MOST FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS– *9/7/2011* – **Joplin IDES projects**

What will we be doing? Probably at this point it will be construction related.

How many people can you accommodate? We would like to have groups no larger than 15 people.

D*o we need to bring tools?* It is helpful if you can bring construction-related tools, because we are limited on our own tools when we split into groups and go to different work sites.

Is there any cost involved in bringing a work team of volunteers? No. The base camp has been established for the teams' use at no cost. However, you will need to provide your own transportation and food. Facilities have been provided to prepare all your meals, showering, laundry and sleeping.

Living Arrangements–*Where will we sleep?* You will be allowed to sleep on the floors in the church building. There's a small nursery with a bathroom that can hold up to 4 people and other classrooms (one which could hold 8-12 people and another that could accommodate 3 (tightly). The auditorium has padded chairs that can be arranged to hold mattresses.

What will we sleep on? We have 4-inch foam and vinyl mattresses that are cot-sized. You will need to bring your own bedding and/or sleeping bag. Cots are welcome.

How many bathrooms? There are 3 bathrooms and 2 shower houses with a total of 7 toilets, 5 sinks, and 6 showers. IDES has some towels available for use, but you may prefer to bring your own.

Are the buildings air conditioned? Yes. *Internet available?* Yes. Wireless.

Are there laundry facilities? Yes. There are 2 washers, 2 dryers, and a clothesline. Depending on the size of your group, you will probably need to do at least 3 – 4 loads of laundry daily. *Are cleaning supplies provided?* Most cleaning supplies are available at the church building. It may vary from week to week.

Will we need to clean the building? Yes. You will need to clean the building and bathrooms. The auditorium has to be set up and cleaned in preparation for a Sunday morning assembly. There are also Wednesday youth groups and bible study which require cleared spaces to meet.

Cooking facilities–*What are the dining/eating facilities?* You may use the church kitchen for cooking and storing food. There is a small eating area (enough room to hold 1 table that seats 8).
Tables may be set up in the auditorium to hold more people.

What cooking supplies are available to use? 1 stove, 2 refrigerators, 1 full-size freezer, 2 microwaves, Coffeepots, A small selection of pots, pans, and bowls (2 big stockpots), Cookie sheets, Plates, silverware and glasses (Bring paper plates, if you prefer to not wash dishes.) Toaster, Coffee mugs and coffee supplies, Small selection of spices, Large coolers, Knives, serving spoons, spatulas, tongs. Ice Machine is NOT currently working.

What should we bring? Crockpot or roaster (if you would like the kitchen to be cool), Mixer, Foil roasting pans (depending on your menu), Storage containers for leftovers, Ziploc bags. Smaller coolers (for taking drinks to work sites, Your own supply of drinks or plan to make trips to Wal-mart (only 5 minutes away). Kitchen utensils you can't live without.

Personal items–*What should I pack?* Work clothes, Towels and bedding, Toiletries (DEODORANT!, soap, shampoo, etc.), Sunscreen, Sunglasses, Swimsuit and water shoes (so you can enjoy cooling off in Shoal Creek), Fan, Paper & pen, Band-aids, Specialized tools, Tool belt, Work shoes, Lots of patience and a willingness to work hard!

Donation Tool List–2 more trailers, another washing machine and another clothes dryer, another framing nailer (Hitachi), Compressor and hoses (100 ft.), Saber Saw, chop saw, table saws, Trailer to haul construction materials, chalk lines, tapes, speed squares, knives, 12-gauge extension cords (100 ft.), Ladders 6 ft & extension, 6 ft levels, 24-inch levels, nail aprons, scoop shovels, 4 ft chisel bar, cordless tools, roofing nailer, torpedo levels, nails, screws, saw horses, brooms, another wheel barrow, tire repair kits, and 4, 6, or 8 ft. length folding tables.

Cleaning List Suggestions

Auditorium

1 - Dust (Piano, Communion Table, Window Sills, Entry Table)
2 - Clean Glass on door Entryway
3 - Vacuum
4 - Arrange and Straighten Rows of Chairs

Nursery

5 - Dust Window sills
6 - Clean & Disinfect (Sink, Counter Top)
7 - Mop floor
8 - Vacuum
9 - Empty & Change Trash Bags
10 - Wipe Mattresses with Wet Towels and Put Back in Classroom

Bathrooms (5)

11 - Clean & Disinfect (Sinks, Toilets, Urinal, Showers)
12 - Sweep Floors
13 - Mop ONLY Floors Inside the Church Building
14 - Clean Mirrors
15 - Empty and Change Trash Bags
16 - Restock/Refill (Paper Supplies, Hand Soap, Towels)

Classrooms

17 - Clean & Disinfect Tables
18 - Vacuum/Sweep/Mop (Including hallway)
19 - Empty & Change Trash Bags
20 - Wipe Mattresses with Wet Towels and Stack Up

Kitchen

21- Clean & Disinfect (Sink, Counters, Tables, Coffee Pots, Stove, Microwave and Refrigerators)
22 - Sweep & Mop Floor
23 - Empty & Change Trash Bags

Grounds

24 - Pick Up Trash
25 - Clean out Washer and Dryers at the End of the Week
26 - Sweep out Laundry Room
27 - Clean Up Front of Buildings

*****WATER FLOWERS DAILY*****