ALASKA further DETAILS

PUMC Senior High Youth Mission Trip 2019 June 8-15, 2019

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Our departure flight is Saturday June 8th at 7:00 AM on Delta Airlines. We are changing planes in Seattle and arriving in Anchorage at 12:26 PM.

We return starting on Friday, June 14th by leaving Anchorage at 9:49 PM. We will change planes in Minneapolis at 6 AM and arrive in Denver at 8:15 AM, Sat. June 15th.

I will be making the reservations and submitting names and birthdates to our travel assistant later in 2019.

TO REGISTER

- Please fill out the registration form (at the end of this information) and attach a non-refundable \$50 registration fee (made out to PUMC, please write Mission Trip Registration in the memo).
- Turn it in to April Kauffman *by September 16th.* (You MAY register after Sept. 16th IF there are still available spots through Thirst Missions.)
- You may bring it by the church office or mail it to: PUMC, 11805 S. Pine Drive, Parker, CO 80134.

COST \$1575 - PAYMENTS ARE REFUNDABLE UP UNTIL.....

Here is the information regarding payments and refundability. Payments may be made to PUMC by check or with a credit card through online giving by selecting the "Youth Mission Trip Registration" option from the drop down menu.

Deadlines	
Sept. 16th	\$50 registration fee
Nov. 15th	\$500 payment
Jan. 15th	\$500 payment
March 15th	\$525/or remainder

Not Refundable Refundable before March 15, 2019 Refundable before March 15, 2019 Not Refundable

TRAVEL INSURANCE

This option is offered for our airline services ONLY. Please email me if you would like information on the airline travel insurance. If you would need to cancel the trip, the \$900 registration with Thirst Mission is <u>not</u> refundable, although it <u>is transferable</u> to another Thirst Mission trip later or to another person's name.

FUNDRAISING/REGISTRATION ASSISTANCE

If you would like to receive assistance with registration/flight costs, you will be asked to participate in our fundraising efforts. Not only by attendance, but a silent auction basket will need to be donated towards the *Silent Auction that will be held on Friday, Feb. 8th.*

Please keep in mind that fundraising efforts also help curb the costs of chaperones, as they also give up a week of work to attend. This year chaperones will be paying a large portion of the trip themselves, but funds are still needed to help.

I am also attaching two documents: our non-profit 501c3 status number (businesses like to use this to write off the donation), and a sample letter you may copy and paste into an email to solicit donations. HONESTLY, last year I secured two hotels simply by sending emails to the managers, and then I called restaurants in the area around the hotels and most said, "Oh, yes, we do this all the time." Donations are not hard - especially when the cause is good. It just takes asking for a manager, using the right words first - and asking. Also consider asking businesses where you have a high status in a rewards program. You can see in my letter, I used that right off the bat, along with compliments to the hotel. Butter them up first!

Please try to avoid a "board game basket" or "movie basket" unless they also include good gift cards. Although these are easy to put together, they generally do not bring in very high bids. Also - try to secure *donations*. If you are spending YOUR money, it's almost silly because that money could be used toward trip payments.

On the next page is a sample of a letter to a Marriott. You may copy and paste this. I have bolded the parts where you will need to change the information or name of the business.

On the page after that is a copy of our 501c3 for you to print/copy to email or take in to businesses.

QUESTIONS?

Please feel free to email or give me a call: April Kauffman 720-383-1577 April@ParkerUMC.org

SAMPLE FUNDRAISING LETTER/EMAIL

Dear Mr. Maskovich,

My husband and I are regular Marriott customers and are also members of the Marriott Rewards program (#72******). We always appreciate the cleanliness, kindness and professionalism Marriott offers. I am currently the Director of Student Ministries at Parker United Methodist Church, and I was wondering if it was possible for your location to donate a night (or two) that we could use in a silent auction to help raise money to support our youth group on their mission trip this summer. I'd like to take a minute to explain a little further about what we are doing and how a donation from Marriott would help us tremendously.

This summer our youth group will be traveling to the Anchorage, Alaska area to help with many needs, both physical and spiritual. We will be helping the city battle poverty, alcoholism, drug abuse, and homelessness. We'll be immersing ourselves into the culture and community of Anchorage, building relationships and doing light construction throughout the community. Our youth will pay a hefty registration fee to attend the trip (which helps with construction materials, their food and lodging), but the youth are saddled with the cost of travel, chaperone costs and other various supplies we need.

On February 8th we will be hosting a free event for our church, that will include a silent auction opportunity to help us raise funds. It would raise the bidding significantly on our items if we were able to offer **a free night or two in a wonderful location like the Colorado Springs Marriott.** I would hope, and feel like your donation of **a room or two** could be tax deductible for **Marriott.**

I appreciate your consideration, and hopeful donation, more than you can imagine. Thank you for your time.

April & Keith Kauffman

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Parker United Methodist Youth Silent Auction date is February 8, 2019.

Alaska 2019 Mission Trip Registration

WHERE:	Anchorage, Alaska
WHEN:	June 8-15, 2019
COST:	\$1575 (A \$50 payment is due with this registration - leaving \$1525)
HOW:	We will fly through Seattle to Anchorage Alaska. Parents will bring and
	pick up from DIA.

To register and hold a spot on the trip, please fill out and turn in the following information along with a \$50 registration fee. You can turn it in to April Kauffman directly, the church office or mail it to the church (11805 S. Pine Dr., Parker 80134).

Name _____

Your Grade in Fall 2019 (if you will be a Sr. write 13) _____ Adult Shirt Size _____

Address

Parent/Guardian Name, Email & Phone

Parent/Guardian #2 Name, Email & Phone

I am over the age of 25 and would like to be a **chaperone**.

Name _____ Email _____

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Contact Phone _____

I have included my \$50 registration fee (\$50 for each student and chaperone).

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The following schedule must be followed, as I am responsible for paying Thirst Missions and the airline by certain dates as well.

Sept. 15 - \$50 Nov. 15 - \$500 January 15 - \$500 March 15 - \$525 or the remaining balance based on fundraising.