

Sunday, February 22, 2026

RE: Youth Trip to Hermitage, Missouri

March 6th-8th, 2026

Dear Parents,

You are receiving this letter because your child has signed up to attend a youth trip to Hermitage, Missouri the weekend of March 6th – 8th. This will be the 16th year that the youth from Calvary Church will be attending this annual youth retreat. This year's theme will be "GOODBYE YESTERDAY" based on **2 Corinthians 5:17**, , ***"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come."*** We are looking forward to seeing God work in and through our youth for His glory during this weekend retreat and are grateful that your child has chosen to attend this event with us. The purpose of this letter is to answer any questions that you may have regarding the cost of the retreat and the agenda for the weekend.

First, safety is our main concern, and we will be having 11 adult sponsors attending this weekend, which means that we have a 4 to 1 ratio between the youth and adults for this trip. We have enclosed a medical release form that each youth who is attending this event must have completed by a parent or guardian giving Calvary Church permission to seek medical attention for your child in the event of a medical emergency. Your child will not be allowed to attend this retreat without a signed medical release form.

Secondly, what is the cost? The cost for this event is very reasonable. The host church, First Baptist Church of Hermitage, will be covering the cost of hotel rooms during our stay along with most our meals that we will be eating during the retreat at no cost to any of the churches attending. But due to the rising costs on the host church we will be collecting \$ 30 from everyone that will be attending this conference from Calvary. All the money that we collect will be donated to the host church to offset their costs for this conference. In addition to this, each student will need to bring enough money for lunch at Apple Bees on the way home and for any snacks and drinks that will need to purchase on the drive there and back.

Thirdly, what to bring and what is the schedule of events. They will need to bring church clothes for worship services, normal everyday clothing, gym clothes for activity times, pajamas, toiletries such as shampoo, soap, toothbrush, and etc.. They will also need to bring their Bible, a notebook, and pen. We will not be going to McDonalds/Taco Bell for lunch on Friday when we leave. You will need to pick up your own lunch or bring your lunch as we will be eating it at the church before we leave for Hermitage. And the most important thing that they need to bring is a great attitude and an expectation of what great things that God has in store for them. We will be leaving from Calvary Church at 11:00 am on Friday, March 6th and will be back at Calvary Church around 7pm on Sunday, March 8th.

**IMPORTANT: SIGNED MEDICAL RELEASE FORM AND \$ 30 REGISTRATION FEE DUE WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4TH**

And lastly, pray. Pray for our safety there and back home. Pray that God will reveal Himself to our youth in a real and life changing way. And pray that we all come back home revived and a passion to live for our Lord in a manner worth of privilege to be the children of God. If you have any questions regarding this trip, please contact me either by email at [cscott20@hotmail.com](mailto:cscott20@hotmail.com) or by my cell phone at 618-443-8357.

In Christ,  
Chris Scott