

## Camp Kulaqua Project

## **Information Packet**

**Location:** High Springs, Florida, USA **Dates:** January 6 - 15, 2021 (Arrival, January 6, Departure, January 15)



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.

Camp Kulaqua is in High Springs, Florida and is requesting volunteer help with constructing a 40' X 60' open air pavilion and pouring a concrete floor.

## **Project Overview**

Volunteers will construct a 40' X 60' open air paviiion and pour a concrete floor.

#### Leadership

Project Coordinator: Jeanice Riles Construction Superintendent: Ernie Riles Local Contact: Michael Hopkins, Building Maintenance Director



#### Accommodations

There is space for 25 volunteers on this project. Volunteers who request housing will be staying in rustic cabins. There are also 10 RV sites with partial hookups available for those wishing to bring their RV. If housing is limited, priority will be given to volunteers who can participate the entire length of the project.

#### **Expenses**

The only costs to volunteers are the travel expenses to and from Camp Kulaqua in High Springs, Florida. Three vegetarian meals a day, accident insurance, and local housing are provided by Camp Kulaqua in exchange for your volunteer labor.

#### **Project Schedule**

<u>Wednesday, January 6</u> Arrival

<u>Thursday - Friday, January 7 - 8</u> Work days

<u>Saturday, January 9</u> Sabbath

<u>Sunday - Thursday, January 10 - 14</u> Work days

<u>Friday, January 15</u> Departure

#### **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 High Springs, Florida

#### 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.

There are several Nature & Parks to visit: O'Leno State Park, Blue Springs Park, Ginnie Springs (has caverns and caves for those interested in diving). For a more comprehensive list and for other attractions, please visit <u>www.TripAdvisor.com</u>.

#### Weather

Average temperatures for High Springs during January average in the high 70's to low 40's Fahrenheit. 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 High Springs, Florida.

## **Travel Information**

#### **Flights**

Once you have registered and been confirmed, if you are flying to the project, please plan to arrive on January 6 and depart on January 15; the closest airport is Gainesville Regional Airport (GNV), a 25 minute drive to the camp. Please book flights that come in before 6 pm on the arrival date. If you need to fly in later than 6 pm or outside of the arrival and departure dates, please check with the Maranatha office to confirm that your travel plans 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 <u>volunteer@maranatha.org</u> so pick up arrangements can be made.

#### **Project Address:**

Camp Kulaqua 23400 NW 212th Ave High Springs, FL 32643

#### 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, or call to register over the phone. 25 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: <u>volunteer@maranatha.org</u> 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.

- General construction
- Carpentry
- Framing

#### **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.

- □ Nail apron \*
- Hammer \* (waffle-faced is best)
- □ Tape measure\*
- Level
- Utility knife\*
- Carpenter pencil
- Small square\*
- Hardiplank sidings tools
- □ Air hose
- □ Framing nail gun 21-Degree
- □ Stapler (hammer tacker)

- □ Chalk line\*
- □ Saws-all types
- □ Skill saw
- □ Handsaw
- Drill-small hand (3/8" or 1/4")
- □ Step ladder (6-8')
- Painting supplies
- □ Broom for cleanup
- □ Electric Cord
- □ Gloves
- Hard Hat\*

#### \*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.

- □ Good disposition and flexible attitude
- Work pants and shirts
- □ Hard hat and gloves
- Sunglasses or safety glasses
- Good, close-toed working shoes
- □ Hat
- □ ID and personal insurance information
- □ A copy of this packet with Maranatha insurance information and project addresses
- Personal prescribed medication and any over the counter medication you use regularly
- Casual shirts, pants, and shorts
- □ Underclothes
- Light jacket
- Flip flops or sandals
- Dress clothes for Sabbath
- Personal toiletries and sunblock

- Water bottle
- □ Camera
- □ Bible
- □ Bedding: twin sheet, blanket, or sleeping bag
- □ Bedding: air mattress, foam pad, cot
- Towel and washcloth
- □ Small pillow
- □ Small alarm clock
- □ 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.

## **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

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The autospout water bottle by Contigo features a one-touchbutton 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.