Spring Break Mission Week 2004

Appalachia Service Project, Jonesville, VA

This project explored poverty in Appalachia and service to the community through relationship, cultural understanding, spirituality, and hammer-and-nail.

Team Members: Sara Head** Amanda Robinson**
                Mike Hollway*  Matt Miller
                Laura Milligan Sarah Ottney
                Michelle Tomlin J.D. Winteregg

Habitat for Humanity, Collegiate Challenge

In what has become a national tradition, OWU students spent spring break “concretely” serving through relationships and construction in Miami, Florida.

Team Members: Ali Baxendale** Marian Homan**
                Kip Mentzer**  Yulia Strizheus**
                David Sturtz* Nick Barnes
                Amy Blinn Mikaela Ebitz
                Sally George Wes Goodman
                Matt Herring Brad Hoffeld
                Allison Jackson Ashley Lorko
                Eric Magnus Sarah Manor
                Wes Mosley Eugene Oteng
                Tiffany Priest Katie Reese

Morelia Home for Children: Morelia, Mexico

The Morelia team mission worked with orphaned children, hospital outreach, and the community of the children’s home. The team was guided by the organization’s purpose statement of demonstrating God’s love by meeting basic spiritual, emotional, physical, and educational needs.

Team Members: Nicole Cotton** Elizabeth Curseen+
                Kirsten Bergquist* Scott Gabriel*
                Lacey Babnik Carrie Christian
                Mary Beth Molnar Blaire Moody
                Komal Patel Amy Raksakul
                Katie Reif Hillary Zeune
                Jung Hyun Ryu

+ indicates a specific role such as leader, mentor, etc.
Poverty and Power: Peru

This team explored spiritual growth, self-respect, teamwork, responsibility, social justice, cultural integration, and leadership in a variety of unique settings in Peru.

Team Members: Taylor Dunham** Rebecca Gonzales+ Patricio Plazolles* Rosalind Scott*
Leigh Ammon Leia Corthell Katrina Debs Julie Evans Rachel Goodell Emily Laybourne Ellen Stedtefeld Sarah Yerian

Racial Reconciliation: Jackson, Mississippi

Through work with the John M. Perkins Foundation, a renowned racial reconciliation institution, this team delved into past and present issues associated with race in America.

Team Members: Stephanie Rummel* Terry Schulz** Jennifer Merrill* Barbara MacLeod
Elizabeth Dubois Khadija Garrison James Glanville Hillary Hughes Carolyn Pajestka Danielle Sampson

Building and Rebuilding: Lakota Nation, South Dakota

Rebuilding Lakota-Anglo relationships through conversation, reflection, and service, this team worked with Head Start, the senior center and met with spiritual elders and community leaders each night.

Team Members: Amanda Arango** Jasmine Jenkins+ Jon Powers* Kelly Adamson*
Carin Amos Emily Cashell Kumar Chheda Amy Kreps David Marshall Cheryl Napoli Thanh Nguyen Nga Nguyen Laura Nienaber

Homelessness, Power, and Privilege: Washington D.C.

The trip served the homeless and economically poor in our nation’s capital, engaged in an urban plunge, and discussed issues of brokenness of self, community, nation, and humanity. They worked with the McKenna Center: National Coalition for the Homeless.

Team Members: Dae Won Yang** Maggie Harvey+ Phil Mollenkof* Amanda Mook Hillary (Nianci) So
Wilderness Trek: Christian Leadership Training

This trip offered students the opportunity to challenge themselves in relationships with God, self, and others in creation, while developing faith and outdoor leadership skills.

Team Members:  
James Whitacre**  Kim Cullis**  
Sarah Marin**  Ryan Carlson*  
Mary Ruth Kamp*  Lauren Blyth  
Lauren Griffith  Ellie Harding  
Colin Kelly  Braden Kessler  
Grace Maina  Cassie Miller  
Curt Sykes  Kirin Syed

Two Communities of Faith: Saint ‘Egidio and Newman—Rome, Italy

This mission trip worked with the Saint ‘Egidio community to serve the homeless and help a food bank in Rome. The team members also explored the Catholic faith through staying in a convent, visiting the Vatican, and hearing the Pope speak.

Team Members:  
Carissa Lucas**  Justina Ludvik**  
David Sizemore*  Sally Sikorski*  
Nicole Kirchner  Karen Oldfield  
Meredith Richards  Allison Wood

*Advisor  
**Team Leader  
+Spiritual Guide