

2019 DENVER, CO MS MISSION TRIP

Dates: March 16-21, 2019

Team Members: 28 participants
(21 Students, 7 Adults)

Trip Leader: Dylan Bone

Partner Church Information: Journey Point Church is a new church plant in the city of Denver, launching fall 2018.

Our first services are November 4th, December 2nd, January 6th, then launching February 10th. Stapleton is home to the largest urban infill redevelopment project in the country as they decided in the early 2,000s to turn the old Denver Airport into a Community-centric neighborhood. Stapleton is now home to more than 50,000 residents, with an average age of 33.4 and close to 2 kids per home, and an anticipated 3,000 new homes in the next 36 months. It's one of the fastest growing communities in the Denver area and a largely desirable community. Our church is gospel centered, with a strong emphasis on disciple-making and leadership development. Our sole purpose and mission is to *"point people on a journey with Jesus."*



Partner Church Staff/Leadership Information: Chris and Libby Phillips have been married for over 11 years and have 4 children, Tripp (9), Paxton (7), Rhett (5), and Henley Grace (21 months). We're originally from TN and Chris has been in full-time ministry as a pastor for over 6 years, where I was previously a Medical Device Representative. Libby has her master's in early childhood education and is our Children's Ministry Director on top of her job as a Kindergarten Teacher (at the school where we're worshipping!).

Seth Taylor, our Connections Pastor, and his wife are originally from Kentucky, but have lived in Denver for over 2 years. Seth and Lea have a 2-year-old daughter Eliza. Seth served as an intern at a church plant here in Denver but joined the Journey Point team last year where Seth is overseeing all of our setup/teardown, missions efforts, and small groups.

Trip Purpose: The desire and purpose for the trip is for exposure and service in our community and at our church.

Ministry Activities: (a) Partner with Denver Rescue Mission (Homeless); (b) Partner with Project Worthmore (refugees); (c) Hang door hangers, serve coffee and donuts, host block parties, serve first responders, serve elementary schools, and other opportunities; and (d) helping Journey point load in, set up, take down, and load out their mobile church as well as serve in the children's ministry to give volunteers a much needed break.

Geographic Information: Sitting at 5,280 feet, Denver is the mile-high city. With the changing climate, make sure to pack in layers, as you never know when you'll wake up with 30 degrees, have lunch at 75, and go to bed around 40. Stapleton is a mix of urban and suburban. Stapleton is lost. There is a large same-sex population here and that is something to adjust to when visiting. The constant reminder is that we love the sinner, but hate the sin. Out of 50,000+ people in Stapleton, only 500 are worshipping in a church weekly, therefore when you encounter people, they're more than likely not in a relationship with Jesus. Those not in a relationship with Jesus, act like people not in a relationship with Jesus. With the amount of projects, going on, I'd pack lightly, and in layers to accommodate the changing climate and potential days in the mountains.



Health Considerations: Staying hydrated will be a priority. There will also be a lot of walking involved.

Clothing: Please bring modest clothing. Colorado is known for "Colorado Casual" and you'll see most people in flip flops, jeans, and a t-shirt. No formal dress is needed.

Lodging and Transportation: The team will stay at one of the hotels in Stapleton. They will drive rental vans from OKC to Denver and use those vans to get around the city.

Deposit and Trip Cost: **\$125 nonrefundable deposit.** Because logistics are still being determined, the full cost of the trip and a payment plan will be given at the first mission trip meeting on **October 14, 2018.** Give payments to Student Ministry Staff or place in the mailboxes in the student building.

Registration: All participants are required to register online at <https://qsbc.org/student-mission-trips/> You can pay your deposit online. All participants are required to fill out a mission trip application. In order to secure your spot the application, online registration, and deposit must be turned in.

MEETINGS

First Meeting: **October 14, 2018** at 6:30 pm. Parents are encouraged to attend this meeting.

Calendar: Reserve the dates and times for remaining meetings. **These meetings are required and important for preparation. Contact Jeff DeGiacomo if you cannot make a meeting.**

- November 18, 2018 at 6:30pm
- January 13, 2019 at 6:30pm
- February 10, 2019 at 6:30pm
- March 10, 2019 at 6:30pm – Parents need to attend this meeting.



Homework: Complete assignments before each meeting.