GMC of SC – Youth Peru Trip

🌎 Where are we going?

Lima, Peru and Tumbes, Peru



🙋 Who is going?

This trip is open to current high schoolers (must have completed 9th grade at time of trip) who are active in a Global Methodist Church in South Carolina.

💛 Why are we going?

The GMC of South Carolina has an international partnership with the GMC of Peru. This team will support existing GMC of Peru ministry opportunities among teens and children in the Tumbes and Lima communities through ESL programming, VBS/BackYard Bible Study experiences, Evangelism, Prayer, and Food Distribution. These projects and experiences are being facilitated by the local Global Methodist ministries and partners in the country.

📅 When are we going?

June 12th–20th, 2027

💵 What is the cost?

- Regular Registration (Nov. 5th - Dec. 5th) is $2,250.00 which requires a deposit of $250.00 (which is refundable until the application is reviewed and approved). Late Registration (Dec. 6th - Jan. 15th) is $2,750.00. Deposit amount and rules are the same.
- Other expenses not included are meals during travel (approximately 4 meals, please budget $50-$75); a passport valid for at least six months after the return date; a travel health consultation; and any required vaccinations or medications.
- Cost of Travel Documents - Passports and Processing Fees
- Review the CDC's current recommendations and requirements for Peru at Peru - Traveler view | Travelers' Health | CDC, and consult your doctor before receiving any vaccinations. Prisma Health and Passport Health offer travel health consultations. Schedule your consultation early because appointments and vaccination schedules may require additional time. Some vaccinations can be expensive, so please budget approximately $500. ***NOTE - This trip does not require any specific vaccinations!***

✨ What else do I need to know?

- Medical Considerations: Because there are risks involved in participating in any mission trip and healthcare facilities may be inadequate or nonexistent, a Physician Release Form is required for all team members. We cannot provide medical advice as it relates to vaccinations or prescriptions for travel. Team members may search for Peru on the Center for Diseases Control's website for a list of required vaccinations. Medical decisions should be made under the care of a medical professional. A link to upload the release form is on the application website, and this form is due 2 weeks prior to departure date.
- **If you have dietary or allergy concerns, please touch base with the Team Leader prior to applying**.
- What to Expect: While in Peru, participants and trip leaders will be lodged, while in Lima, at the Bishop's residence in "bunk style" accommodations separated by gender. While in Tumbes, our lodging will be hotel style where we will have 2 to 4 people per room based on group and gender.

📝 Application and Deposit

Each participant, adult and/or student, will be required to submit a GMCofSC Mission Trip Application and a Physicians Statement to attend this trip. The approval of each participant will be at the discretion of the Youth Collective Leadership, Missions Committee Leadership, and any other Conference Executive Leader if or when necessary. Payment and Application do not guarantee participation. Applications will be accepted when a person registers and pays their deposit. Their deposit is refundable while their application is being processed and reviewed. If the application is denied, the deposit will be refunded. Once an application is reviewed and approved, the deposit becomes non-refundable.

Application Deadline: December 1st
Deposit: $250

Please apply online on the GMC of SC Youth Collective website:
https://www.gmcofsc.org/youth-collective

✅ Once you are accepted

Each participant, once approved through the application process, will be required to submit additional required forms:

1. Medical Information Release Form

2. Participation Waiver
3. Media Consent and Release Form
4. Any additional forms as required by either the GMCofSC or the Peru Annual Conference.

💳 Payment Schedule

Payment 1: Non-Refundable Deposits ($250.00) due with application.

Payment 2: $250.00 is due by December 5th, 2026

Payment 3: $250.00 is due by January 5th, 2027

Payment 4: $300.00 is due by February 5th, 2027

Payment 5: $300.00 is due by March 5th, 2027

Payment 6: $300.00 is due by April 5th, 2027

Payment 7: Final Payment of $500.00 is due by May 5th, 2027 - ALL OUTSTANDING PAYMENTS ARE DUE BY MAY 1st!

Questions? Contact Rev. Mike Smith at msmith@covenantgreer.org