## The North Carolina Partnership with Pennsylvania/South Jersey

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What's This?:

What do Partnership Teams do?:

What can a Partnership team do for me and my church?

How much will having a Partnership team cost?

How do I go about requesting a team from North Carolina?

What happens then?

An avenue through which North Carolina Baptist churches, associations, and individuals have opportunity to partner with Pennsylvania/South Jersey congregations, church plants, and ministries in fulfilling the God-given task of reaching the lost for Christ.

NC Partnership teams have served all around the world in many different ways:

Bible School
Backyard Bible Clubs
Community Surveys
Revival Teams
Youth and Children's Camps
Music ministry

New Construction
Renovation of existing facilities
Painting
Landscaping and cement work
Sports clinics and camps
Leadership Training ...And More!

The purpose of a NC Partnership team is to partner with you in reaching your community for Christ. This could include a direct ministry such as a Backyard Bible Club, sports camp, evangelism, and other outreach activities — OR - one that better equips your church *for* ministry — such as leadership training or facility construction or renovation.

NC Partnership teams pay their own way to the field. They are also prepared to pay their own housing, transportation, and meals *if necessary*. If it's possible for them to stay in your church facility and/or for your church to provide one meal a day for them – that helps greatly, but is not required. Also, evangelistic outreach teams are willing to bring ministry supplies if needed. Construction and renovation-type teams usually expect materials to be provided by the requesting church or organization – although on occasion, they may be willing to contribute toward materials if needed.

Pray about how you might use a volunteer missionary team to assist you in fulfilling your ministry. Fill out one (or more!) of the enclosed NC Partnership Volunteer Request Forms. Send the form to Mark Abernathy, Baptists on Mission (BOM) or Dewey and Kathie Aiken, NC On-Site Coordinators. We will be glad to receive requests throughout the year, but most of our churches begin their missions planning 8-10 months in advance, and will be eager to see a list of requests beginning in October. So please submit the request as soon as possible.

Baptists on Mission will work to promote your project among our churches here in North Carolina (and beyond via our website!) and help find a team to fill it. While we cannot guarantee a team to fill your request, we will promote it throughout the year in a variety of ways. When a team shows interest, the team leader will be put in direct contact with you. If you both feel it is a good fit, you both will set the dates of service and work out all the necessary details.

If you have any questions about the North Carolina/Pennsylvania-South Jersey Partnership, please feel free to contact:

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