

Why return to New Orleans?



Many homes in the area still look like this. There is still a great deal of work to be done in New Orleans.

Seeing how much work is unfinished, even after six years, might seem overwhelming.

The good news is that there are many homes that have been rebuilt because of the efforts of groups like the ELCA Disaster Response Fund, Habitat for Humanity and many other groups.

But there is still so much left to do!



What will we be doing this time in New Orleans?

We know that we will be spending at least one day helping those who are still facing instability because of Hurricane Katrina. In 2009, our assignment was to help a church by painting exterior trim and interior walls, repair a fence and gate, and also refurbish their play area. We don't know exactly what our task will be next July - we go as "servants" - eager to help any way we can.



Before



After

2012 ELCA Youth Gathering Registration Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Please include your deposit of \$200

(This deposit is refundable only until October 9th)

Method of Payment:

_____ Check

_____ Cash

_____ Credit Card

Card #: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Signature: _____

Financial Aid is Available

Anyone needed additional financial aid may speak with Pastor Craig. We want as many youth as possible attending this wonderful event. There are funds available for those who cannot pay the (approximate) \$500 per person.

Detach and return to Pastor Craig with your \$200 Deposit

Who is eligible?

All students who are now in 8th through 12th grade are eligible to take part in the next ELCA National Youth Gathering. The ELCA has changed its policy and now allows those preparing to enter High School at the time of the Gathering to participate.



What is required?

We will be having an organizational meeting on Sunday, September 18th at 6:00 PM in the Youth Room. The meeting should last about one hour.

Youth who are taking part in the 2012 Gathering will be expected to take part in the fundraising efforts and also attend "Citizens with the Saints" meetings. These meetings will be focused on the theme of this year's Gathering and we will also review the logistics of this trip. Our hope is that these regular meetings will allow all our youth to get to know one another, help build group unity and make a great trip even better.



Important Information:

- **Dates:** The actual event begins Wednesday July 18th and ends Sunday, July 22. All participants should include at least one day "travel time" in the schedule. Please reserve July 17th - 23rd for this event.
- **Cost:** Including ELCA Gathering registration, transportation, hotel, and some meals, we are estimating the cost to be about \$1,050 per person.
- **Fundraising:** We usually raise about one half of the cost. We have several events planned and we have over \$9,000 raised at this point and we need everyone's help to reach our goal.
- **Questions?** Contact Pastor Craig or go to the website: www.elca.org/gathering.

The Prince of Peace Youth Group who attended the 2009 ELCA National Youth Gathering



Be Part of Our 2012 Group

Calling All Prince of Peace High School Youth (& 2011-12 8th Graders)



2012 ELCA Youth Gathering
citizens with the saints
Ephesians 2:14-20

July 18 - 22, 2012
New Orleans, Louisiana

ELCA Registration opens October 9th

**Register with Prince of Peace
BEFORE October 2nd**