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# Camp Jubilee

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Rd Tazewell, TN  
37879

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Greenville, SC 29607



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# Appalachia

July 4<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>

The Appalachia Mission is an opportunity for evangelistic outreach in the tri-state area of Kentucky, Tennessee, and Virginia. It gives young people and adults an excellent opportunity to share their faith with others. It is a great experience for a youth group to grow spiritually. Each night all teams will come together to worship, study the Word, pray, and encourage one another in the Lord's work.

## Requirements

- ~ Students must have completed the 9th grade (exceptions made on an individual basis).
- ~ Each group needs to form a team with a minimum of 11 students and 3 adult leaders. It is strongly recommended that you provide an adequate number of both male & female chaperones for your group. Typically, groups serve at the same location year after year. If it is your first time, we will match your group with a church. If your group cannot form an entire team, we will help you partner with another group.
- ~ Team leaders are responsible for the training and preparation for a weeklong VBS for their assigned church. Teams must provide their own materials, including curriculum, arts, crafts, snacks, and recreation. Please refer to the next pages of this packet for more information, such as dress code and what to bring.

Appalachia Director, Rev. Bob Elliott is responsible for assigning teams to the church sites.  
For questions, contact Bob [bob3edgemoorarp@gmail.com](mailto:bob3edgemoorarp@gmail.com) – 803-627-6286 or  
Jordan Bernard (Co-Director) [jordanbernard90@gmail.com](mailto:jordanbernard90@gmail.com) - 803-417-7304

**The total cost per person is \$350.00.**

**If you are staying through Saturday, add \$25 per person.**

To register your group, please complete the "Group Registration Form" and email it to Jordan Bernard on or before **April 15, 2026.\***

**\*There will be a \$50 late fee per person if registered after this date.**

**A deposit of \$100.00 per person is required at Registration.**

**This can be paid on-line or by check mailed to:**

**Appalachia Mission, 918 S. Pleasantburg Dr, Greenville, SC 29607**

**You will receive an invoice for the balance due at the end of the trip.  
Please do NOT bring the balance to Camp Jubilee.**

**Final payment due within 30 days of the trip.**

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## Speaker: Rev. Morrie Lawing

Rev. Lawing began as the Executive Director of Outreach North America in January 2025. He holds an M.Div. from Erskine Theological Seminary. His first call was as Associate Pastor at Bartow ARP in Florida (1993-1996). From 1996 to 2005, he was the founding pastor of Ballantyne ARP Church in Charlotte, NC. In 2005, he became the founding pastor of Christ Church ARP in Denver, NC. Morrie has been happily married to Lori for 37 years and they have 5 children and 9 grandchildren!

**Worship Leader: TBD**

### Saturday – July 4

10:00 - 4:30 pm      Registration  
6:00 pm                Dinner (on your own)  
12:30 am              Lights Out

### Sunday – July 5

8:00 – 9:00 am      Breakfast (on your own)  
9:00 – 12:00        Church at VBS site  
1:00 pm                Lunch (on your own)  
2:30 – 5:30 pm      Canvas Neighborhoods  
6:00 pm                Dinner (on your own)  
7:30 pm                Evening Session  
10:00 pm              Team Meetings  
12:30 am              Lights Out

### Monday – Thursday – July 6 - 9

6:45 – 7:45 am      Breakfast  
8:00 – 1:00 pm      VBS (bag lunch on site)  
4:00 pm                Team Meetings  
5:00 – 6:00 pm      Dinner  
6:30 pm                Leaders' Meeting  
7:30 – 9:30 pm      Evening Session  
12:30 am              Lights Out

### Friday – July 10

6:45 – 7:45 am      Breakfast  
8:00 am                Check Out A  
8:00 – 1:00 pm      Last Day of VBS  
                                 Bag Lunch on Site  
1:00 – 3:00 pm      Check Out B



## Ministry Details

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### Saturday

Your team should plan to arrive at Camp Jubilee on Saturday between 10:00am and 4:30pm. You will register your group and be given your room assignments. You should contact your assigned church, so they know you have arrived.

Supper is **on your own**. Most folks go to a restaurant in Harrogate (Ryan's, Shoney's, etc.). You may want to invite someone from the church (pastor and wife) to eat the Saturday evening meal with your group. If you invite someone from the church to eat with you, we suggest your group pay for their meal.

Normally, we kick off the week with a meeting and worship. With Saturday being July 4th, our opening gathering will be moved to Sunday evening in order for your group to catch the fireworks in Middlesboro. This will also mean that any last minute preparations or Walmart trips typically reserved for Sunday evening will need to be done earlier.

A worship service will be held each night Sunday-Thursday at 7:30pm, to which all team members are expected to attend. It will include an opportunity for 3-4 teams to share about their day, then worship and teaching, and end with prayer. We feel this time of worship together is vital to the overall experience of the week.

### Sunday

Breakfast is **on your own** Sunday morning. You will attend your sponsoring church's morning worship.  
(See page 8 for church dress code).

Be sure to bring a change of clothes, as after church, you will go door to door around the neighborhood and invite children to the VBS. We suggest putting the students in groups of two as they go door to door. Bring flyers to give out and/or post in various places. Many groups decorate their van with posters and streamers and give out candy.

Lunch and supper are **on your own**. Evening Worship begins at 7:30pm. Leader will have a meeting one hour prior to each evening worship.

### Monday - Thursday

Monday through Thursday your group will eat breakfast at Camp Jubilee, then travel to your sponsoring church site. All groups will receive bag lunches, which will be ready for pick up in the back of the cafeteria before you leave. Please designate one person to pick up the appropriate number of bag lunches for your group, to avoid duplicate lunches taken for groups.

After VBS, some groups go shopping on the way back to Camp Jubilee for items they may need for the next day's VBS. You should plan time for rest and a team meeting before supper.

Evening worship and leader's meeting will follow the same schedule as Sunday.

### Friday

For departure, groups will be given an assigned check out time (either morning or afternoon). Your rooms at Camp Jubilee will be inspected for items left or damages prior to departure.

### Saturday

If you are planning to leave on Saturday morning, there is an extra cost of \$25 per person for the extra night at Camp Jubilee. Please indicate this when you register. Breakfast will not be served on Saturday morning.



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## Frequently Asked Questions

### What do we need to bring?

Housing is bunk house/ bunk bed style and shared bathrooms. Bring toiletries, personal bedding items, towels. For evening meetings: Bible, notebook, and pen. For VBS—teaching and crafts materials, balloons, streamers, etc. for decorating the room (and your church van), sports/games equipment, props for skits, prizes/giveaways and snacks. For canvassing, bring flyers and candy. We recommend putting songs on posterboard. A couple of card tables may be helpful since some locations do not have extra tables.

For a more detailed list, see page 6.

### What kind of curriculum materials should we use?

Groups usually use materials that have been used in their home church's VBS or other children's program materials such as Child Evangelism Fellowship (CEF). Props from VBS curriculum that your church may have left over are perfect. If your church holds a VBS, involving your Appalachia team will provide them with good experience in preparation for the week. Whatever material you use should present the Gospel, especially the cross, in a clear way. We want children to have an opportunity to respond to a clear presentation of the Gospel. It is important that each student in your group knows how to help a child respond to Jesus for salvation.

### Will we need to bring personal spending money?

Yes. Each student and leader will need money to pay for their meals on Saturday (lunch and supper), and Sunday breakfast, lunch, and supper meals. They will also need money for any personal snacks they might want. We may have T-Shirts and Bible study books for sale before and after the evening meetings.

### Do we need to bring a van?

Yes. We have found that a church van is almost essential to driving the team and VBS kids back and forth. One van is essential. Two is ideal. If you decorate your van, do not use shaving cream or anything else that might damage the paint. Some have learned the hard way.



# What to Bring

## Clothing / Linens

- Church attire for Sunday Worship
- Modest clothing (see below for Dress Code)
- Toiletries (Soap, Shampoo, Toothbrush/Toothpaste, Personal hygiene items)
- Your medications (in original containers)
- Jacket /Sweatshirt and Rain Jacket
- Closed-toed shoes (recommended)
- Sleeping Bag or Sheets / Blankets and Pillow (bunk-beds)
- Towels, Washcloth, and Shower Curtain

## Evening Sessions

- Bible
- Notebook / Pen

## VBS

- Teaching Materials (Bibles, VBS Packets, Songs on poster board, etc.)
- Crafts supplies and Prizes/Giveaways
- Recreation Equipment (Balls, Jump Ropes, Parachute, Chalk, Line Divider Cones, etc.)
- Decoration Materials (Balloons, Streamers, VBS/Skit Props, Posters, Tabledoths, etc.)
- Canvassing Materials (Flyers, Candy bags)
- Snacks for the kids (Water, Juice, Crackers, Cookies, etc.)
- Card Table (some churches do not have extra tables)

Note: There is a Dollar General and a Wal-Mart which are easily accessible. The Dollar General is in Harrogate, TN, and the Wal-Mart is in nearby Middlesboro, Kentucky.

## Dress Code

In order to promote respect for ourselves and for the opposite sex, clear guidelines with regards to dress have been established for the Appalachia Trip. Please review these guidelines as you prepare for the conference and pack accordingly.

- Shirts should touch the waistline of shorts/pants/skirts and should cover the stomach and back. Shirts should not be tight or low cut. There should be no exposure of cleavage or undergarments (boxer shorts included).
- Bathing suits must be modest.
- Clothing should not display offensive pictures or words.
- Modesty is the key! Please respect the leaders' decisions concerning the appropriateness of your attire.

*“Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own.” - 1 Corinthians 6:19*

# History of the Appalachia Mission

2026 will mark the 45<sup>th</sup> year of The Appalachia Mission. It wasn't always known as "The Appalachia Mission." For several years, it was simply "The Kentucky Mission Trip." In 1981, a Presbyterian youth director, Johnny Price from Columbia, SC joined forces with Bill Hazelwood, a Southern Baptist pastor in Cumberland Gap, where Kentucky, Tennessee and Virginia come together. The vision was to form a team of high school students who would come from Columbia to do a Bible School for children in the Kentucky area. That summer, Price took eleven students and five adults to Bell County, Kentucky to conduct a week of Bible Schools in two churches.

During the years that followed, the ministry grew. The gospel was shared with children living in a region with one of the highest levels of poverty and illiteracy rates in the country, who are often neglected and abused. Christian young people gave of themselves creatively and enthusiastically, often sacrificing sleep and comfort for the privilege of having Jesus love these children through them. A love for and commitment to missions began to grow in the hearts of many of these young people; children came to know Christ as their Savior, and, most importantly, the Lord was honored.

In 1986, Price took the position of Director of Youth and Family for the ARP denomination. Under his leadership, more young people joined the annual trips, and churches served spread into Virginia and Tennessee. The name was changed to "The Appalachia Mission." Through this ministry, hundreds of young people have participated, and thousands of children have been shown the love of Christ and that someone cares. And the local pastors and churches have been encouraged.

Join us for this amazing opportunity to make Christ known!



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## Testimonial From a Church

*“We are deeply appreciative to have had the mission team. We were very much impressed with their conduct and responsiveness — any time someone started a sentence “We need . . .” or “Could someone . . .”, the available teens were immediately on their feet and ready to help as needed. We were impressed with their commitment to the work — they were constantly reviewing their parts and pitching in to help the others. During the week, we saw some real growth in the team as they had to be flexible to meet new situations and changes in spite of the fatigue that we could see setting in. In addition, we were pleased to see growth in our own teenagers who assisted as “helpers.” We achieved all of the goals we had for the week and then some.*

*Many thanks for assigning this team to us. They were a great blessing. If possible, next year we would like to have them again.”*

*Yours in Christ’s service,*

*Don Ave, Pastor*

*Grace Fellowship Presbyterian Church, Middlesboro, KY*

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“Getting children to meet in the morning and the afternoon is a waste of their steps and yours if you do not set before them soul-saving truth.”

Charles Spurgeon

# Appalachia Group Registration

Due by April 15, 2026

## Group Information

For Office Use Only	
Date Received:	_____
Check #:	_____ Amt: _____
Number of Registrations:	_____

Group: \_\_\_\_\_

Pastor: \_\_\_\_\_

Church Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Trip Leader: \_\_\_\_\_

Trip Leader's Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Leader's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Chaperones: (Male) \_\_\_\_\_ (Female) \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Participants: (Male) \_\_\_\_\_ (Female) \_\_\_\_\_

(You must have male and female chaperones if you have male and female participants)

We have never been on the Appalachia Mission Trip and will need a VBS site.  
(We will find a site for you and your group)

We have been on the Appalachia Mission Trip before.

## Return Groups

VBS Site Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of years with this site: \_\_\_\_\_

Partner Church Group: (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Number of kids that attended VBS last year: \_\_\_\_\_

Time of Bible School: \_\_\_\_\_ Material Used: \_\_\_\_\_

We will need: (Bag Lunches) \_\_\_\_\_ (Bag Suppers) \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any special events planned that will cause you to miss an evening meal during the week? (Day): \_\_\_\_\_

Other Comments — things which you believe we need to know about your group or ways in which we can help you prepare: (use back of sheet)

# LEADER/STUDENT LIST

Name	Roommate	Address	City, ST	Zip
<u>Leaders (Female)</u>				
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