

First Church of Lombard, United Church of Christ



2012
Adult Mission Trip to
Appalachia

When: Sunday, July 29 – Saturday, August 4, 2012

Where: working with SWAP in Eolia, KY (<http://swap.mcc.org/>)

Cost: \$500 per person

**Turn Form and \$50 non-refundable deposit by February 5th to
Becky Kirsh or Debbie:**

First Church of Lombard
220 S. Main St, Lombard, IL 60148

Participant Name: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Deposit amount: _____

Questions?

Contact Becky Kirsh 630.629.2630 x15 or bkirsh@firstchurchoflombard.org

***Talk to Becky or Rob to discuss scholarship options.*

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Estimated itinerary and costs

Logistics:

Sunday, July 29

- Leave Lombard at 7 am and arrive at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park in Prestonburg, KY at about 5 pm ET - <http://parks.ky.gov/parks/resortparks/jenny-wiley/default.aspx>
- Enjoy 24 hours at the State Park (see attached sheet for things to do)

Monday, July 30

- Continue at the State Park (see attached sheet for things to do)
- Leave State Park about 3 pm and drive to Eolia stopping for dinner along the way to arrive in Eolia at 6:30
- 6:30 pm - Arrive at SWAP location, unpack having already eaten supper.
- 7:00 pm - Orientation session

Tuesday, July 31 – Friday, August 3

A Typical SWAP Schedule - <http://swap.mcc.org/swap/index.html>

- 6:30 am - Wake up, pack lunches
- 7:00 am - Breakfast and clean-up
- 7:45 am - Morning devotional
- 8:00 am - Head for work sites
- 4:00 pm - Leave work site, return to location, shower and clean-up
- 6:00 pm - Dinner
- 7:00 pm - Evening session (Mon., Tues. and Fri.)
- 8:30 pm - Free time

Saturday, August 4:

- depart for home - light breakfast served
- About a 9 ½ hour drive (gaining an hour)

Cost: \$500

(plus spending money for 8 meals on the road and miscellaneous)

When do I need to decide?: February 5th

We need a \$100 deposit of which \$50 is non-refundable

Minimum/Maximum number of people: 12/25

We need 12 people by February 5th or the trip will be cancelled

"How does God's love abide in anyone

who has the world's goods and yet refuses to help? Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action." -1 John 3:17-18



Sharing With Appalachian People (SWAP)

is a home repair ministry that serves low-income families in several counties of southeastern Kentucky and West Virginia. Typically, SWAP provides week-long service opportunities to school, college, youth and inter-generational church groups, ages 15 and up. Shorter and longer term experiences are available on request during "non-summer" months, and are great options for retirees.

Using the efforts of volunteers,

SWAP addresses sub-standard housing in eastern Kentucky and West Virginia. Participants will work with and for local homeowners "In the name of Christ", sharing the message of God's love and building relationships that serve to enrich all involved.

We understand service and missions

to be essential to authentic Christian faith but also recognize that we often don't know how to truly minister. Therefore we will endeavor to:

Challenge participants to view ministry as a lifestyle inseparable from their Christian faith and, therein, seek to establish and/or deepen their walk with God.

a) be genuinely and practically helpful to local people, and b) develop a deepened understanding of Christ, faith, service, and evangelism.

Help participants to process their experiences and become aware of issues of: mutuality, listening, importance of relationship, and causes of poverty as it relates to caring for and about God's people and creation.

Challenge participants to consider one week of ministry per year as insufficient, encouraging them to explore full-time missions/service as a natural outworking of their faith to be exercised both at home and away.

Prayerfully, 1 John 3:17,18 (see our home page) and these statements will guide all aspects of the SWAP program, from the choice of clients we serve, to the actual work at local sites, the recruitment and selection of staff and the content of our evening worship and teaching sessions.

Eolia, Kentucky

located in the beautiful Valley of the Winds. There is a sense of remoteness in Eolia, underlined by the presence of Pine Mountain to the north and the high hills of Virginia to the east. But there is also a "uniquely Appalachian" sense of community here, especially at the Eolia Christian Community Outreach Center, where SWAP volunteers are housed.