

LCA 8th Grade Mission Trip

Atlanta, GA

- Who?** 8th grade students (*13 years of age by Dec. 1), faculty, and parents
There is a possibility this team may be capped at 25 people. If this is the case, spots will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis.
- *NOTE: Students must be 13 years of age prior to the trip, per Samaritan's Purse requirements!*
- What?** Partnering with Samaritan's Purse: Operation Christmas Child and 7 Bridges to Recovery: Homeless Rescue Mission
- When?** Thursday, December 1st – Saturday, December 3rd
(students will miss two days of school – Thurs. 12/1 and Fri. 12/3)
- Where?** Atlanta, GA
- Housing?** Embassy Suites (Alpharetta, GA)
- Cost?** Student cost \$350, Parent cost \$400
(covers bus rental, hotel stay, and all meals; parent cost reflects 2 adults per hotel room as opposed to 4 students per room)

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Each year LCA Jr. High students participate in Samaritan's Purse: Operation Christmas Child. Our students help provide supplies and gifts, pack, and pray for shoeboxes that will be sent all over the world to children in need. This year, our Atlanta team will have the opportunity to serve at the shoebox processing center. Students will see the magnitude of what they are a part of – something far greater than simple Christmas gifts, but how a small act of love can make a global impact for Christ.

Additionally, we will be serving Atlanta's homeless community, both at the 7 Bridges shelter and under the bridges of the city. The LCA Jr. High will be collecting hats and gloves to send with the team, which we will be able to hand out to the men and women who spend many nights outside each winter. We will have the opportunity to serve meals, pack lunches, organized a children's ministry, and act as Christ's hands and feet as we reach out to the homeless community in Atlanta.

Throughout our time in Atlanta, we will have daily devotions and times for reflection. What a great way to introduce students to the world of missions! We encourage you to pray with your students about this opportunity. Please contact Ms. Erena if you have any questions (lerena@lexca.org).



Atlanta Mission Trip Itinerary

**Itinerary subject to change*

Thursday, December 1st:

- Arrive at LCA (with suitcase and bus bag) by 6:10am!
- Load the bus
- On the road to Atlanta by 7:00am
- Lunch on the road
- Arrive at OCC Processing Center ~3:30pm
- Serve at “shoebox warehouse” 4-8pm
(Chick-fil-A dinner 😊)
- Return to hotel
- Evening meeting
- To bed!



Friday, December 2nd:

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Morning devotions
- Pack lunches at the Garden
- Ministry under the bridges (“snack lunch” on bus)
- Serve dinner at the Garden
- Clean up/Garden children’s ministry
- Late dinner at Steak n’ Shake
- Return to hotel
- Evening meeting
- To bed!

Saturday, December 3rd:

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Morning devotions
- Drive home to Lexington – ETA 6pm
(lunch & dinner on the road)

