

WHOLLY MOSES!!!

Spring 2018



Making OurSelves Equipped Servants endeavors to equip Christian young people and adults to share the love of God, the salvation of Jesus Christ, and the power of the Holy Spirit by its service of word and deed.

"But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us. We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed." II Corinthians 4:7-9

Spring Break Trips

BUSHNELL, FLORIDA

On Thursday, March 31, 16 teens and adults left for Bushnell Florida. As is often the case when we leave on spring break, we drove through a bit of rain, but overall, the trip was pretty uneventful. We arrived at the Bushnell First Church of God mid-day on Friday. There, we joined our friends Gary and Sue Antcliff, who spend several months in Florida, and Steve and Barb Roth, who had driven down ahead of us in their own vehicle.



During our week of service in the Bushnell area, we helped elderly folks with hurricane-related challenges and other needs. Our teams did some yard work, general cleaning, repaired two fences and painted one (300 feet long!), and did some tree work, cutting up some trees that had tipped over in the big storm. We also did lots of power washing of homes and storage buildings. We met some wonderful folks who could not have handled these tasks on their own.

Meanwhile, back at the church, some of our ladies taught sewing classes to some of the ladies from the church and community. We made fancy pillowcases, pillowcase dresses, shorts and tote bags, most of which were donated to missions in Third World countries. Several donated sewing machines were given to the ladies who attended so they can continue to sew for missions.



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HOUSTON 2018

This year was a little different for our Spring Break trips. One team of 15 went to the Houston, Texas area to help with disaster relief from last year's Hurricane Harvey. We partnered with World Renew Disaster Rebuilder and the Fuller Center, who have 18 homes they are restoring after completely gutting them. They are all in various stages and they have teams coming weekly to "tag team" the homes.



We worked on homes of people who had been evacuated during the hurricane and were still unable to return. Our work included plumbing, electrical, carpentry, installation of cabinets, painting, dry-walling and much more.

We had a total of 15 people, and it was a very cohesive group. Ages ranged from 14 to 75 and everything in between. Teams worked together very well and we had lots of fun in the down time. It is amazing

when you put together a group of strangers on Friday, and by eight days later, you are like family. If it weren't for MOSES Inc, we would never have met most of the people who were on the trip.



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MOSES Weekend Trips

MOSES offers a weekend experience for your church youth group. Most of these excursions go to Detroit or Chicago, staying in a church or ministry house. If your church is already some distance from Grand Rapids, we can offer a trip to the inner city of GR. Trips are cross-cultural, most to Hispanic or African American churches. MOSES provides everything! For \$50 per person, all leadership, round-trip transportation, meals on location, work projects on Saturday, devotions and worship services are included. Be prepared to rough it a bit. Sometimes we sleep on the floor and we don't always get showers, but that's what mission work is about. If you are interested in a trip for your church youth or ministry group (adult groups welcome, too), contact Judy VanderArk at mosesjudy@gmail.com or 616-949-0344.

MOSES On-Line Registration



You are now able to register for any trip, on line, and make total or installment payments by credit card, debit card or PayPal. Your profile will be securely saved, to make future registrations faster. For those who aren't computer savvy, you will still be able to print out and mail your registration and payment. Our thanks goes out to former MOSES leader, Trenton Broughton and to MOSES Board member and Treasurer, Becky Hammond for their expertise and MANY hours of donated labor to make this happen!

Let's go to MEXICO !!!

It's coming up fast! This is one of the best trips MOSES has to offer. It is cross-cultural in every way, from our stop-over in Zuni and Rehoboth New Mexico for a taste of two Native American cultures, to serving Mexican and Native Mexican groups in Ensenada Baja. Dates are July 10-22, 2018. Remember, it's nicer climate in Ensenada in July than in Michigan!



We are planning a two-van trip. We will do our usual routine of building one or two homes, assisting with VBS, and teaching sewing classes. Our Zuni stopover has been approved and once in Ensenada, we will again stay at the *Pequeños Hermanos Children's Home*.

Ministry opportunities will include construction, assisting with Vacation Bible School, and helping teach sewing classes.



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