

# 2019 PHOENIX, AZ HS MISSION TRIP

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**Dates:** March 16-23, 2019

**Team Members:** 30 participants (25 Students, 5 Adults)

**Trip Leader:** Lauren Forgety

**Partner Church Information:** North Phoenix Baptist Church is over 70 years old. We have been in our current location over 30 years. We are located on the corner of Bethany Home Road and Central Avenue on 40 acres. This property was purchased through the sacrificial giving of church members and sits in the very



heart of the Phoenix metropolitan area. Our neighborhood is quite diverse. Within a 2-3 mile radius are very expensive homes, an affluent area. A couple of miles past that radius are some very economically challenging areas . . . low income apartment complexes, pockets of great homelessness, areas of high drug use and sale. To our south is our financial district and several universities of settled in our downtown area – truly transforming it. Yet in the midst of this is a large population with mental health issues. Our North Phoenix Baptist Church – South Campus is in a largely Hispanic area. So as you can see, our Church has an amazing opportunity to minister to all people. Both campuses currently have one Worship House (at 10:30 am) and one Bible Study (Connect Group) hour at 9 am on Sunday at the Main Campus; 6:30 pm on Thursdays on our South Campus. Since the arrival of our new Pastor, Dr. Noe Garcia, two years ago the demographics of our Church are changing. We are definitely a church for all people, and where we were once a dying church, we now have life and vibrancy and a renewed zeal for sharing the Gospel and seeing people’s lives transformed through Jesus Christ.

**Partner Church Staff/Leadership Information:** Our Pastor, Dr. Noe Garcia, came to us two years ago from Arkansas. He brings wonderful vision and a God-given gift of Evangelism and the teaching of God’s word. He is supported by an executive leadership team of our Executive Director of Local and Global Missions (Lorri Paetz), our Worship Pastor (Criston Moore), our CFO (Chuck Stanley), our Pastor of Discipleship (Brandon Kennedy) and our Executive Pastor (Perry Gagliano). John Shillington, who served for over 30 years as our Worship Pastor and then as Executive Pastor in our interim phase, also serves on the Pastors Leadership Team. We also have Ministers overseeing our discipleship area – children’s, students, families, etc. We also have a Family Life Center on our Campus. Also on our campus are the offices of two strategic partners, Arizona Baptist Children’s Services which focuses on foster care and adoption and SISTER Ministries which focuses on women re-entering after incarceration. We have an Elder Board who assist our Pastor in the governance of the church and Deacons who minister to a church members through prayer and service.

**Trip Purpose:** Partner with North Phoenix Baptist Church to continue to expand their influence in their city for the purpose of introducing people to Jesus Christ.

**Ministry Activities:** (a) Outreach events with the South Campus; (b) Student ministry events on their main campus; and (c) a variety of other ministry opportunities that are to be determined by their staff.



**Geographic Information:** There is very little humidity here in the desert so staying hydrated is a huge thing – bring a water bottle. March in Arizona will be lovely – usually 70-80 during the day but it can cool off in the evening.

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

**Clothing:** Please bring modest clothing. A light jacket is a must for the cool nights, shoes because there is a lot of walking and working. Sunglasses and sunscreen is also important. No need for formal dress.

**Lodging and Transportation:** The team will stay at North Phoenix Baptist Church. They will fly to Phoenix and then use rental 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**. If you withdraw from the trip after the plane tickets are purchased, **you are responsible to pay for your ticket.** 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

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**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.

