What is a typical mission trip with ASP like?

Volunteers work on a variety of different projects, including tasks such as strengthening foundations, patching leaks, fixing roofs, building walls, repairing stairs, digging flood channels, installing plumbing, and painting exteriors. No matter how much building experience you have, we will match your group's skill level to an appropriate project.

Your project will be assigned 2-3 days in advance of your trip. However, most assignments involve you picking up where another team has stopped. This means factors such as weather may affect project planning and we ask for your flexibility! Your center staff will review project details with your group contact person by phone a few days before your trip, along with your construction skill assessment (Construction Information Form), to ensure your group is properly matched to the project they have selected for each crew.

Arrival Day

2:30pm-5:00pm
Arrive at your center; register; meet other groups

5:00pm-5:30pm
Staff introductions; review center rules, expectations, schedule, community info, chore assignments, etc.

5:30pm-6:00pm
Construction meeting (safety review; overview of family files/project assignments)

6:00pm-7:00pm
Dinner

7:00pm-8:30pm
Project Visits (One adult and one youth per work crew will visit the worksite, meet the family, and discuss the project with the staff)

10:30pm-11:00pm
Quiet time; settle in for a well-deserved sleep

11:00pm
Lights out; rest for a wonderful experience

Typical Work Day

7:00am-8:00am
Rise and shine, devotions, breakfast

8:30am-4:30pm
Work day with noon lunch break at the work site

5:00pm-6:00pm
Crew check-in for project updates, supply requests, etc.

6:00pm-7:00pm
Dinner

7:00pm-10:30pm
Center clean-up; Evening Gathering (a time of fellowship, reflection, sharing, singing, playing, sometimes with a guest speaker, local musician or artist, or other special event); free time

10:30pm-11:00pm
Quiet time; settle in for a well-deserved sleep

11:00pm
Lights Out

Departure Day

6:00am-8:30am
Final center clean up; packing; goodbyes