

# Biltmore Church | Missions

## Mission City, Jacksonville

### Trip Information and Support Raising Milestones

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**Trip Dates:** June 25th - June 29th, 2026

**Type:** Short-term, National

**Cost:** 700

**Who can Go:** Rising 6th graders- Rising 8th graders

**Trip Spots:** 20

#### **Vision:**

Join us as we serve alongside Mission City Church in Jacksonville, Florida. During our trip, we will be partnering in the work that Mission City Church is doing in the community through kids ministry, evangelism and encouraging their long-term partners.

One of our desires as a church is to reach our local community, our nation, and the world with the hope of the Gospel. We believe God has called us to be faithful witnesses both near and far—to love our neighbors, serve our cities, and go to the nations. One way we live this out is by serving within our own country and partnering with churches in other states. As we serve in Jacksonville, Florida, we hope to come alongside Mission City Church—to lift their hands, encourage their ministry, and help them make a lasting impact in their community for the glory of God.

#### **What's Expected:**

As a team member joining this church plant in Jacksonville, you will be an extension of their presence in the community. You will be helping them establish relationships and have Gospel conversations with families and children of the surrounding communities. Other expectations include:

- **Honoring** - The way you interact with people that are not like you will directly impact their view of Jesus. You must be mindful of the things you say, the way you interact and the way you show honor, in order to not create any barriers of the Gospel being heard.

- **Maintain flexibility** - Scheduled activities are subject to change due to various factors so maintaining a spirit of flexibility allows you to be open to any changes God may have for your team.
- **Care** - Serving on a short-term mission trip is a great way to serve and care for our long-term missionaries. Offering to cook a meal, watching their children so they can go out, cleaning, game nights, etc., are all great ways to care for our missionaries on the field.
- **Show Up** - Be present for all pre-trip and post-trip meetings as well as all in-country activities. We want you to make the most of your time as you engage the nations with the hope of the gospel.

### **Team Meetings (Minimum of 3) and Dates:**

- Parent Meeting: February 1
- Training #1: March 29
- Training #2: April 19
- Training #3: May 17
- Celebration Dinner & Debrief: August 9

### **Requirements**

- **Prerequisites**
  - Rising 6th graders- Rising 8th graders
  - Attends connect group on a regular basis(50%)
  - Must complete kids ministry training if kids ministry is involved.
  - Must be able to articulate the Gospel
  - Interview with a student pastor
- **Preparation**
  - Abide by the Mission Trip Fundraising Guide
  - Attend 75% of the trainings
  - Follow along with the mission booklet

### **Steps to Apply:**

- You fill out the application at [Biltmorechurch.com/missions](http://Biltmorechurch.com/missions)
- Your student pastor will reach out to set up a time for an interview with them and your small group leader.
- After the interview, the student pastor will reach out to you to let you know if you have been approved.
- To solidify your spot, you will need to pay a nonrefundable deposit of \$150 for a national or \$300 for an international deposit on your Biltmore profile.

### **Support Raising Milestones:**

**Milestone 1:** 25% funded by February 1st

**Milestone 2:** 50% funded by March 29th

**Milestone 3:** 75% funded by April 19th

**Milestone 4:** 100% funded by May 17th

Below are two ways to make payments/donations toward your trip.

### **Donating Online:**

1. Go to [www.biltmorechurch.com](http://www.biltmorechurch.com)
2. Log into your profile by clicking the person icon on the far right.
3. Under your account, scroll down to **"My Mission Trips"** and select the **"Participant Page"** tab
4. Select **"Make Payment"**

**\*Note:** You can write a paragraph about your trip on this page and share your trip link with others. They will be able to donate directly to your trip this way.

### Write a Check:

Checks should be made payable to Biltmore Church and **NOT THE INDIVIDUAL**. When someone writes a check, make sure they put your name and trip name in the memo line of the check. Checks should be mailed to the following address:

**Biltmore Church**  
**35 Clayton Road**  
**Arden, NC 28704**

If you have any questions about these dates, milestones, or how to give, please reach out to your trip leader or the missions team at [missions@biltmorechurch.com](mailto:missions@biltmorechurch.com). Please know that you're being prayed for by your trip leader as well as the Biltmore Church Missions Team as you begin this journey!