

THE GLENMARY FARM AT JOPPA MOUNTAIN

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Glenmary Group Volunteer Program General Information

Thank you for choosing to serve with the Glenmary Home Missioners. Here is some general information to help you with your time with The Glenmary Farm at Joppa Mountain.

Mountain Managers: Long-term volunteers known as Mountain Managers facilitate the Glenmary Volunteer Program in Tennessee. The long-term volunteers or Mountain Managers in conjunction with the Glenmary Volunteer Director and Assistant to the Glenmary Volunteer Director set up each day's schedule at the volunteer sites and act as catalysts between the community and the volunteers. During the service week there will be many staff meetings between chaperones and long-term volunteers. It is important that all problems are addressed during these meetings. Any issues that may hamper the service week and communication need to be addressed during these meetings. The long-term volunteers represent Glenmary and our programs in Union and Grainger counties. Please note you will be spending a good amount of time with the Glenmary Volunteer Director and Assistant to the Glenmary Volunteer Director as well during the week.

Volunteers with us can choose to serve, but oftentimes they can't choose how they will serve. For the volunteer program to work, volunteers must accept that they will serve those in need in the Tennessee mission areas as well as their fellow community of volunteers. The Glenmary Group Volunteer experience is fun, but volunteers must work hard and stretch themselves to reap the greater gifts that the experience has to offer. We ask volunteers to take off their watches and enjoy the week on God's time, to slow down from the hustle and bustle of their lives and enjoy the nature, people, service and the community of faith we hope they will find as participants in the volunteer program.

Every volunteer should bring about \$40 with them. The volunteers have opportunities to purchase T-Shirts, local crafts and to eat at a local restaurant.

Chaperones of groups that drive to the Tennessee site should budget money for gasoline for your vehicles during their week of service. Oftentimes, volunteer groups are asked to use their own vehicles to help transport volunteers to our sites.

Please make sure that all volunteers have insurance cards or other pertinent information with them when they arrive.

PLEASE, make sure to inform program staff or the volunteer director if any member of your group has specific allergies to food, environment or insects such as bees or wasps!

Absolutely no cigarettes, e-cigarettes, vapes, alcohol, or drugs are permitted at any Glenmary Group Volunteer Site.

Information sheet about the Glenmary Farm at Joppa Mountain

- 1. The physical address of the site is 1943 Joppa Mountain Road, Rutledge TN 37861. The site is located on Google Maps and Mapquest. If you need additional information or help with directions, please contact Joe Grosek @ jgrosek@glenmary.org
- 2. The mailing address of the Glenmary Farm at Joppa Mountain is P.O. Box 69, Rutledge TN 37861
- 3. The site is located on Joppa mountain, so be aware that the road is windy to get here. Also, please check the weather before arriving, when it snows, the Mountain can sometimes be the last to be plowed. Please call Joe Grosek at 606-202-3658 to check on Mountain Road conditions if concerns on travel.
- 4. Groups are to arrive between 3:00 6:00 PM Eastern on the first day but we understand if you arrive later due to driving distance. We will work around your arrival time.
- 5. Groups leave between 7:00 9:00 AM Eastern on the last day to allow time for driving home. We are open for a group to leave earlier (the current record is 2 AM!) if they need more time to drive home
- 6. The emergency contact number for the Glenmary Farm at Joppa Mountain is 606-202-3658; Joe Grosek's cell phone. There is a landline at the site = 865-828-3977
- 7. We ask that all forms and payment be mailed to Joe Grosek, Glenmary Volunteer Director, P.O. Box 69, Rutledge TN 37861 about a week before you come and serve. Any checks should be made out to the Glenmary Home Missioners for payment for the week.
- 8. In order to plan: we need the following: how many people are coming, the breakdown of sexes, and any injuries and/or allergies we need to be aware of for planning purposes.
- 9. Upon arrival, please park at the upper building, which has a large Ramp. Do not park at the buildings located on the lower part of the site.
- 10. There are two outside dogs on the Mountain, Belle and Beta. They are probably the friendliest dogs in the world as they see so many new faces and volunteers. They are outside dogs, so no worries if you are allergic to dogs.