

THE NEHEMIAH PROJECT 2013

Contact Information

Participant's Name _____ Age _____ Grade Completed _____
Youth serving with the Nehemiah Project need to have completed 6th through 12th grades

Address _____

City _____ State/Prov _____ Zip/Postal code _____

E-mail address _____ T-Shirt Size [XS, S, M, L, XL] _____

Church name _____

Parent/Guardian Name[s] _____

Work Phones/Cell Phones _____ / _____

Construction Experience: *[circle one]* **1**= Little to none **2**= Some experience painting, with a hammer **3**= Experienced

Parental Consent Information

The undersigned do(es) hereby give permission for our (my) child(ren):

_____ (Participant), to attend and participate in **the Nehemiah Project** sponsored by the Nehemiah Project (June 16-21, 2013).

LIABILITY RELEASE: In consideration of **The Nehemiah Project** allowing the Participant to participate in children or youth ministry activities, we (I), the undersigned, do hereby release, forever discharge and agree to hold harmless **The Nehemiah Project**, its directors, employees, volunteers and agents (collectively herein the "NP") from any and all liability, claims or demands for accidental personal injury, sickness or death, as well as property damage and expenses, of any nature whatsoever which may be incurred by the undersigned and the Participant while involved in the children/youth activities. We (I) the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of this Participant hereby grant our (my) permission for the Participant to participate fully in youth ministry activities, including trips away from the church premises.

Furthermore, we (I) [and on behalf of our (my) minor Participant(s)] hereby assume all risk of accidental personal injury, sickness, death, damage and expense as a result of participation in recreation and work activities involved therein. Further, authorization and permission is hereby given to said NP to furnish any necessary transportation (within the limitations of church insurance and the law), food and lodging for this Participant. The undersigned further hereby agree to hold harmless and indemnify said NP for any liability sustained by said NP as the result of the negligent, willful or intentional acts of said Participant, including expenses incurred attendant thereto.

MEDICAL TREATMENT PERMISSION: We (I) authorize an adult, in whose care the minor has been entrusted, to consent to any emergency x-ray examination, anesthetic, medical, surgical or dental diagnosis or treatment and hospital care, to be rendered to the minor under the general or special supervision and on the advice of any physician or dentist licensed under the provisions of the Medical Practice Act on the medical staff of a licensed hospital or emergency care facility. The undersigned shall be liable and agree(s) to pay all costs and expenses incurred in connection with such medical and dental services rendered to the aforementioned child or youth pursuant to this authorization.

PHOTO RELEASE: By signing this form, gives permission to take photos and permission to release photos of youth in the media and publication of the Nehemiah Project and to churches who participate in the Nehemiah Project.

EARLY RETURN HOME POLICY: Should it be necessary for our (my) child or youth to return home due to medical reasons, disciplinary action or otherwise, the undersigned shall assume all transportation costs and responsibility.

TRANSPORTATION PERMISSION: The undersigned does also hereby give permission for our (my) youth to ride in any vehicle driven by an approved ADULT chaperone while attending and participating in activities sponsored by **The Nehemiah Project**. My child/youth and I understand that SEAT BELTS SHALL BE WORN AT ALL TIMES during transportation.

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Medical Information & Release Form

Medical Insurance: YES _____ NO _____ Insurance Company: _____
Policy/Group ID#: _____ Emergency Phone #s in case parent/guardian cannot be reached: _____
Allergies or Medical Conditions: _____
Parent/Guardian Signatures _____ / _____ Date _____

The Nehemiah Project Child-Protection Policy

The Nehemiah Project desires a safe environment for all children and youth. To that end, the Nehemiah Project performs background checks on its entire staff (18 years and older) and requires that each church perform background checks on all of its adult leaders.

Background checks for each adult leader should include . at a minimum . the following:

1. Criminal History Background Check.
2. Sex Offender Background Check.

Policy On Phones and Personal Media Devices

Participants are HIGHLY DISCOURAGED from using their cell phones during the week of camp. The purpose of our time together is to learn how we can be more faithful disciples of Christ in the world and to build community with one another. Constant phone conversations and text messaging with others severely distracts from our purpose and decreases the potential for growth and learning.

Likewise, students are HIGHLY DISCOURAGED from using iPods, MP3 Players, etc. Please note that these items are prohibited on all work sites.

Should you need to reach your child during camp hours in the case of an emergency, an emergency number will be given to all families and you will be connected to the camp office.

The Week At A Glance

Sunday

4:00-5:30	Arrive/Registration Free time/settle in
5:00	Leaders Meeting
5:30	Dinner
7:30	Opening celebration /introductions/worship
9:00	Free Time
10:45	Lights out

Monday-Friday

6:15	Morning Wake-up
6:30	Breakfast
7:35	Morning program/worship
8:00 AM . 2:30 PM	Jr. High working on site
8:00 AM . 3:30 PM	Sr. High working on site
5:00	Dinner
7:30	Evening Program
9:00	Free Time
10:45	Lights Out!

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Youth Covenant & Code of Conduct

During the meetings and events under the sponsorship and guidance of the Nehemiah Project, I recognize that I am a representative of the Christian Community and I am responsible for my actions. I understand that by signing this Covenant, I agree to abide by the following guidelines:

I Shall:

- Recognize that everyone in the group is a part of the body of Christ. I will embrace inclusiveness by making sure that everyone feels welcome and important.
- Respect the physical and emotional well-being of others by ~~going~~ doing unto them as I would have them do unto me.+ (This includes refraining from harsh play or violence, refraining from harmful jokes, respecting the need for sleep, etc.)
- Respect the health of my own body by refraining from the use of tobacco, alcohol, and illegal drugs. I understand that the use of these substances is absolutely prohibited.
- Respect the things I use and the property of places I visit. The areas used for all events, including transportation, shall be left clean.
- Participate fully in ALL scheduled group activities and abide by additional group guidelines made during Nehemiah Project week.
- Act appropriately with members of the opposite sex. This includes not being alone with someone of the opposite sex and refraining from public displays of affection.
- Stay within the group or assigned sub-group at all times. I will not wander off alone or leave the activity site unless granted permission by an adult, and I will report for all designated check-in times.
- Hold safety in the highest regard and refrain from compromising my own safety or another's safety.
- Provide a trusting environment for my peers. When others share something about themselves in a group discussion, I will not repeat that information to other friends outside of the group.
- Restrict the use of my iPod, MP3 Player, cell phone, other personal communication and media devices, etc. during free time. Cell phones and electronics are to be left at the school while crews are serving at work sites.

Guidelines for Consequences:

Consequences will focus on restoring peace with reconciliation among the parties involved. The goal of resolving each problem will be growth and learning through repentance and forgiveness. Any problems encountered will be handled within the group and by the adult leaders to the extent that this is possible. However, should a situation persist or become uncontrollable, the parent/guardian will be contacted and informed of the problem. Should the situation be urgent, the parent/guardian will be contacted immediately and will be responsible for picking up the youth from the event or providing for his/her transportation home.

Participant and Parent/Guardian Signature:

In signing this covenant, I vow that I have read and understand these guidelines. I recognize that a covenant is a binding promise, and my signature is testimony that I agree to adhere to the provisions of this covenant.

Signature of Participant (Youth or Adult) _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

if participant is under 18, parent/guardian must sign

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What Should I Bring to Camp?

Sleeping bag or sheets and a blanket

Air Mattress

Pillow

Medications

Towels and washcloth

Flip flops for showering

Toiletries

Sunscreen

Insect repellent

Shorts- not too short and one pair of pants.

Work clothes for five days

T-shirts (no offensive logos) or shirts

Sturdy shoes or boots (no open-toed on job sites)

Work gloves

Cap or hat

No spaghetti straps+will be allowed. Tank tops may not be allowed if the staff deems them inappropriate.

Jacket or sweatshirt

Appropriate swimwear/swimsuit

Water bottle

Flashlight

Bible, notebook, and pen

Camera and film

Spending money

Snack food or drinks

What Stuff Should I Leave at Home?

Electronic games

Negative or bad attitudes

Nehemiah Project FAQ's

Q: What is the Nehemiah Projects mission statement?

A: Glad you asked! The Nehemiah Project is called to SERVE God's people, to EMPOWER middle and high school students to be servant leaders, to AFFIRM them as children of God, to ENCOURAGE them to embrace a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, and to SUPPORT them in their desire to become Christian disciples.

Q: Will all the youth from our church be together on the same work team?

A: No. A typical work team is made up of students and adults from different churches. There will, however, most likely be youth from the same church on a few of the work teams. There will be Junior High teams and High School teams.

Q: Can I have my cell phone with me at all times?

A: You can have your phone at camp with you but we ask that you use it sparingly. Phones are to be left at the school when serving at work sites. There's a phone at the camp and the adult leaders and site coordinators will also have phones. In the case of an emergency, your parents will be able to get in touch with you via our camp number.

Q: What type of work will we be doing?

A: You'll be working in crews of 10-15 people doing everything from painting to digging post holes to yard work to putting on a new roof or building a wheelchair ramp.

Q: Can students arrive later in the week or leave early?

A: No. NPP's policy requires that all participants arrive on Sunday with their youth groups and depart Friday evening at the final program. We ask that all participants arrive and depart with their church mission team. The only exceptions to this policy are family or personal emergencies or illness.