

2017 MISSION TRIP

Rosebud, Parmelee, SD

American Indian Reservation

July 9-14



We will drive over 500 miles (about 7.5 hours) to Parmelee, South Dakota to stay and serve in the Rosebud Reservation (home to the Sicangu Lakota Tetunwan Oyate band of Sioux). The reservation is made up of twenty communities. We will discover the rich culture and heritage of this tribe, but will also find residents who are in desperate situations due to unemployment (which can reach over 80%), poverty, and homelessness. Traditionally Lakota history was passed from generation to generation through the art of storytelling. Elders share stories with the youth as a way to preserve the culture and ensure the continuation of tradition.

Rosebud History: Under terms of the Ft. Laramie Treaty of 1868, the Lakota were placed on one large reservation that encompassed parts of North and South Dakota and four other states. After defeating the Indian tribes in the Plains Wars of the 1870's, the United States confiscated 7.7 million acres of the Sioux's sacred Black Hills and created several smaller reservations. The Sicangu Sioux, one of the seven tribes of the Lakota nation, were assigned to live on the Rosebud Reservation, which is roughly 923,000 acres and borders the Pine Ridge Reservation on the northwest corner and Nebraska to the south.

Who: All students currently in grades 8 through 12 *(No experience necessary!)*

Cost*: \$150 non-refundable deposit due at registration AND participation in fundraising.
You may split your deposit into 2 payments of \$75, the second deposit due Feb. 1.

***Note:** if cost is an issue for you/your family, PLEASE talk to Ashely or Pastor David, as we can work something out. Cost is never a reason to not participate!

All but 2 meals are included, so **you will need spending money for 2 lunches** on the road (1 on the way there, 1 on the way back). Additional spending money is optional.

To register: fill out the Lands mission trip registration form included (or can be found online or picked up in the office) and turn it in with non-refundable deposit.

Registration deadline: Wednesday, November 16*

(If you're unable to register by this date for some reason, but are still considering going, PLEASE let Ashley know! We need to put down non-refundable deposits by this date, and will drop any extra spaces we have reserved at this time.)

Questions? Talk to Ashley Corbett! (acorbett@hcinet.net or call/text at 651-278-4968)

Fundraising Fun!

December 17-18: Bake Sale & Stew Dinner (to follow Christmas program, 11:30-12:30)

We need y'all's help with the following:

1. **Bring cookie dough:** Saturday will be a fun day in the kitchen rolling, baking, and decorating cookies, and to save time we are asking you all to bring pre-made dough/batters with you, so we will just have to do the actual baking part. Just let us know what kind you're bringing (so we have a good variety), and be sure to sign up for every 4 doz. your dough will yield. Also bring any additional supplies your cookies require (e.g. sprinkles, Kisses, or cookie cutters).
2. **Bring food items:** We will be preparing the stew, and need your help in bringing the ingredients! Sign up online (details below) for food items you are able to contribute.
3. **Help on Saturday (Dec. 17):** We'll meet at 8:00 am and go until we're done.
4. **Help on Sunday:** We need servers, sellers, and cleaner-upers.

PLEASE ensure that ALL items (including breads and desserts) are at the church by 8:00am on Saturday so we can have everything ready. Thank you!

The more hands, the more fun (and fast) it will be! =) If you or a friend are not going on the mission trip or to camp, we could still use your help! It will be fun, and a great way to help out your peers.

Sign up to help online at <https://goo.gl/ot55Tu>
(you can also find this link on our church website)

AND SAVE THE DATES FOR...

Lent Soup Suppers: Wednesday, **March 8 and 22, 2017**

Easter Breakfast: Sunday, **April 16, 2017**

Additional fundraising has yet to be determined...

Got a great idea? Let us know!