# Frequently Asked Questions North Macedonia Young Life Camp: Trinity Volunteer Team

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# What is Young Life?

Young Life is a Christian ministry that reaches out to middle school, high school, and college students in all 50 of the United States and in more than 100 countries around the world. They are devoted to introducing adolescents to Jesus Christ and helping them grow in their faith by going where kids are and building personal relationships with them. They provide fun, adventurous, life-changing experiences while working in community alongside like-minded adults (volunteer leaders, committee members, donors and staff). Young Life camps are a key way that they engage with young people, show them the love of Jesus, and present the gospel.

## What's the purpose of Trinity's volunteer trip?

Young Life in Central and Eastern Europe conducts middle and high school camps in multiple countries over the summer. We'll be helping to facilitate the WyldLife (middle school) camp in North Macedonia, which means we'll help the local Young Life team with set-up, lead workshops and fun activities, organize games and other events that are a part of the week, and demonstrate the love of Jesus (in ways that don't require us to speak Macedonian!).

## Who can join the Trinity team?

If you're an adult who enjoys working with middle school kids, or if you're a high schooler with a parent who can accompany you on the trip, we'd love to have you! (If you're an interested high schooler without a parent who can come, please reach out to Meg Newton at <a href="mag.newton@trinitychurch.life">meg.newton@trinitychurch.life</a>.)

## Where is the camp located? How will we get there?

The camp takes place at a small local hotel on Lake Prespa, about three hours from Skopje, North Macedonia's capital city. We'll fly into Skopje and spend two nights there, and then head with the local Young Life team to the camp location on Lake Prespa.

#### What are the accommodations and meals like?

We'll stay in a hotel in Skopje, and then in a modest local hotel that houses the camp for most of the time we're in North Macedonia. During camp, meals are provided by the hotel and can accommodate most special dietary needs.

## How much will the trip cost?

Not including the flight, the price of which can vary significantly, the trip will cost around \$1200/person. This includes all in-country transportation, food, lodging, supplies for camp, and travel / medical insurance.

#### What will the schedule be like?

We'll arrive in Skopje on July 3, have a bit of time to recover from jet lag, and head to the camp location on July 5 to help set up for camp. Campers arrive on Monday, July 7, and camp runs through Friday, July 11. The U.S. team will lead workshops of all sorts in the morning (do you have special talents or skills? We'd love to get creative with our workshop offerings!), and help with games, activities, and camp events in the afternoon and evening each day. (We'll meet a couple times before the trip itself to plan some of the activities.) On July 11, campers leave by midafternoon, and we'll travel to the medieval city of Ohrid, about an hour away, for a two night stay. We'll head back to Skopje on July 13, and fly out the following morning.

## OK, I'm excited! What are the next steps?

- Pray about your involvement.
- Make sure you have a passport that is valid at least 6 months after our travel dates.
- Reach out to Meg Newton (<a href="mailto:meg.newton@trinitychurch.life">meg.newton@trinitychurch.life</a>) to express your interest, ask any questions, or join the team! The sign-up deadline is January 22, 2025.

## A map and a few photos from past NMK Camps:

