



MISSION TRIP • LEADER'S OVERVIEW

OVERVIEW OF MISSION TRIP

The purpose of this mission trip is two-fold:

1. To interact with the mission field of the incarcerated and see what God is doing behind prison walls
2. To serve those who will be released from McPherson prison by “preparing a place for them”—Cornerstone Transition Home

Cornerstone Transition Home is located 5 minutes away from the McPherson Women's Correctional Facility. Along with work projects on the Cornerstone Transition Home, your team will have the opportunity to visit prison.

This will give your team a vision for the need of a Christ-centered home for women to transition to after their release. Your team will also meet women who will never be released from prison, but women who God is using inside prison walls as missionaries for Him.

After seeing God's heart for the women behind bars, your team will have the chance to help “prepare a place” for these women to come and live from 2-12 months. We have a variety of needs to prepare the home to be opened. Some of these things include:

- General cleaning
- Light construction
- Painting
- Wallpaper removal
- Landscaping
- Ground maintenance
- Gardening
- Evangelism in the women's prison

Our prayer is that this trip will give your team a vision for what God can do in one of the fastest growing populations—the incarcerated.

ORGANIZING YOUR TEAM

- A minimum of 10 or maximum of 15 team members can participate in this missions program. If your church is unable to find that many interested in attending, you could partner with another church to come during a specific week.
- Determine the length of trip you would like to take. There is a week-long option or a weekend option. (See schedule below.)
- All team members must fill out the application form and send a deposit **2 weeks prior** to your scheduled trip. **(This is critical because all individuals entering the prison must have a cleared background check in order to enter the prison.)**
- All team members must read the ***McPherson Visit Checklist*** before arriving.
- If individuals on your team have specific work skills, please notify us and we will plan work projects accordingly.
- Team leader's responsibility to give their members a copy of the schedule.
- Male or Females are eligible for these trips. Applicants must be 18 years old or older and able to pass a background check.

COST

Each applicant is required to send a deposit of \$50 with their application.

- **\$300 per person** is due on arrival at Cornerstone* (for week-long trip)
 - **\$200 per person** is due on arrival at Cornerstone* (for weekend trip)
- *Payment includes housing, meals and supplies for projects.

Please make check payable to:

Cornerstone Transition Home • P.O. Box 1090, Newport, AR 72112

DIRECTIONS

Off of AR Hwy 67, take exit 83. Turn on State Hwy 384 E. / Stegall Rd.
Drive .6 miles and turn left on Jackson 248.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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SCHEDULE (ONE WEEK FORMAT)

Saturday

Arrive at Cornerstone (after dinner)

Sunday

9:30am – Church @ Central Baptist, Diaz

12:00pm – Fellowship meal @ Central

3:00pm – Overview of work projects / Getting started

5:30pm – Light Dinner

7:30pm – Meet the Director & prayer

Monday

7:00am – Breakfast

7:45am – Leave for McPherson Prison

(Before leaving, verify that EVERYONE has driver's license & Bible, notebook, pen)

Visit McPherson (will eat lunch at the prison)

4:00pm – Return to Cornerstone

6:00pm – Dinner

7:30pm – Debrief /Rest

Tuesday

7:00am – Breakfast

8:00am – Work Projects

12:00pm – Lunch

Afternoon Work Projects

6:00pm – Dinner

7:30pm – Devotional/Debrief

Wednesday

7:00am – Breakfast

8:00am – Work Projects

12:00pm – Lunch

Afternoon Work Projects

6:00pm – Dinner

7:30pm – Devotional/Debrief

Thursday

7:00am – Breakfast

7:45am – Leave for McPherson Prison

(Before leaving, verify that EVERYONE has driver's license & Bible, notebook, pen)

Visit McPherson (will eat lunch at the prison)

4:00pm – Return to Cornerstone

6:00pm – Dinner

7:30pm – Debrief /Rest

Friday

Breakfast

AM Departure

SCHEDULE (WEEKEND FORMAT)

Thursday

6:00pm – Arrive at Cornerstone

7:00pm – Light snack, orientation, visit with Director

Friday

6:30am – Breakfast

7:45am – Depart for McPherson Prison

3:00pm – Leave McPherson Prison

(Before leaving, verify that EVERYONE has driver's license & Bible, notebook, pen)

3:00-5:00pm – Break

5:00-6:00pm – Dinner

6:30-8:00pm – Bethany and Jennifer share/answer questions

Saturday

7:00am – Breakfast

8:00am-4:30pm – **Cornerstone Work Projects**

4:30pm- 6:00 pm – Break

6:00-7:00pm – Dinner

7:30-8:00 – Devotional

Sunday

6:00am – Breakfast

6:45am – Leave for McPherson prison church

(Before leaving, verify that EVERYONE has driver's license & Bible, notebook, pen)

8:30am – Leave McPherson

9:30am – Church @ Central Baptist, Diaz (3701 N. Main, Diaz, AR)

Depart or church at 11:00 am then depart.