



Perry Open Team

LOCATION: PERRY, FLORIDA

DATES: OCTOBER 22 – NOVEMBER 10, 2014

Information Packet



Thank you for your interest in the Perry Open Team project, one of our many efforts based in North America. Each year, Maranatha works with organizations in the United States and Canada to provide volunteer labor for various construction or renovation projects. Typically, these North America project provide lodging and meals to participants.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

In the summer and fall of 2012, Maranatha volunteers built two new churches in New Albany, Mississippi and Decatur, Alabama. These new structures were part of Maranatha's effort to expand its mission and respond to the growing need for church buildings in North America. Since the Decatur church was featured in the February 2013 issue of *Adventist World*, Maranatha has received dozens of requests for more information about the church plan and is now sending volunteers to build these standardized churches, which include a sanctuary, offices, small classrooms, and a kitchen.

The Perry Seventh-day Adventist Church was one of the congregations that contacted Maranatha. This fall, volunteers will join the church members in Perry to build a new church building for the congregation.

Accommodations

There is space for approximately 50 volunteers on this project, and they will stay in local church members' homes. There is also a possibility of having 20 RV sites with water and electric hookups for those wishing to bring their RV. Please let us know if you plan on bringing your RV so arrangements can be made. Limited housing is also available in the current church building where volunteers can put mattresses on the floor and use the bathroom and shower facilities.

Expenses

The only costs to volunteers are the travel expenses to and from Perry, Florida. Three meals a day, accident insurance, and local housing are free in exchange for your volunteer labor.

Leadership

Project Coordinator: Betty Beattie

Construction Superintendent: Roger Hatch

Construction Superintendent: David Schwinn

Local Contact: Brian Crouch

ABOUT PERRY, FL

Perry, Florida is located in the panhandle of Florida, about two hours west of Jacksonville. This area of Florida is known as the "Nature Coast" due to the many forests and estuaries that follow the coastline.

Attractions

Forest Capital Museum State Park | Located in Perry, this museum and park celebrate the heritage of Florida's forest industry. Guided tours are available of the museum and adjacent 1863 homestead.

Bald Point State park-Apalachee Bay | This small beach is perfect for a stroll along the Gulf of Mexico and is lined with estuaries full of birds and shore animals. It is located about an hour and a half to the west of Perry.

Econfina River State Park | The Econfina River travels through oak-palm forests on its way to the Gulf of Mexico. This park, only about 35 minutes from Perry, is a perfect place to enjoy nature by foot, horseback, kayak, or bike.

Weather

Temperatures average in the mid 60's Fahrenheit. But evenings and mornings can be cooler, so please bring a light jacket. There is also a chance of rain during this season. Of course, the weather could change at any time, so we recommend that you check the 10-day forecast before leaving to ensure that you are prepared for the most current weather conditions in Perry.

TRAVEL INFORMATION

Flights

If you are planning on flying to the project, the closest airport is Tallahassee Regional Airport (TLH), about an hour from Perry. Please send your itinerary to volunteer@maranatha.org so pick up arrangements can be made.

Project Address:

2268 Green Farm Rd
Perry, FL 32347

Safety

Maranatha has a very high safety record on the worksite. This, is in part, because we require everyone on the construction site to wear a hard hat and gloves at all times. Please also wear appropriate safety equipment for the work tasks and wear sturdy shoes. Exercise caution while working on the construction site and be careful when working on or around ladders or scaffolding.

Thank-you for putting safety first!

AIG World Wide Insurance Coverage

All volunteers will be covered by accident insurance from the time they arrive at the project until their departure. This is a secondary policy, which means all claims will first be processed through your primary policy.

This secondary policy does not have a deductible for medical charges; however, it does carry a \$250 per occurrence deductible for dental charges.

Maximum Benefits:

Accidental death or dismemberment	\$75,000
Medical/dental expenses	\$100,000
Medical evacuation	\$250,000
Repatriation (in the event of a death)	\$25,000

Please refer to the brochure at the **end of this packet**, labeled "AIG Assist," for more information on the services provided.

AIG Assist Information

Phone:	877-832-3523 [toll free] 715-295-9817 [collect]
Group:	Maranatha Volunteers International
Policy Number:	SRG 913-59-27

Purchasing Maranatha Insurance

Maranatha mission projects are construction projects where people can get hurt. Accident insurance is essential. It is not possible for Maranatha to analyze everyone's policy to see whether his or her insurance is current and the coverage is in effect at the location of the mission project. The Maranatha Board of Directors decided that the safest route was to require everyone to purchase the secondary coverage that we carry. The cost of this coverage is provided free of charge to Maranatha volunteers on North American Projects.

Emergency Contact

If family members need to get in touch with you while you are at the project, they can contact the Maranatha office at (916) 774-7700. For emergency calls after hours, call (916) 774-7798. Please provide your family with these numbers prior to leaving for the project.

SKILLS AND PACKING LIST

Skills

Skills or experience in the following areas would be helpful.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Electrical Work | <input type="checkbox"/> Sheeting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Framing and Dry Walling | <input type="checkbox"/> Plumbing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Window Installation | <input type="checkbox"/> General Construction |

Items to Bring

The following is a list of tools that will be helpful on this project. If you are able to bring any, it would be appreciated. Be sure to mark them with your name since many tools look alike. If you cannot bring some of the tools listed below, please remember to be considerate of those from whom you borrow.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Nail apron | <input type="checkbox"/> Saws-all types |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hammer (waffle-faced is best) | <input type="checkbox"/> Skill saw |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tape measure | <input type="checkbox"/> Handsaw |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Level | <input type="checkbox"/> Drill-small hand (3/8' or 1/4') |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Utility knife | <input type="checkbox"/> Step ladder (6-8 ft) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carpenter pencil | <input type="checkbox"/> Painting supplies |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small square | <input type="checkbox"/> Broom for cleanup |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Roofing Hatchet | <input type="checkbox"/> Electric Cord |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hardiplank sidings tools | <input type="checkbox"/> Gloves* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stapler (hammer tacker) | <input type="checkbox"/> Hard Hat* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chalk Line | |

*Required

REGISTRATION

To register, please complete the online application or mail or fax the attached paper application to the Maranatha office. A limited number of volunteers can be accommodated on this project. Please wait for confirmation from Maranatha before making travel plans.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Phone: (916) 774-7700

Fax: (916) 774-7701

Email: volunteer@maranatha.org

Website: www.maranatha.org

Mailing Address:

Maranatha Volunteers International

990 Reserve Drive

Suite 100

Roseville, CA 95678

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NIKE CLASSIC POLO \$45



This classic golf polo has stitch-trimmed shoulder panels, flat knit collar, three-button placket and open hem sleeves—with Dri-FIT fabric technology to keep you dry on those hot days.

HARD HAT \$11



This MSA V-Gard hard hat, with Staz-On suspension, ensures excellent shock absorption on the job site.

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TO ORDER, CALL (916) 774-7700

All prices are excluding sales tax and shipping.

CAP \$12



All cotton and easy to pack, this cap is sure to keep the sun off your face on a mission project and at home.

WATER BOTTLE \$15



The autospout water bottle by Contigo features a one-touch-button spout for convenient one-handed drinking. It also has a spout shield to protect the spout from debris and dirt when not in use—perfect for the project site.