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## The Heights ENGAGE Trip Application

Trip Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Trip Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: (circle one)    M    F

Home address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (home) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (cell) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to room with \_\_\_\_\_  
(for double occupancy)

Do you have any medical or physical restrictions? (circle one)    NO    YES

If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Please explain how God is leading you, and why you feel this trip location is where you should serve: (use the backside if necessary)

I would like to speak with someone about financial assistance for this ENGAGE Trip.

I understand and agree to all the requirements set forth for this trip.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please return application with a deposit check made out to THBC in the amount of \$100.00. You may return your application and deposit to the church office or directly to your specific Engage Trip point person.*

*The Heights staff and Engage Mission Team leadership reserve the right to interview all people interested in going on any Engage Trip.*

*For all the updated information on your specific Engage Trip, go to [www.theheights.org/engage](http://www.theheights.org/engage)*

# ENGAGE TRIPS for 2009

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All dates, information, and costs are based upon our best projections at the time of printing. Please see [www.theheights.org/engage](http://www.theheights.org/engage) for updated information or contact the listed trip coordinator below for more details. All who want to be considered for the limited spaces on the various ENGAGE Trips need to fill out and submit the trip application form located on the ENGAGE website listed above or the ENGAGE center.

## KAZANLAK, BULGARIA (18 years and older)

Dates: April 24-May 3, 2009 (\*NEW DATES) Cost: \$2200 Trip capacity: 12

Trip Coordinator: Cookie Slate [cookie.s@verizon.net](mailto:cookie.s@verizon.net)

Description: This trip will serve the Bulgarian people of Kazanlak with our friend and pastor of Kazanlak Baptist Church, George Gardev. Medical Clinics staffed by Richardson Regional Medical Center will be a component to this trip. Those with nursing or medical/education skills will certainly be put to use during this portion of the trip. There will also be work to be done repairing playground equipment and serving the children within the local orphanages. Additionally, venues for adult and student Bible Studies as well as other educational opportunities will be part of this trip.

Note: This is a physically and emotionally demanding trip.

## HOUSTON, TEXAS (18 years\* and older)

Dates: April 24-26, 2009 Cost: \$200 Trip capacity: open

Trip Coordinator: Trent Blackley [tblackley@theheights.org](mailto:tblackley@theheights.org)

Description: This team will be working with others in rebuilding the city of Houston after Hurricanes Gustav and Ike by gutting houses and neighborhood clean up leading to new building projects. Other opportunities such as serving the poor and homeless as well as aspects of ministry through music are also possibilities. Our friends from Ecclesia Church in Houston led by Pastor Chris Seay are helping us to know how best to serve the city of Houston on all of our ENGAGE Trips to this area.

*\*minors may attend with parental supervision.*

## HOUSTON, TEXAS (High School Seniors)

Dates: March 16-20, 2009 Cost: \$350 Trip capacity: open

Trip Coordinator: Josh Jones [jjones@theheights.org](mailto:jjones@theheights.org)

Description: Our students will be working with others in rebuilding the city of Houston after Hurricanes Gustav and Ike by gutting and building houses during the day and learning from chosen mentors each night. Topics will include serving the underserved, compassion, social justice, loneliness, multi-ethnicity, creation care, culture, consumerism and community. We will be partnering with the Ecclesia Church of Houston to do a small part in bringing restoration to the 4 million people influenced across Houston and Galveston. For more information, please go to [www.originalcity.org](http://www.originalcity.org).

### **CORNERSTONE (7-12<sup>th</sup> Grade)**

Dates: **March 20-21, 2009**

Cost: Free

Trip capacity: open

Trip Coordinator: Steve Aylor [saylor@theheights.org](mailto:saylor@theheights.org)

Description: Our students will partner with Cornerstone Baptist Church located in the inner-city community of South Dallas. For over 45 years, the church has been committed to touching the lives of residents in their neighborhood by meeting "felt" needs and sharing with them their "real need" -- a relationship with Jesus Christ. We are excited to serve with Cornerstone Baptist Church and help show their community the practical love of Jesus.

### **HOUSTON, TEXAS (College and Young Singles)**

Dates: **May 28-June 1, 2009**

Cost: \$350

Trip capacity: open

Trip Coordinator: Dan Burke [dburke@theheights.org](mailto:dburke@theheights.org)

Description: This trip will be filled with opportunities to get your hands dirty and labor shoulder to shoulder with other young singles and college aged students. Helping to rebuild the city of Houston and the surrounding area will take a long time with a lot of sweat and elbow grease. Plan on a week of gutting houses and buildings and restoring areas in need of a fresh start as we partner with our friends from Ecclesia Church in Houston led by Pastor Chris Seay.

### **LAS VEGAS, NEVADA (18 years\* and older)**

Dates: **May 6-10, 2009 (\*NEW DATES)**

Cost: \$500

Trip capacity: open

Trip Coordinator: John Wills [jwills@theheights.org](mailto:jwills@theheights.org)

Description: Serve some of the **adults with cognitive and developmental disabilities** in the Las Vegas area by giving them the night of their life at the JOY PROM. Under the supervision and leadership of Lifesong Church, our team will help pull off the greatest party the city has ever seen while blessing some special individuals in the area who will experience life and the love of Jesus like never before. This trip will also include prayer walking and neighborhood distribution of information about Lifesong Church as this new church plant gains traction in "sin city." What happens in Vegas can't stay in Vegas any longer!

*\*minors may attend with parental supervision.*

### **AUSTIN, TEXAS (7-12<sup>th</sup> Grade)**

Dates: **July 8-10, 2009**

Cost: \$110

Trip capacity: open

Trip Coordinator: Steve Aylor [saylor@theheights.org](mailto:saylor@theheights.org)

Description: Our students will be serving with Mosaic Church led by our friend and pastor Don Vanderslice in the St. John's area. The team will also serve with other area ministries and organizations in Austin through events such as Backyard Bible Clubs, feeding the homeless, neighborhood cleanup, and other service projects throughout our state capital's communities.

### **LIGHTHOUSE VBS (7-12<sup>th</sup> Grade)**

Dates: **July 13-15, 2009**

Cost: Free

Trip capacity: open

Trip Coordinator: Steve Aylor [saylor@theheights.org](mailto:saylor@theheights.org)

Description: This is a great opportunity for students to serve! Lighthouse is a church that meets at The Heights on Sunday afternoon and ministers to the Hispanic community. The Lighthouse ministry began out of a desire to reach the Hispanic community in Richardson and the surrounding areas. It has been a joy for us, as a Student Ministry, to serve and lead a VBS for the children connected to Lighthouse.

### **LAS VEGAS, NEVADA (9-12<sup>th</sup> Grade)**

July 28-August 2, 2009

Cost: \$500

Trip capacity: open

Trip Coordinator: Steve Aylor [saylor@theheights.org](mailto:saylor@theheights.org)

Description: It is our desire to partner with Lifesong Church in Las Vegas to ENGAGE, minister, and reach out to the community. With Lifesong Church being a new church it is important to help get the word out to the community about what God is doing. Along with distribution of materials such as flyers to help continue to increase awareness of the church, we will also be ministering to families through simple acts of kindness such as minor home repairs and being involved in a Back-to-School Bash for the community.

### **KYALULANGIRA, UGANDA (18 years\* and older)**

Dates: August 4-12, 2009

Cost: \$3000

Trip capacity: 12

Trip Coordinator: Bill Ferrell [bferrell@theheights.org](mailto:bferrell@theheights.org)

Description: Travel to the bush country and banana fields of Southern Uganda and meet your World Vision sponsored child face to face. Seeing and experiencing how your sponsored child lives on the other side of the world will stretch you, move you, and change your understanding of what it means to serve people at their point of need. It will also redefine what it means for you to be one of the richest people on the planet. Understanding the desperate need for clean water, adequate medical facilities to combat HIV/AIDS and other diseases, as well as educational needs are but a few of the experiences that will take place on this trip. In the end, your heart will be captured by the beauty of the Ugandan people and the work God is doing in this nation.

*\*minors may attend with parental supervision. Safari options are available at additional costs and with an extended timeframe at the end of the trip returning August 16th.*

Note: This is a physically and emotionally demanding trip with much difficult travel in remote areas.

### **SOFIA, BULGARIA (18 Years and older)**

Dates: October 23 – November 1, 2009

Cost: \$2500

Trip capacity: 12

Trip Coordinator: Jim Abernathy [abernathy01@verizon.net](mailto:abernathy01@verizon.net)

Description: This trip to the orphanages of Bulgaria has become known as The Shoe Trip. This team will trek to various orphanages led by the direction of Bulgarian missionaries Paul and Judy Ridgway. Hundreds of pairs of shoes will be sized and put on the feet of Bulgarian children who have all but been forgotten by society at large. However, after meeting these whom Jesus loves deeply and serving them at their point of need, you will never be able to forget them or the hugs and smiles you bring to their faces. Note: This is a physically and emotionally demanding trip.