

Greetings, Fellow Dakotas Youthworkers!

CHICAGO MISSION TRIP FOR AGES 14 AND UP!

I'm excited to finally be able to share some details with you about this summer's mission trip to Chicago. A number of you have confirmed dates and costs with me and now here are the details you have been seeking. We'll be leaving from Watertown First UMC (4 2nd Ave SE) on a Sunday to allow West River and North Dakota groups to travel on Saturday, and returning to Watertown First UMC the following Sunday.



As our travel will be completed in just one day this year, not only will the trip cost less, but the youth and adults should need to bring less money for food along the way. We will have some time for souvenir shopping and some sightseeing, but admissions, etc. will be part of your \$550 cost.

We look forward to working with a Chicago-area church during the week of July 11-18, 2010. We will be staying in a local UMC and working on improving homes in that same neighborhood. This is one of the great strengths of the ministry we will be working with this summer.

We have chosen to work with an organization out of Texas called U.M. ARMY. This is a youth mission-based group that has worked with local United Methodist churches and their neighborhoods in Texas for more than 30 years. They are now looking to take their gifts to other parts of the country. We are honored to be the first group from the North Central Jurisdiction to work with this seasoned organization.

The first step to registering your groups is to register and pay the \$150 deposit (\$100 non-refundable) just as you would for any Conference Camp. For your info, the working definition for youth is 14 years through graduated senior (May 2010). Young adults (ages 19-21) and adults should complete the adult registration form being sure to complete all the information that allows a background check to be completed. Registration forms for adults and youth are available on the www.dakcamps.org website, or youth can go through the on-line registration process and move to the top of the list! If youth register on-line \$150 is still required to reserve their spot. Young adults and adults will need to download the adult registration form, complete it and mail it along with the \$150 deposit to PO Box 460, Mitchell, SD 57301.

Once again, this will be a UM-VIM insured event, so you will also need to complete the larger registration packet that will eventually be posted to the camping website and available on www.dakyouth.com. Instructions for the completion of the UM-VIM packet will be sent once we receive your camper registration and \$150 deposit. Dates for the remaining payments are available on the enclosed poster.

As this is a first-ever U.M. ARMY project in Chicago, we're not quite sure about sightseeing, but we intend to have a fun day at Six Flags in the Chicago area, with the option for a limited number to attend a Cubs game and visit the Lincoln Park Zoo. There might be an extra charge for the Cubs, and details will be available as soon as that is ironed out.

We look forward to seeing you this summer,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Pastor Dayne". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Dayne Zachrison, Trip Dean

P.S. We have tentative dates for the Global Youth Gathering trip in 2011! Save July 10-18, 2011 for a great trip to Purdue including mission work, great concerts and incredible speakers.