 1:30pm
- Conversations in Park – 2:30pm
- Statue of Liberty – 5:00pm
- Dinner – 6:30pm
- Return to church – 8:00pm

### Monday –

- Breakfast/Devos – 8:00am
- Team Training – 9:30am
- Lunch – 12:00pm
- Prayer Walk – 12:30-2:15pm
- Kids' Klub Training – 2:30-4:30pm
- Kids' Klub – 4:30-6:00pm
- Dinner – 6:30pm
- Prayer Concert – 7:30pm
- Debrief/Sleep

### Tuesday –

- Breakfast/Devos – 8:00am
- Train in homeless ministry – 9:30am
- Depart for Ministry Sites – 11:00am
- Lunch – 12:00pm
- Homeless Ministry – 12:30-4:30pm
- Kids' Klub – 5:30-7:00pm
- Dinner – 7:30pm
- Return to church – 9:30pm
- Debrief/Sleep

### Wednesday –

- Breakfast/Devos – 8:00am
- Prayer/Evangelism Training – 9:30
- Depart for Ministry Sites – 11:00am
- Lunch – 12:00pm
- Evangelism/Prayer – 1:00-4:00pm
- Kids' Klub – 5:00-6:30pm
- Dinner – 7:00pm
- Debrief/Sleep

### Thursday – Breakfast/Devos – 8:00am

- TNL Challenge – 9:30am
- Free Time
- Final Dinner – 6:30pm
- Return to church – 9:00pm
- Debrief/Sleep

### Friday –

- Breakfast/Devos – 8:00am
- Bus Pick-Up – 9:30am
- Depart LGA (Delta 1234) – 12:15pm

**TRAVEL INFORMATION**

When making your travel arrangements, please take the following into consideration:

**Air:**

- The Next Level missions experience runs weekly from *Saturday to Friday*. If you arrive prior to Saturday or depart later than Friday, all lodging and meals will be at the expense of your group.
- Preferred arrival and departure times are **12:00pm**. As close as you can book your flights to these times, the more convenient it will be for both parties. We are willing to work with you, however, if there is a significant difference in airfare for other times.
- There is an additional \$15/person transportation fee for all airport pickups in order to transport luggage to and from the location at which your group will be staying.
- LaGuardia (LGA) and John F. Kennedy (JFK) airports are most convenient for us and least stressful for you (LGA is preferred; JFK arrivals will include an extra \$10/person for the shuttle train from airport to subway).

**Land:**

- If you planning on driving to New York City, please be advised that parking (for free) can be very difficult. There are parking garages in the area where you can house your vehicle(s), but usually at an unpleasant cost ([nyc.bestparking.com](http://nyc.bestparking.com)).
- Trains run into Penn Station and Grand Central station where we can easily meet you and guide to our facility up town.

**Sea:**

- We do not recommend boating or swimming to New York City.

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**Flight Information**

NAME OF GROUP: \_\_\_\_\_

ARRIVAL DATE: _____	TIME: _____	CITY: _____
AIRPORT: _____	AIRLINE: _____	FLIGHT #: _____
DEPARTURE DATE: _____	TIME: _____	CITY: _____
AIRPORT: _____	AIRLINE: _____	FLIGHT #: _____

NOTES: \_\_\_\_\_

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\*Please return this form via mail, or email to ([info@newyorkgo.org](mailto:info@newyorkgo.org))  
as soon as you know your travel plans\*