

## **PWNC WV Disaster Assistance Trip – May 20-26, 2018**

This Spring, the Missions Committee will be offering a mission trip to West Virginia to help with flood recovery. This spring's trip is to an area that already experiences high levels of poverty. In June of 2016, West Virginia experienced 2 days of heavy rain, resulting in what has been called a 1,000 year flood. Twenty-four people lost their lives. A state of emergency was declared in 44 counties and the Elkview River crested 27' above normal. Our principal work in previous trips has been putting up drywall and getting it painted so that residents can get back into their homes again.

We will be working with the West Virginia Ministry of Advocacy & Workcamps, Inc. (WVMAW), Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, and staying in the Ronceverte Presbyterian Church in Greenbrier County.

Below is an overview of the trip from WVMAW:

WVMAW is a long term recovery agency that is an arm of the WV Presbytery disaster response. We book week long groups for long term recovery projects, and have project managers who lead and teach and keep materials on site. Most groups arrive on Sunday and leave the following Saturday. We are flexible in that some cannot stay the full week, so you can choose how many days would work for your team. The cost is \$250 per person for the week, and we can break it down to daily working day rate (\$62.50/day).

**Dates: Sunday, May 20 – Saturday, May 26, 2018**

**Cost: \$250 per person for the whole week; cost will be prorated for those staying less than the full week. The Missions Committee will be covering the cost of food for the week. Bring money for supper on Wednesday evening.**

**Registration forms are available from the Presbytery Office through the PWNC website. Questions may be directed to Bob Abel ([bnlabel@frontier.com](mailto:bnlabel@frontier.com)).**

**WV Ministry of Advocacy and Workcamps Inc.**  
**LIABILITY RELEASE FORM**

(For All Volunteers - Please fill out both pages and return two months prior to your trip.)

I, \_\_\_\_\_, acknowledge and state the following: I have chosen to travel to the work site to perform cleanup/construction work in disaster relief. I understand that this work entails a risk of physical injury and often involves hard physical labor, heavy lifting, and other strenuous activity; and that some activities may take place on ladders and building framing other than ground level. I certify that I am physically able to perform this type of work.

I understand that I am engaging in this project at my own risk. I understand that this is a “grass roots” activity to support individuals adversely affected by the disaster. I assume all risk and responsibility for any damage or injury to my property or any personal injury that I may sustain while involved in this project, and related material costs and expenses.

In the event that West Virginia Ministry of Advocacy and Workcamps, Inc. arranges accommodations, I understand that they are not responsible or liable for my personal effects and property and that they will not provide lockup or security for any items. I will hold them harmless in the event of theft or for loss resulting from any source or cause. I further understand that I am to abide by whatever rules and regulations may be in effect for the accommodations at that time.

By my signature, for my estate my heirs and myself I release, discharge, indemnify and forever hold West Virginia Ministry of Advocacy and Workcamps, Inc., together with their officers, agents, servants and employees, harmless from any and all causes of action arising from my participation in this project, and travel or lodging associated therewith, including any damages which may be caused by their own negligence. I also give permission for my picture to be used in West Virginia Ministry of Advocacy and Workcamps, Inc., publicity.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

For more information, go to [www.wvpresbytery.org/wvmaw.htm](http://www.wvpresbytery.org/wvmaw.htm).

**MEDICAL INFORMATION:**(Your confidentiality will be respected.)  
*\*If you will be driving volunteers, please enclose a copy of your Driver's License.*

Participant Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: M / F

Emergency Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Emergency Contact Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance Company Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Insurance Policy Number (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Insurance Policy Group Number (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of last tetanus shot \_\_\_\_\_ Blood type (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate if you have experienced health problems with the following:

Appendicitis _____	Ear trouble _____	Headache _____	Rheumatic Fever _____
Sinus trouble _____	Hernia _____	Convulsions _____	Fainting _____
Heart disease _____	Cramps in water _____	Epileptic seizure _____	Diabetes _____

Allergies (Please list type and treatment necessary)  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate any items that need to be avoided (such as paint fumes, heights, poison ivy, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Other significant illnesses \_\_\_\_\_

Any and all health/medical information supplied above is for exclusive use of WVMAW and its agents (all supervising personnel). By signing the Liability Release Form, I give permission for this information to be used in planning for and supervising my participation while in West Virginia.

**SKILLS INFORMATION:**

**What is your usual occupation?** \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate on this form your approximate level of skill using 1-4 to grade experience as listed below:

- 1 - Can supervise or teach this activity
- 2 - Able to competently perform this activity
- 3 - Could perform this activity with sufficient instruction
- 4 - Have never done this, or not a skill of mine

Carpentry	Cement work	Demolition	Drywall	Electrical	Floor/Tile	Glasswork	Masonry	Painting	Plumbing	Roofing	Yardwork

**WEST VIRGINIA MINISTRY OF ADVOCACY AND WORKCAMP  
PARENTAL RELEASE FORM**

(for volunteers under age 18 – please fill out this form and the Liability Release Form)

Name of volunteer: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby give permission for my child to serve in the Disaster Response project coordinated by the West Virginia Ministry of Advocacy and Workcamps on the following date(s)\_\_\_\_\_. In the event of an emergency during the duration of the trip, I hereby give consent to a licensed physician to hospitalize, secure proper treatment, anesthesia and/or surgery for my child named above.

I understand that I am responsible for his/her medical insurance and will not hold West Virginia Ministry of Advocacy and Workcamps, Inc., liable for any injury or damage to my child while engaged in the disaster project.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Your relationship to participant: \_\_\_\_\_

Does your child have any physical limitation that might affect his/her work?  
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Special needs if any:  
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Volunteer Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_