

# Yreka Open Team

**Dates:** June 7-17, 2015

**Location:** Yreka, California, USA



## Information Packet

Thank you for your interest in the Yreka 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 projects provide lodging and meals to participants.

## Project Overview

The Yreka Seventh-day Adventist congregation has been meeting in a gymnasium for nearly twenty years. Throughout this time, the members have been actively raising money to build a an actual church. This June, their prayers will be answered as Maranatha volunteers arrive to construct a new 3,600 square foot sanctuary. Volunteers will help with the wood framing and siding of the new church as well as the rough electrical and plumbing work.

## Accommodations

There is space for approximately 30 volunteers on this project. The church hopes to house several volunteers in church members' homes. The remaining volunteers will stay on the floor of the school. There are showers and bathrooms available to volunteers in the school. For either option, please plan to bring bedding. For those staying at the school, please also bring an air mattress or pad. There are also several RV sites with electric and water hookups available for those wishing to bring their RV.

## Expenses

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

## Leadership

**Construction Superintendent:** Leroy Kelm

**Local Contact:** Daryl Wheeler

## About Yreka, California

### Attractions

The American northwest is a great place to find outdoor adventure. Volunteers may choose to arrive early or leave a few days after the project conclusion to appreciate local sights and activities. Feel free to make your own arrangements for some of these or other popular area attractions.

**Rogue River** | The Rogue River winds through much of southern Oregon, and Hellsgate Jetboat Excursions is one company that offers jet boat tours up the canyon. This fully narrated trip zooms up the river on large passenger boats and provides gorgeous views of the scenery. There are chances to see deer, river otter, bald eagles, and more! This is considered THE excursion in the area. Tours are run out of Grants Pass, Oregon, about an hour from Milo.

**Mt. Shasta and Castle Crags** | Located about 40 minutes from Yreka in the Siskiyou mountains, these two nature areas provide lots of opportunities for hiking and wildlife viewing.

**Crater Lake** | Located two hours and fifteen minutes from Yreka, this pristine mountain lake has beautiful views from the crater rim and hiking trails, as well as water access for those who enjoy swimming, boating, and fishing.

## Weather

Average temperatures in June average in the 70's, but can dip into the 50's at night, so bring a light jacket just in case. Rainstorms are not common in June. Of course, current weather conditions can 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 Yreka.

## Travel Information

### Flights

If you are planning on flying to the project, the closest airport is the Rogue Valley International Airport in Medford, Oregon (airport code MFR). It is located approximately an hour from Yreka. Please send your itinerary to [volunteer@maranatha.org](mailto:volunteer@maranatha.org) so pick up arrangements can be made.

### Project Address:

346 Payne Ln  
Yreka, CA 96097

## 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!

### Chartis 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, labeled "Chartis Assist," for more information on the services provided.

### Chartis Assist Information

**Phone:** 877-832-3523 [toll free]  
715-295-1194 [collect]  
**Group:** Maranatha Volunteers International  
**Policy Number:** 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 projects in North America.

## 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:

- General construction
- Framing
- Siding and sheeting
- Window and door installation
- Electrician
- Plumbing

### Items to Bring

The following is a list of tools that will be helpful on this project. If you can bring any of these items, it would be appreciated. Be sure to mark each tool with your name since many look alike. If you cannot bring the items listed below, please be considerate when borrowing tools from other volunteers.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Nail apron                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Chalk line                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hammer (waffle-faced is best) | <input type="checkbox"/> Saws-all types                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tape measure                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Skill saw                       |
| <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')              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carpenter pencil              | <input type="checkbox"/> Broom for cleanup               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small square                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Electric cord                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sheetrock t-square            | <input type="checkbox"/> Gloves                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stapler (hammer tacker)       | <input type="checkbox"/> Hard hat*                       |

*\*Required*

## Registration

To register, please complete the online application. Approximately 50 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](mailto:volunteer@maranatha.org)

Mail:

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990 Reserve Drive  
Suite 100  
Roseville, CA 95678

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