

Bellingham Church Open Team

Information Packet

Location: Bellingham, Washington, USA

Project Dates: April 2-20, 2017



Thank you for your interest in the Bellingham Church 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

Volunteers will construct a new church building for the congregation. They will help with the wood framing, siding, and roofing.

Accommodations

There is space for 50 volunteers on this project. Volunteers will be hosted by local church members. There are also 10 RV sites with partial hookups available for those bringing their RVs.

Expenses

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

Leadership

Project Coordinator: Genevive Tininko

Construction Superintendent: Leroy Kelm

Local Contact: Diane Vyskocil

About Bellingham, Washington

Visit the city of Bellingham, Washington, for a fun getaway filled with magnificent scenery, a culture of outdoor recreation, the Alaska Ferry, the Canadian border, Mt. Baker, the Salish Sea, and city tours.

Volunteers may choose to arrive early or leave a few days after the project concludes to appreciate local sights and activities. Volunteers are responsible for making their own plans; this includes your own food and housing arrangements for some of these or other popular area attractions.

Weather

Average temperatures for April are in the mid 50's to low 40's Fahrenheit, but plan for just about any type of weather. 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 Bellingham, Washington.

Travel Information

Flights

If you are flying to the project, the closest airport is Bellingham International Airport (BLI), a 10-minute drive from project site. Do not purchase your tickets until you have been confirmed by Maranatha. Please send your itinerary to volunteer@maranatha.org so pick up arrangements can be made.

Project Address:

**5353 Waschke Rd
Bellingham, WA 98266**

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.

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

Purchasing Maranatha Insurance

Maranatha mission trips 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 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 America Projects.

Emergency contact

If family members need to get in touch with you while you are at the project and they cannot reach you, they can contact the Maranatha office at (916) 774-7700.

Skills and Packing List

Skills

Skills or experience in the following areas would be helpful.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Framing and dry walling | <input type="checkbox"/> Sheeting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Window installment | <input type="checkbox"/> General construction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Siding | <input type="checkbox"/> Carpentry |

Items to Bring

Tool List

The following is a list of tools that will be helpful on this project. Please mark your name on whatever items you bring to the construction site. When borrowing tools from other volunteers, please be considerate and return everything you use.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Nail apron | <input type="checkbox"/> Stapler (hammer tacker) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hammer (waffle-faced is best) | <input type="checkbox"/> Chalk line |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tape measure | <input type="checkbox"/> Skill saw |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Utility knife | <input type="checkbox"/> Step ladder (6-8') |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carpenter pencil | <input type="checkbox"/> Electric cord |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small square | <input type="checkbox"/> Gloves |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hardiplank sidings tools | <input type="checkbox"/> Hard hat* |

**Required*

General Packing List

This list is not comprehensive of everything you may choose to bring, but these are several items that have been most helpful to volunteers in the past.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Good disposition and flexible attitude | <input type="checkbox"/> Light jacket |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Work pants and shirts | <input type="checkbox"/> Flip flops or sandals |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hard hat and gloves | <input type="checkbox"/> Dress clothes for Sabbath |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sunglasses or safety glasses | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal toiletries and sunblock |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Good, closed-toe working shoes | <input type="checkbox"/> Water bottle |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hat | <input type="checkbox"/> Camera |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ID and personal insurance information | <input type="checkbox"/> Bible |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A copy of this packet with Maranatha insurance information and project addresses | <input type="checkbox"/> Bedding: twin sheet, blanket, or sleeping bag |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Personal prescribed medication and any over the counter medication you use regularly | <input type="checkbox"/> Bedding: air mattress, foam pad, cot |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Casual shirts, pants, and shorts | <input type="checkbox"/> Towel and washcloth |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Underclothes | <input type="checkbox"/> Small pillow |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Small alarm clock |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Earplugs |

Registration

To register, please complete the online application or call to register over the phone. Fifty 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

Maranatha Volunteers International
990 Reserve Drive
Suite 100
Roseville, CA 95678

Register at maranatha.org

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

HARD HAT \$11



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

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.

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*All confirmed volunteers on an International Maranatha Open Team receive a Maranatha t-shirt as part of their participation fee.

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