

# Shenandoah Valley Academy

## Information Packet

**Location: New Market, Virginia, USA**

**Dates: May 30 – June 13, 2019**

(May 30 is the arrival date, first work day will be May 31)



Maranatha Volunteers International is a nonprofit, Christian organization focused on providing churches, schools, and water wells around the world. A portion of the projects utilize volunteers on short-term mission trips to complete the work. Annually, we mobilize more than 2,000 volunteers to assist with various service opportunities and partner with thousands of donors to fundraise for international projects. Maranatha's mission is to spread the Gospel throughout the world as we build people through the construction of urgently-needed buildings.

In North America, Maranatha aids by recruiting and organizing volunteer labor for construction and renovations projects at schools, churches, and camps.

## Project Overview

The Shenandoah Valley Adventist Academy (VA) Project is one of our many efforts based in North America. Volunteers will help with several projects on the school campus. Projects will consist of: tile setting, removing 25 fiberglass shower stalls and replace with tile, plumbing, column repairs on boy dorms, carpet laying, fascia replacement on the boy dorm, sheetrock repair as well as painting.

### Leadership

**Project Coordinator:** Jeanice Riles

**Construction Superintendent:** Ernie Riles

**Local Contact:** Don Short, Principal



Jeanice & Ernie  
Riles

### Accommodations

There is space for 50 volunteers on this project. Volunteers who request housing will stay in the dorms. There are also 25 RV sites with full hookups available for those wishing to bring their RV.

### Expenses

The only costs to volunteers are the travel expenses to and from Shenandoah Valley Academy in New Market, Virginia. Three vegetarian meals a day, accident insurance, and local housing are provided by the Shenandoah Valley in exchange for your volunteer labor.

## Project Schedule

**Thursday, May 30**  
Arrival

**Friday, May 31**  
Orientation and first work day

**Saturday, June 1**  
Sabbath

**Sunday – Friday, June 2-7**  
Work days

**Saturday, June 8**  
Sabbath

**Sunday – Wednesday, June 9 -12**  
Work days

**Thursday, June 13**  
Depart after breakfast

## Allergies and Dietary Restrictions

Maranatha provides three vegetarian meals each day. We ask for your allergies on your registration form, and we will do our best to accommodate your needs. However, we cannot meet all special requests. If your diet is restrictive (vegan, gluten-free, etc.) we recommend that you bring items such as soy milk powder, gluten-free bread, etc. to supplement the meals provided by the cooks.

## About New Market

### Attractions

Volunteers may choose to arrive early or leave a few days after the project concludes in order to appreciate local sights and activities. Volunteers are responsible for making their own arrangements, including food and lodging, for all days outside of the project dates.

A few of the local sights that might be of interest to you are the New Market Battlefield, Luray Caverns, Shenandoah National Park, Shenandoah Valley Orchards, Vineyards, Mennonite Farms, James Madison University and Eastern Mennonite University.

### Weather

Average temperatures for New Market, Virginia during June average in the low 60's to mid 80'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 New Market, Virginia.

## Travel Information

### Flights

Once you have registered and been confirmed, if you are flying to the project, please plan to arrive on May 30 and depart on June 13; the closest airport is Shenandoah Valley Regional Airport (SHD), a 30 minute drive from the airport. Please book flights that come in before 6 p.m. on the arrival date. If you need to fly in later, or outside the project dates, please check with the Maranatha office to confirm that your arrival time can be accommodated.

If you will be leaving before the project end date, please be aware that you may be responsible for arranging your own transportation back to the airport. Please send your itinerary to [volunteer@maranatha.org](mailto:volunteer@maranatha.org) so pick up arrangements can be made.

### Project Address:

**Shenandoah Valley Adventist Academy**  
**234 W Lee HWY**  
**New Market, VA 22844**

### AIG Insurance Coverage

Maranatha mission projects are construction projects where people can get hurt. It is not possible for Maranatha to analyze everyone's insurance 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 be covered by the insurance coverage through Maranatha's carrier. For projects taking place in North America, the cost of this is covered by the hosting organization.

All volunteers will be covered by this insurance policy from the time they depart for the project until they return home. For volunteers who have extended travel by arriving before or staying after a project, the insurance would start and end on the Maranatha project dates based on the project application.

Insurance coverage depends on location of the project and home residency of the volunteer. Both policies are primary policies that do not have a deductible. As with all insurances, exclusions apply. An insurance brochure with the policy information and list of benefits will be sent to you in the confirmation email for this project.

## 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!

## Registration

To register, please complete the online application at [maranatha.org](http://maranatha.org), or call to register over the phone. 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:**

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

# Skills and Packing List

## Skills

Skills or experience in the following areas would be helpful.

- Painting
- Concrete work
- Electrical work
- Sheeting
- Plumbing
- General construction
- Carpentry
- Landscaping

## Items to Bring

### Tool List

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"/> Framing nail gun 21 (insert degree sign) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hammer * (waffle-faced is best)       | <input type="checkbox"/> Stapler (hammer tacker)                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tape measure*                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Chalk line*                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Level                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Saws-all types                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Utility knife*                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Skill saw                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carpenter pencil                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Handsaw                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small square*                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Drill-small hand (3/8" or 1/4")          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Roofing Hatchet                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Step ladder (6-8')                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sheetrock T-square                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Painting supplies                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sheetrock hole saw                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Broom for cleanup                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sheetrock hammer                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Electric Cord                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Screw guns for sheet rock application | <input type="checkbox"/> Gloves                                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hardiplank sidings tools              | <input type="checkbox"/> Hard Hat*                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Air hose                              |   |

\*Required

### General Packing List

This list is not comprehensive of all that you may choose to bring, but these are several of the 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, close-toed 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                                      |

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### 2019 MARANATHA T-SHIRT \$10



The 2019 Maranatha shirt features a 50th anniversary logo on the sleeve, made with a poly/cotton heather blend by Bella + Canvas. Mens cut only; color is "heather deep teal."

### HARD HAT \$13



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

[MARANATHA.ORG](http://MARANATHA.ORG)

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



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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. Available in Khaki and Navy.

### 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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