

# GOSPEL ROAD 2017

## GENERAL EVENT INFORMATION

### What is Gospel Road?

Gospel Road is a five day mission focused work camp for youth in grades 9-12 from Catholic churches and schools throughout the Diocese of Columbus. High school graduates of the class of 2017 are also included as participants.

Gospel Road is a parish driven and Diocesan supported event. It is designed to allow teens the opportunity to live the Gospel message of love while helping them learn practical skills such as painting, building, landscaping, etc. Begun in 2005 as HIP Camp (Help in Portsmouth) this program has now transitioned so as to reflect the diversity of the Diocese and allow other areas to be served.

**Location:** St Peter & Paul Retreat Center  
2734 Seminary Rd SE  
Newark, OH

**Arrive:** Sunday July 9<sup>th</sup> between 2:30-4:00pm  
**Depart:** Thursday July 13<sup>th</sup> not later than 6:16pm

### **Accommodations:**

- St Peter & Paul Retreat Center Dormitories: both for sleeping and showering

### What is the cost to participate?

The fees for 2017 are \$150 per person, which includes: all meals and snacks beginning with dinner on Sunday July 9th through dinner on Thursday July 13th, accommodations and supplies for project sites.

### **Work Groups:**

- Work groups will be organized by grade levels and participants will be grouped with others from differing parishes to allow an appreciation of the greater Body of Christ.

### **What do we bring?**

#### **- Work clothes:**

t-shirts with sleeves (shirts without sleeves not permitted)  
sturdy shoes or work boots (no flip flops!)  
work gloves

shorts (no cutoffs or short shorts)

jeans or capris

socks

cap/hat

bring at least one pair of work jeans and a long sleeve shirt

#### **- Casual/comfortable clothes for evening:**

shirts (no tank tops)

jeans or capris

a light jacket or sweatshirt for evenings

shorts (no cut offs or short shorts)

flip flops/sandals are permitted for evenings

swim suit and towel for park night

#### **- Showering items:**

towel (bring a couple for the week)

A bag for dirty clothes!

soap/shampoo

toothpaste/toothbrush

- Camera (optional)

- Alarm clock (optional)

- A **personal size** fan

- a power strip for plugging in multiple items

- Insulated water jug or personal water bottle

- Sun screen

- Some spending money

**DO NOT BRING:** The retreat center does not allow outside bedding, pillows or stuffed animals. Also no food is allowed in the dormitories area – no candy, chips or other snacks are permitted.

**Discouraged from bringing:**

- Cell phones- Adults/Young Adults only should have them. It important that group leaders reinforce this with participating youth. This is about coming to serve – it is easier to do so if not distracted.
- Those choosing to bring electronics are responsible for them.

**Other important information:**

- **We are limited to 170 registrants total, adults and teens!! Registration is a first come first served basis. Once filled all names go on a waiting list. Group leaders are encouraged to register early!!**
- Parents are important to the group process, so we encourage parents who are able to attend as a chaperone for their parish group to contact their parish group leader. We need parents both as drivers and as group chaperones. Please consider being part of this amazing week.

**How do we register?**

Parish registration forms are due no later than May 15, 2017. Interested youth and adults should contact their parish group leader prior to the due date.

Final, completed registration forms for every participant (youth, adult), are due no later than June 19, 2017. There is no onsite registration for this event.

ALL registrations **must** be done using the Diocesan approved forms that have been assigned for Gospel Road. Forms arriving in any other format WILL BE returned.

**What if a participant cannot afford the cost?**

Partial scholarships will be made available. Contact your group leader for more information

**Will there be more information available for registered participants?**

After all groups have been registered each group leader will receive final information as to specific items participants should bring or not bring; what parish groups should bring; and any additional logistical information.