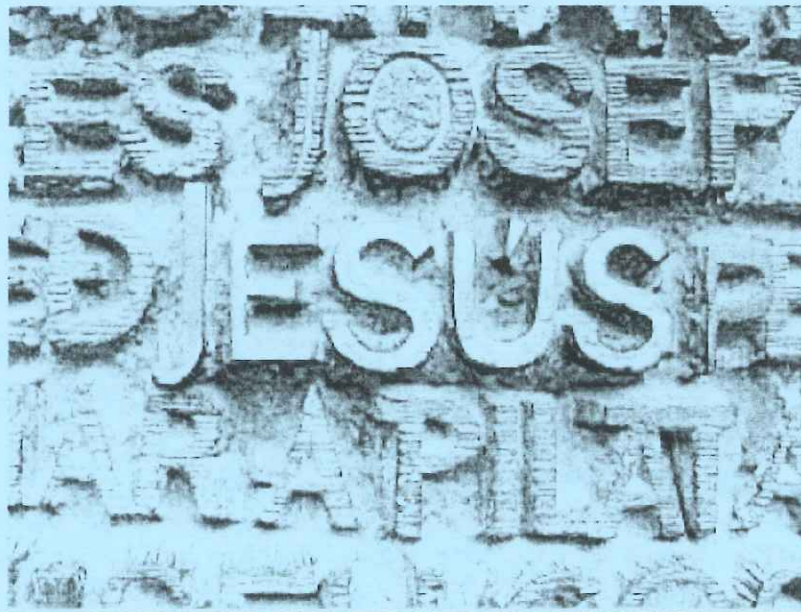


WORKCAMP

MEMPHIS, TN
JUNE 17TH-24TH

2012



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GROUP MEETINGS: *FOUR MEETINGS PRIOR TO CAMP STARTING IN MARCH, ONCE A MONTH*

ONE MEETING WILL BE A PIZZA GET TOGETHER AT SOLO. DATES WILL BE ANNOUNCED VIA LETTER AND EMAIL WHEN EVERYONE HAS REGISTERED.

GROUP MEETINGS HAVE A THREE-FOLD PURPOSE:

- 1) To **update** on important information;
- 2) To **form** ourselves spiritually and intellectually;
- 3) To get to **know** each other so that the experience in Tennessee can be more profound, more involved, and more selfless.

HOW DOES FUND-RAISING WORK?

It costs \$750 per teen (\$0 per adult) to complete the 8-day Workcamp. To cover those costs, we split Fundraising into **Individual Responsibility & Group Responsibility**.

Individual Responsibility: As an Individual, you are responsible for raising \$575 in the way that **you** see fit. You can take advantage of things like Sponsorship Letters or you can choose to raise your portion another way (babysitting, doing odd jobs or working for parents or family – it is up to **you and your teen to determine how you raise the money**).

Sponsorship Letters: Begin January 2012

These are letters you write to parents, family, or friends asking them to financially support your mission to attend Workcamp.

Group Responsibility: As a group, we must help each other raise the difference between the actual cost (\$750) and the individual responsibility (\$575) times each teen. Therefore, every teen must participate in every Group Fundraiser. These include the Spaghetti Dinner, supporting teens to speak at a designated mass in February for a second collection, and the Car Wash. If we make more on these three events than we need, then the excess goes toward your Individual Responsibility.

Spaghetti Dinner: February 25, 2012 4:30-7:00pm

Mission trippers organize, serve, and host the parish-wide Spaghetti Dinner. Set-up, serving, décor, meal preparation, & clean-up needed.

Workcamp Second Collection: Date TBD in February one weekend at all masses

Veteran Workcamp teens will speak at each mass at St. Monica's about their experiences. A second collection will be taken up by passing a hard hat throughout the pews. Teens needed to help organize and pass hats!

Car Wash: Weekend before Memorial Day

Help out at one Sunday Mass for donations!

HOW ARE PARENTS INVOLVED?

By registering your teen for Workcamp, parents agree to help out at ONE of the Group Fundraising Events (though you can come to all if you would like).

FUNDRAISERS: -Spaghetti Dinner
 -Second Collection Mass
 -Car Wash

CHAPERONES: We will need 3-4 additional chaperones to make this trip possible! (No cost for you!)

IMPORTANT ST. MONICA PAYMENT NOTIFICATIONS:

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING CAREFULLY.
THERE WILL BE **NO ALTERATIONS** TO THE BELOW STATEMENTS.

1. **ALL FUNDS RAISED VIA SPONSORSHIP LETTERS, CAR WASHES, MASS COLLECTIONS, ETC., ARE NON-REFUNDABLE** BECAUSE THESE FUNDS ARE **DONATED**. DONATED FUNDS ARE TAX-EXEMPT AND THEREFORE CANNOT BE RETURNED BY LAW.
2. **NO REFUNDS**. ALL FUNDS DIRECTED TOWARD THE TOTAL WORKCAMP FEES CANNOT BE REFUNDED IN THE EVENT OF A CANCELLATION (SEE #5 FOR EXCEPTIONS).
3. **ALL EXCESS FUNDS APPLY TO Workcamp DURING THE SUMMER OF 2012.**
 - a. No EXCESS FUNDS WILL TRANSFER TO ANY NON-WORKCAMP SERVICE.
 - b. No EXCESS FUNDS MAY TRANSFER TO WORKCAMPS OUTSIDE OF SUMMER 2012.
4. **ALL EXCESS FUNDS WILL BE APPLIED TO THE GENERAL WORKCAMP FUND.** TO AID OTHER CAMPERS IN NEED OR TO THE GENERAL WORKCAMP FUND TO LOWER OVERALL EXPENSES. IF YOU HAVE A **SIBLING ALSO** ATTENDING THE **ST. MONICA WORKCAMP**, YOU MAY TRANSFER ADDITIONAL FUNDS BETWEEN FAMILY MEMBERS.
5. **CANCELATIONS:**
 - a. IF YOU MUST CANCEL YOUR PARTICIPATION, YOUR SPOT WILL FIRST BE GIVEN TO AN INDIVIDUAL ON OUR **WAITING LIST**. YOU WILL NOT BE REFUNDED FOR THE MONEY YOU HAVE RAISED UP TO THAT POINT OR ANYTHING YOU HAVE PAID TO CONTRIBUTE.
 - b. IF THERE IS **NO ONE ON THE WAITING LIST**, AND YOU CAN PROVIDE A *REPLACEMENT*, YOU MAY COMPLETE THE FUNDS TRANSFER FORM. YOUR *REPLACEMENT* WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYING HIS/HER *OWN* DEPOSIT FEE (\$75). YOUR FUNDS-MINUS-YOUR-OWN-DEPOSIT WILL THEN BE TRANSFERRED TO YOUR REPLACEMENT. YOUR REPLACEMENT WILL THEN WRITE YOU A PERSONAL CHECK FOR THE PORTION TRANSFERRED. NOTE: DEPOSITS ARE NOT TRANSFERRED OR REFUNDED.

Workcamp Registration Form

Due: January 2, 2012 with a \$75 deposit

(Final payment of remaining \$500 due by April 15. This cost might be lessened by fund raising efforts!)

Name: _____ Age June 17, 2012 _____

Birthday: ____/____/____ School Year: ____ High School: _____

Mailing Address

Street: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

DEPOSIT: \$75.00 CHECK

Made out to: St. Monica Congregation

Please bring check and registration form to the Ministry Center Office

Memo: SHINE Workcamp

Office Use Only:

Check #: _____

Date Received: _____

Received by: _____

HERE IS A ROUGH SNAPSHOT OF THE WEEKLY SCHEDULE:
(ALL CAMPS BEGIN ON MONDAY AND END ON SATURDAY)

- SUNDAY:** Depart St. Monica's by charter bus after 8:00 mass
Stay the night in a Catholic church half way to Memphis (TBD)
- MONDAY:** Arrive in Memphis late morning
12-2pm: Registration
3pm: opening mass
4-9pm: camp activities/dinner
9-10pm: Free Time
11pm: Lights Out
- TUESDAY-THURSDAY:**
6:30-7:30am: Breakfast
8am: Mass
9-3pm: Work at sites
3-5pm: Free time
5-6pm: dinner
7-9pm: Evening Program
9-9:30: Youth Group Prayer
9:30-10pm: Chapel (optional)
9:30-10:30pm: Free Time
11pm: Lights Out
- FRIDAY:** 6:30-7:30am: Breakfast
8am: Closing Mass
9-3pm: Work at sites
4-5pm: Free time
5-6pm: dinner
7-7:30pm: Evening Program
7:30-9pm: Concert
9pm: Closing Video & Open Mic
11pm: Lights out
- SATURDAY:** 6:30-8:30am: Breakfast/Depart Workcamp
8:30am: Board bus for home and Water Activity (kayaking, canoeing or something fun in the Memphis area!) (TBD)
5pm: Dinner and a night in a Catholic Church (TBD) half way home
- SUNDAY:** 8am: Breakfast on the bus and HOME!
2-3pm: Arrive back in St. Monica School parking lot!



Shine Catholic Work Camp

FAQ

1. WHAT IS S.H.I.N.E. CATHOLIC WORK CAMP?

S.H.I.N.E. Catholic Work Camp is a Catholic-based Service Retreat based in Tomball TX. SHINE stands for "Servin' Him In the Needy and the Elderly." Started in the summer of 2000 now in it's 12th year, SHINE was started by Catholic Singer / Songwriter / Youth Minister Augie Leal and his wife Dawn. Augie, with his music, youth, & retreat experience and Dawn with her hospitality and youth ministry experience both decided back in 1999 that there should be a work camp that offered a deeper "retreat" experience. S.C.W.C. is designed to offer those teens who are ready to go on to the "next level" on their journey with Christ. Each work camp has a staff of 8 people who offer an enormous amount of youthful energy and love for the Lord. There are daily youth liturgies, powerful service opportunities, high energy worship and praise, a praise band, great team building activities, nightly skits, youth group prayer times, great guest speakers, Christian concerts, Adoration, and an optional day of fun.

2. WHAT DOES REGISTRATION COVER?

- Work camp selection, organization, and administration by our Professional staff.
- Co-ordination with the local social service agencies.
- All meals during the work camp week. (except free day)
- Lodging at a local high school or church.
- Inspirational, motivational and faith / relationship building programs.
- A top Contemporary Christian concert.

- General Liability insurance.
- Work Camp T-shirt.
- Development and organization of future work camps.

3. WHO CAN COME TO S.H.I.N.E. CATHOLIC WORK CAMP?

SHINE Work camps are designed for students ages (14-17 Sr. High) and young adults (18-20) as well as their adult chaperones. The youngest registrants must be at least 14 years old or entering the 9th grade in the fall of 2011. Adult chaperones must be age 21 or older. Any 18 to 20-year olds, while not fulfilling the needed requirements for adult chaperones, may attend as participants in the WORK CAMP. If you are bringing both males and females, you will need at least one adult per 5 youth for each gender. *Ex: 5 females & 9 males =1 female & 2 male adult sponsors*

4. HOW MANY PEOPLE CAN WE BRING?

S.C.W.C. welcomes groups of all sizes. Even if only a few people participate, From 5 to 100 it doesn't matter they are sure to have an awesome experience. Unfortunately, we cannot accommodate individual registrations. All participant must register with a church or school.

5. HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE AT CAMP?

Because we like to get to know as many participants as possible, and depending on the amount of sleeping space we have access to, we do not take any more than 250 participants per camp.

6. WHERE ARE THE VOLUNTEERS LODGED?

Area Catholic high schools or churches will be used for lodging, programming and meals. Showers are some times available at the host facility other times they are made available at nearby YMCA's, health clubs or area High School. Participants bring their own sleeping bags, air mattresses or other bedding (twin only) and sleep in classrooms. (Adult chaperones are assigned to their own youth groups according to Local Diocesan Policies) There are separate sleeping areas for males and females. Meals are prepared in the school kitchen by trained kitchen personnel. Participants eat meals in the host facility cafeteria. Balanced, nutritious, and plentiful meals are provided.

7. WHAT KIND OF WORK WILL WE BE DOING?

Each day will be spent either refurbishing homes by doing such things as painting, weatherizing, housecleaning, landscaping, yard work, basic construction, hanging doors or windows, etc.... Participants also may help with cleaning up vacant lots, helping at a day care center for low income families, or working at a shelter. The goal of the service projects is for the participants to build up hope in the community and to search for ways they can go back and serve in their own communities.

8. HOW ARE WORK SITES CHOSEN?

S.C.W.C. works in co-operation with various agencies such as Habitat For Humanity, Catholic Charities, UMCOR, United Way, and local churches in each city to choose the sites and write up work assignments. Residents who qualify for home repairs must be unable to do or afford repair work on their homes. Typically, residents are elderly, disabled, or unemployed. A S.C.W.C. representative will make every effort to inspect the work-sites before the camp, checking the safety and appropriateness of the project. S.C.W.C. reserves the right to reject any projects that do not meet the qualification guidelines.

9. WHAT IF A YOUNG PERSON HAS LITTLE OR NO HOME REPAIR EXPERIENCE?

As long as young people have the "Nerve to Serve", there is really no problem involving them in home repairs. There is plenty of work that needs to be done, such as painting, which takes little or no experience at all. Young people are not asked to participate in projects they are not equipped to handle but will be given opportunities to learn if they desire.

10. HOW WELL SUPERVISED AND SAFE IS THE WORK CAMP?

S.C.W.C. takes supervision and safety very seriously. Besides the work camp staff and associates,

Youth participants must be entering high school in the fall.

- Only adult chaperones listed by their churches as "designated drivers" are allowed to drive to work sites.

Adult chaperones provide supervision of their work group at their work sites and must supervise their own teens back at the school. - S.C.W.C. will not involve or put any young people in jeopardy by putting them in dangerous situations. -No one will be allowed to use any kind of power tools unless they are over the age of 18. -No participant is allowed to work on roofs. Safety goggles are made available for workers as needed, and are required when power saws or drills are used. -We try to match each participant to a project he / she can handle comfortably. - First Aid kits will be assigned to every work group. Each participant should drink adequate liquids, and participants are requested to bring protective clothing, shoes, hats, gloves, and sun screen. Close adult supervision is built into the work camp program, and youth leaders are requested to bring only responsible, service-oriented young people who will work carefully in the program.

11. WILL MY TEENS BE MIXED WITH OTHER TEENS AT THE WORK SITES?

YES!!! That's what's so cool about a SHINE WORK CAMP experience. New friendships and relationships are formed with other teens from all over the country. Each work group is divided into teams of 5 teens and 1 adult at each site. There is adequate free time each afternoon and evening for the teens to hang with their own youth groups.

12. WHAT'S A TYPICAL DAY AT SHINE CATHOLIC WORK CAMP?

One word "AWESOME!!!!!!". On the first day participants learn more about the work camp, get to know other youth participants, receive important work skills training, and celebrate the Eucharist with an awesome liturgy. Camp participants start every day with an early breakfast, and morning mass. During the day, work groups leave the school and remain at their work sites (lunches are taken with the work groups to work-sites). Participants return to the school and have free time for showering, (showers may be taken at other facilities depending if the school has showers or not) recreation, writing letters, and resting until dinner. After dinner every one will meet in the "program area" for evening program which consists ice breakers, skits & dramas with the "God Squad", jammin worship and praise with the "SHINE Praise Team", motivational speakers, praying, singin' dancin', and a cool concert by one of today's top Catholic artists, as well as fun and fellowship. After programming, work campers meet with their youth group for nightly prayer and then they have free time to socialize, pray in the chapel, or just hang out until "lights out". Saturday is an optional free day, you may choose to head home or leave from the free day.

13. WHO IS THE "GOD SQUAD"?

The "God Squad" is a group of teens who have some sort of drama or acting experience who aren't afraid to get up in front of people and present the dramas and skits for the week. If someone in your group, with some experience, would like to be a part of it, then have them sign up on their application form.

14. WHAT CAN WE DO ON FREE DAY?

Depending on which city you choose, each free day is sure to be an exciting one. Each group will receive the "Optional" free day information in their final packet. In each city, most groups all go to the same place. The cost of the free day is not included in the registration but will be offered at a discounted price. Each youth group is responsible for its own group and transportation needs.

15. WILL MY TEEN'S GROW IN THEIR CATHOLIC FAITH?

Most Definitely!! they will learn how to live out their baptismal call to serve. You and your teens will be spiritually renewed through songs of praise, through the celebration of the Eucharist, through inspirational witness talks, and through God's awesome love in the sacrament of reconciliation and Adoration.

16. HOW DO WE GET THERE?

Most groups travel in vans and small buses, depending on the number of people you bring. These same vehicles will also be used to transport teams to and from their work sites. (

State laws require that all vehicles must be equipped with enough seat belts for all riders. If you choose to fly to a work camp location, you must arrange to rent vehicles which can be picked up upon arrival at the airport. To keep the cost of registration low, all groups are responsible for all vehicle expenses.

17. WHERE DO MY ADULT CHAPERONES GO?

Each adult chaperone will be assigned to a work group. This adult will be a part of the work team just like the teens. We depend on adults to work side by side with the teens and not just stand around and supervise. Teens need encouragement and the adult leaders need to be willing to encourage their team. For the safety of the teens, each parish must have at least 2 adult sponsor with them in the sleeping quarters. We also depend on the adults to supervise their own parish teens while at the school during free time and programming.

18. WILL WE RECEIVE AN INFO PACKET BEFORE WE ARRIVE?

Yes, each participating youth group will receive a "final packet" that includes: School / Church info, a what-to-bring list for each participant, free day info (if applicable), and directions to the work camp.

19. WHAT ABOUT LIABILITY AND INSURANCE?

S.H.I.N.E. Catholic Work Camp does not and will not allow anyone to participate without personal health / medical insurance. In the unlikely case medical attention is needed, the participant's personal medical insurance is needed to cover any expenses that occur. Each adult participant will be required sign a notarized "youth protection policy".

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Quote of the Day
 For the happiest life, days should be rigorously planned, nights left open to chance.
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