

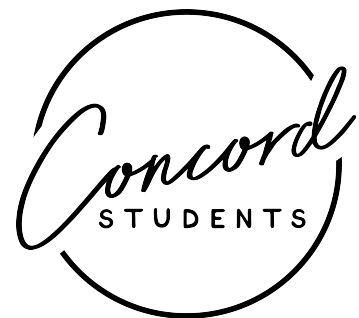
UK Mission Trip 2024



Where: United Kingdom

Who: Students currently in 9/10 grade

When: March 8-16, 2024



General Info

The Need:

While the UK is not an unreached people group, it is decidedly a “Post Christian” society. There is a void of any knowledge or understanding of the Gospel and the life changing relationship that can be found in Jesus. It’s reported that a twenty-something in the UK has a 97 percent chance of having never met a follower of Jesus in their entire life.

The Work:

We will be partnering with UK-USA ministries in Sunderland in middle UK. UK-USA ministries was founded by Mike Taylor, a youth pastor who was serving in Houston. UK-USA ministries seeks to spread the Gospel thru local ministries such as sports camps, after school clubs, and in school ministries.

Who is leading this trip?

We send at least one staff member on all of our mission trips.

We will maintain a minimum ratio of 1 leader for every 6 students.

Travel Info:

We will be flying out of Atlanta connecting in Amsterdam and arriving in Newcastle. We will then return on a direct flight from London to Atlanta. We will take a charter bus from Knoxville to Atlanta and back.

Schedule:

We will leave from the church on Friday, March 8 at approx. 3:30pm, arriving in Newcastle on Saturday at 12:40pm. We will worship in a local church on Sunday, then work with UK-USA ministries Sunday thru Thursday. Friday we will go to London to tour and sightsee. We will return to Knoxville on Saturday, March 16 arriving at the church at approx. 11:00pm.

Food:

Due to the diverse culture of the UK, there is a very wide variety of food. We will be eating mostly quick service type meals.

Weather:

The UK in March will be in the mid-50’s. It’s the beginning of spring so the weather is improving and plants are beginning to bloom. March is usually cloudy with about 4-5 hours of sunshine a day.

Phones:

Students can sign up for international plans with their carrier.



Money:

Meals are covered by the church. Breakfast will be at the lodging site. Lunch and Dinner will be at the church, at training, or in a café type restaurant. However we do estimate that students will need the following money while we are on the trip:

4 travel meals - \$50

Admission to tours, sightseeing - \$65

Souvenirs - \$(depends on gender and shopping habits) :)

The currency of the UK is the pound. We will stop at London Heathrow to exchange money when we arrive if students would like to. However, please note that the UK is not very cash friendly. It is suggested that you send some type of credit or debit card with your student that is contactless.

Possible Excursions:

Sightseeing in London

River Thames tour

Big Ben, London Eye, Tower of London, Tower Bridge, etc.

Important Notes

Requirements for Concord Students Missions:

Because a mission trip is an opportunity for us to serve others with the message of Jesus, it is a trip that requires more of those who attend. Therefore there are some basic requirements we ask of every student who is attending a Concord Students Mission Trip. Each of these requirements is designed to prepare students for their experience.

- Students must be actively involved in Bible Study Groups and Midweek, maintaining a 2/3rds attendance level.
- Students must attend Beach Week.
- Students must attend at least 4 of the 6 training meetings for their trip.
 - Oct. 22 at 12:30 - Vision and parent meeting (MANDATORY)
 - Nov. 5 evening - Serve at Dodgeball
 - Dec. 3 at 12:30pm
 - Jan. 28, 2024 at 12:30pm
 - Feb. 25 at 12:30pm - Security meeting
 - March 24 at 12:30 - Post trip debrief
- Parents and students must complete all forms in a timely manner.
- Students should be consistent in daily devotional.

Important Dates:

Big Weekend 2024 - March 1-3, 2024

Cost:

The cost of this trip is \$1600. A \$300 non-refundable deposit is due to reserve your spot. This price includes all plane tickets, van travel, lodging, food, and fees. The only items not included in this price are travel meals, snacks, and any souvenirs.

We understand this is an expensive trip. However we believe that a mission trip can be one of the most impactful experiences of a student's life. Therefore we are starting signups early so you have the opportunity to pay the trip out over the course of several months.

Payment deadlines:

\$300 deposit is due October 4 (non-refundable)

Remainder is due January 25, 2024

How to register:

1. Students fill out and submit a SLU/Mission Trip application. These are due October 4, 2023.
2. The student team will setup your account in Managed Missions and email you the deposit payment link. This website will track all of your completed forms and payments.

In an effort to aid families with the cost of this trip, First Baptist Church has supplemented part of the cost of this trip. Because of this all registrations are due by October 4, 2023.