

# Summer 2019 Preview

*St. James's Episcopal Church Youth Ministry*

## Youth Mission Trips

**Middle School Mini-Mission (for current 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders)**  
July 12 – 14, 2019 (Friday lunchtime – Sunday dinnertime)

**Appalachia Youth Mission (for current 9<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> & HS graduates not yet 21)**  
July 14 – 21, 2019 (Sunday AM- Sunday PM)

## Summer 2020

**\*NEW\* Cuba Youth Mission**  
July 2020

## St. James's Mission Trips

**Honduras "Our Little Roses" Mission (for youth with a parent)**  
July 22 - 29, 2019

**Richmond Mission (for youth with a parent)**  
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## Diocese of Virginia

**Shrine Mont Camps**  
(dates vary)

## Volunteer Opportunities at St. James's

**Vacation Bible School Youth Counselors**  
June 17 - 21, 2019

**Children's Center Counselors**  
June 17 – August 16, 2019

**Raffle Drawing** - Winner gets \$100 certificate toward the cost of a 2019 Youth Ministry Mission Trip!

*"Be ye doers of the word."*

Put your **FAITH** into **ACTION** this summer!

For more information, visit [www.doers.org](http://www.doers.org) or contact Mary Beth Abplanalp, Director of Youth Ministry, at [mbabplanalp@doers.org](mailto:mbabplanalp@doers.org) or (804)355-1779.

# Youth Ministry Mission Trips 2019

St. James's Episcopal Church

## Middle School Mini-Mission

**July 12 - 14, 2019** (Fri.-Sun.)

What: Harvest of Hope ([www.endhunger.org](http://www.endhunger.org))

Where: Exmore, VA

Who: For current 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders

Cost: \$175

Leader: Kent Duffey ([kentduffy@gmail.com](mailto:kentduffy@gmail.com))

Description: We will again partner with the organization Harvest of Hope to learn about the issue of hunger and how we are called to assist our neighbors in need. This time we're going to Exmore, VA on the Eastern Shore. We will work in the fields together to harvest seasonal vegetables to donate to local food banks. What we harvest will likely be on the dinner table within 24 hours. We will work hard and play hard...before we head home we will enjoy some recreation time together at the beach!



## High School Youth Mission (For current 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> graders)

**July 14 - 21, 2019** (Sun.-Sun.)

What: Hurley Community Development Center, Hurley, VA  
([www.hurleycommunitydevelopment.org](http://www.hurleycommunitydevelopment.org))

Who: For current 9<sup>th</sup> graders - High School grads

Cost: \$585

Trip Organizer: Mary Beth Abplanalp ([mbabplanalp@doers.org](mailto:mbabplanalp@doers.org))



Description: We're heading back to Hurley Community Development Center to help local residents with home repairs, cleaning projects, painting, yard work, farming, etc. Our days will be full of projects and time interacting with local residents, and during the evenings we'll enjoy free time to relax, hang out, worship, and explore the local area. We'll stay in bunkhouses at the center and eat in their dining hall. At the end of the week we'll spend two days enjoying fun recreation in the Shenandoah Valley and at Claytor Lake State Park.



**To Apply:** Complete the **Summer 2019 Youth Mission Trip Application** and enclose a \$50 deposit check payable to St. James's Episcopal Church with the memo "Youth Mission." Registration is First come, first served. Scholarships are available by contacting Mary Beth. Space is limited and will be granted in the order applications are received. *Don't forget that many of you have a \$200 confirmation voucher from the Bishop to go toward the cost of participation in a mission trip before your 19<sup>th</sup> birthday.*

Hand-deliver or mail registration material to Mary Beth Abplanalp at St. James's Episcopal Church, 1205 W. Franklin Street, Richmond, VA 23220. **Questions?** Contact Mary Beth Abplanalp, Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministry, at [mbabplanalp@doers.org](mailto:mbabplanalp@doers.org) or 804-355-1779 ext. 334.

# Youth Mission Trip Application 2019

## St. James's Youth Ministry



Any youth interested in participating in a mission trip needs to complete this application. A \$50 deposit payable to St. James's Episcopal Church is required with the application.

SELECT ONE:

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>MS Mini-Mission</b> Exmore, VA Current 5 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> graders July 12-14, 2019	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>HS Youth Mission</b> Hurley, VA Current 9 <sup>th</sup> grade – HS Grad July 14-21, 2019
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YOUTH INFORMATION (please print clearly):

Full Name:		
Circle Grade (2018-2019 school year) : 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 HS Grad		T-Shirt Size:
Date of Birth:	Male / Female	Nickname:
Student's Email:		
Best Phone:		Youth's Cell Phone:
Have you been on a Mission Trip before? No/Yes - Which one?		
<b>Short Answer Question: Explain why you want to go on this Mission Trip.</b> <i>Required response to be written by youth, not parents. Handwrite answer, 3-8 sentences, on back of this page, or type and attach.</i>		

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION (please print clearly):

Name(s):	
Email #1:	Type: <i>(i.e. Mom's personal)</i>
Email #2:	Type:
Phone Number #1:	Type:
Phone Number #2:	Type:

Space is limited on both trips, so your participation is not guaranteed until after your application with \$50 deposit is received and you are contacted by Mary Beth to confirm your space on the trip. We will keep a waitlist if necessary. Youth who participate must be available for the entire duration of the trip. Prior to the trip, youth (and sometimes parents) will be expected to attend mission team meetings and a mission team commissioning during worship. Additional paperwork and permission forms will also be required and forthcoming. **Don't delay- it's first come, first served!**

Please return completed application and deposit check to Mary Beth Abplanalp by mail (1205 W. Franklin St., Richmond, VA 23220), email ([mbabplanalp@doers.org](mailto:mbabplanalp@doers.org)), or by hand to the church office.



Culture



Scuba Diving



Episcopal Service



# Cuba 2020

## Youth Mission & Pilgrimage

This NEW international youth mission and pilgrimage is for youth who will complete 9<sup>th</sup> grade by June 2020 and are not yet 21 years old. Four-five adult leaders from St. James's, including our rector John McCard, will travel with 10-12 youth for a 10-day service, cultural exchange, and coral reef conservation expedition to Havana, Cuba. Youth and adult team members will train to become open water scuba dive certified during summer and fall 2019 through the Richmond Dive Shop. We'll also work as a team to fundraise money so the trip is affordable for all. The trip itself will be sometime in July 2020. Participation preference is given to students who have previously served on a St. James's youth mission team.

**Interested? Attend the Youth & Parent Information Session on Wednesday, February 13 from 6-8:00 p.m.**

### Mission

A mission experience has exactly that...a mission. You go with the purpose of building something, making repairs, planting a garden, or forming relationships. We will spend part of our time in community with the people of Havana and serving with the Episcopal Diocese of Cuba to support their ministries.

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### Pilgrimage

A pilgrimage has an *internal* focus and is meant to facilitate personal reflection and growth on a deliberate journey to encounter God. Through worship, group study, cultural immersion, and scuba diving in the pristine reefs of Cuban waters, youth will have ample opportunity to experience and encounter God in new and unexpected ways.

**Questions?** Contact Mary Beth Abplanalp, Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministry, at [mbabplanalp@doers.org](mailto:mbabplanalp@doers.org) or 804-355-1779 ext. 334.



## Summer 2019 Mission Trip: Honduras

*Mission is at the heart of who we are as Christians. It is through mission that we understand the way in which God calls each one of us individually and communally to live and act in this world. We invite youth to prayerfully consider participating in this or any of the mission opportunities offered for 2019!*

**WHEN:** Mon. July 22 to Mon. July 29, 2019

**WHERE:** San Pedro Sula, Honduras

**WHAT:** An intergenerational trip to **Our Little Roses Home for Girls**, a refuge for girls aged 9 months to 20, whose families cannot care for them. We plan and lead a “summer camp” for the girls, which can include games, sports, arts and crafts, bible school, cooking, science experiments, field trips to pools, the beach, the movies, etc. We learn about Honduran culture. We develop relationships with the girls at Our Little Roses. We worship with them. We learn about ourselves. Most importantly, we provide lots of needed LOVE, LOVE, LOVE, which touches the lives of these girls as well as ours!

**WHO:** Adults of all ages or Youth (current 8<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> graders) who are accompanied by a parent or responsible adult. This is a great opportunity for a parent/teen experience and is not limited to females. We have many fathers and sons who participate and love it!

**COST:** \$1,200 to \$1,500. Exact amounts driven by airfare and activities. Deadline for sign up and deposit is March 15<sup>th</sup>.



### **Questions:**

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# RVA Mission Week

**Richmond Mission (for youth with a parent)**

June 17 – 21, 2019

A popular local choice for summer mission, the Richmond Mission returns June 17-21, 2019. If you enjoy helping others, growing in fellowship with church friends, and having fun, this week is for you!

Our city has many needs, and this mission trip allows participants to spend a week making a difference right here in our own community. In recent years, we have partnered with project:HOMES, Inc. an excellent nonprofit enabling low-income neighbors in Richmond to stay in their homes. Work will likely include home repair projects and yard work.



If you're interested in giving a week to work with a St. James team in helping a person in need, please contact Andy Smith ([smitha@stcva.org](mailto:smitha@stcva.org)).

# SHRINE MONT CAMPS 2019

[www.shrinemontcamps.net](http://www.shrinemontcamps.net)

*REGISTRATION OPENED TUESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2019*

**The Diocese of Virginia's summer camp program at Shrine Mont promotes the emotional and spiritual development of children, youth, and young adults through the fostering of a safe and positive environment for all. It is the goal of this program to encourage the growth of relationships with self, others, and God.**

## **ART CAMP**

Express yourself! At Art Camp we work on projects in a variety of media, allowing campers to express their individuality and creativity. We explore how this creativity can bring us closer to God while also enjoying all the usual camp activities - camp fires, swimming, games, singing, worship, and more. You don't need to be a master artist, just be interested in creating, having fun and making new friends.

Art Camp allows children of all ages to attend at the same time- ages 8 to 15. If you've been looking for a camp that your children can go to together, or the youth from your church can all go as a group, this is your chance. Campers will be placed in cabins by ages. For some activities the camp will be split into two groups, 8-12 year olds and 13-15 year olds; for other activities we will have the entire camp together.

## **MUSIC AND DRAMA CAMP**

Let your voice be heard! Music and Drama (MAD) is a high-energy camp focused on the preparation of a biblically based musical that features the unique talents of each performer. Campers make the musical their own by learning songs and movements and creating sets and costumes. In addition, we swim, hike, play games, worship and make life-long friends. The oldest session of high schoolers takes their show "on the road". Campers tour around the Shenandoah Valley performing their show, meeting enthusiastic audiences, and seeing a professional musical. Be a star! Join us at MAD Camp!

## **SENIOR HIGH YOUTH CONFERENCE (SHYC)**

SHYC is a camp for high school aged youth focused on giving back to the community. The theme is "be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only" (James 1:22). Expect to challenge and stretch yourself physically and spiritually while having a ton of fun and hanging out with awesome people! This a great camp for those wishing to grow as leaders. Bible study, helping others, dance parties and much more will happen during your week at SHYC!

## **ST. GEORGE'S CAMP**

St. George's Camp is a classic large summer camp featuring hiking, swimming, sports, music, crafts, canoeing, and overnight camp-outs all flavored with dearly-held traditions of zaniness! The heart of St. George's Camp is its focus on the unique and infinite value of every member of the camp community. With I Corinthians 12-27 (we are all essential members of the one Body) as a point of reference we encourage both faith and questions as we strive to celebrate the unique gifts of every camper, regardless of his or her faith background or commitment.

## **ST. ANDREW'S CAMP**

Avoid the crowds at St. Andrew's Camp. This is an intimate, "family-style," camp setting offered for children who thrive in an environment with high levels of structure and personal attention. This is an excellent camp for children with specific social, environmental or behavioral needs; past campers have been on the autism spectrum or had severe ADHD. The small number of campers allows kids to be introduced to a camp program that is less

overwhelming in size, but still offers camping, art, swimming, singing, sports, and worship together. The camper/staff ratio is 2:1 and maximum number of campers is 10.

## ST. ELIZABETH'S CAMP

St. Elizabeth's Camp provides individuals with mild to moderate disabilities the opportunity to participate in traditional camp activities in a supportive environment. Our campers have their own volunteer counselor buddy who will be a constant friend and assist in daily activities. Together they will stay in cabins and share many exciting activities including swimming, canoeing, worship, art, and games. A typical St. Elizabeth's camper is between 14-25 years old, attends to personal needs independently, and effectively communicates with others.

*The staff of St. Elizabeth's is composed mainly of high school aged youth who volunteer their time to be counselor buddies.* To learn more about becoming a buddy visit our website to download an application.

## EXPLORERS CAMP

Enjoy the outdoors! Take time to explore the world around you; play in the dirt, go hiking, camping, swimming, and canoeing! At Explorers Camp, you'll learn how to take care of God's creation at camp and at home. We take time to look at everything a little closer, to see God in all we do. Campers learn camping and outdoor skills – and have fun doing it all! Spend time outside and discover the world around you and the spirit within you!

## EXPLORERS THE GREAT

This one-session event is for the camper that wants to wander through the wilderness, forage the forest, and breathe in the back country. We will take our camp and ourselves on extended trips into the wild to truly dwell in God's magnificent creation. This camp spends most of its time exploring the natural playground around us while on several multi-night camping trips. So sign up, pack up, and head out with Explorers' the Great!

## FAMILY CAMP: SUMMER CAMP FOR EVERYONE

The Family Camp exists to "knit families together in constant affection" (BCP pg 828) through age appropriate programs and inter-generational activities, opportunities for rest and renewal, and the nurturing of deep and enduring relationships in an environment that is safe for all. It includes a mix each day of program opportunities (separated by age) and free time for hiking, swimming, resting, or hanging out with your new friends. Each day will conclude with an inter-generational program that will be fun for all.

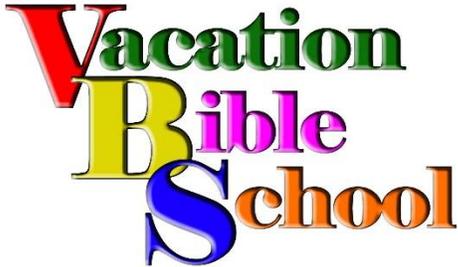
## ST. SEBASTIAN'S SPORTS CAMP

St. Sebastian's Sports Camp is a great place for campers to play all of their favorite games while learning the values of teamwork, sportsmanship, and the importance of staying fit. During the day, campers build fundamental skills and scrimmage in a wide variety of sports, including old favorite standbys like soccer and basketball as well as newer sports like ultimate frisbee and King Ball. Evenings are filled to the brim with activities like camp fires, games, hikes, worship, swimming, songs and everything else that makes a week at camp great. Come to St. Sebastian's to make life-long friends while enjoying your favorite sports!

# Youth Volunteer Opportunity

@ Vacation Bible School June 17 - 21, 2019

EARN UP TO 20 HOURS OF COMMUNITY SERVICE!



St. James's is looking for youth to volunteer at Vacation Bible School 2019. Youth can serve as shepherds for a small group or help with various activities like Games, Crafts, Story, Music, and Drama. The little kids love having "big kids" with them during VBS so we'd love to have youth participate in these roles.

Here's more information about this opportunity:

- 1) **VBS is June 17 - 21, 2019** at St. James's (1133 West Franklin Street). Youth volunteers must be present from approximately 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. daily.
- 2) **You need to attend one of the Volunteer Training Sessions.**
  - Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup> 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (Michaux House basement)
  - Wednesday, June 12<sup>th</sup> 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. (Michaux House basement)

E-mail Becky Page ([bpage@doers.org](mailto:bpage@doers.org)) to discuss other arrangements if you are unable to attend the training sessions.

### 3) **Job Descriptions:**

Shepherd: You will work with a group of 6 to 8 mixed-age students (either elementary or preschool). You'll meet them when they first arrive in the morning and will be responsible for staying with them and looking after them until dismissal. You will lead them to different activity stations each day.

Activity Leader- Music, Crafts, Games, Story, or Drama: You will work with a small group of children to lead the activity which will change each day with the VBS program.

Interested in volunteering? Contact Becky Page at [bpage@doers.org](mailto:bpage@doers.org)

# Summer 2019 Volunteer Opportunity for Youth

**June 17 – August 16, 2019**

(Students can volunteer for 1-2 weeks at a time.

Full summer commitment not necessary.)



The Children's Center needs high school and college volunteers to work with our students, age two to five, during our Summer of Wonder Program. The program runs from Mid-June through Mid-August. Volunteers will accompany children in their classrooms and on field trips to local parks, museums and cultural attractions. It's a great way to spend a wonderful summer AND earn community service hours! Volunteers can sign up for specific days rather than the whole week.

**LOVE KIDS?  
THEN WE NEED YOU!**

The mission of the St. James's Children's Center is to:

Prepare Young Hearts and Minds for Life.  
We love. We teach. We nourish. We explore.

For more information, contact **Winnie Canup** at the Children's Center  
804-358-9788 or [wpcanup@doers.org](mailto:wpcanup@doers.org)