

IMPS Spring Break “Grand Tour of Florida!”

March 2-10, 2012

Walt Disney’s *Magic Kingdom*, *Sea World* and *Universal Studios*, the beaches of the Florida Keys, an air boat ride in the Everglades, a boat cruise on the inter-coastal waterway near Miami, hospitality from an American family, and more! Over Penn State’s Spring Break holiday in March, *International Ministries at Penn State* will partner with *Above and Beyond* Ministries to sponsor a wonderful opportunity for Penn State international students, scholars, and families. *Above and Beyond* is a Christian organization, based in Boston, which specializes in providing long-distance bus trips for international students. We will be traveling on one of their special "sleeper" busses. This bus will enable us to sit along the sides and at tables while traveling short distances in Florida during the day. Then, while traveling at night from here to Florida and back, the bus is transformed into upper and lower platforms for sleeping. This allows everyone to have a regular night's sleep in a sleeping bag while the drivers take turns driving us through the night. (We stop periodically while on the bus for gasoline and to use the restrooms.)

Schedule

Fri., March 2 Leave PENN STATE at 4:00 PM - sleep on the bus

Sat., Mar. 3 Travel through Georgia and Florida; arrive in Fort Lauderdale, FL at 8:00 PM; stay with a host family

Sun., Mar. 4 Attend church and spend the afternoon relaxing at the beach with your host family

Mon., Mar. 5 Spend the day relaxing at John Pennekamp State Park in the beautiful Florida Keys, with the opportunity for swimming and (weather-permitting) a glass-bottom boat ride or snorkeling adventure. Evening with your host family again.

Tues., Mar. 6 Fort Lauderdale “Jungle Queen” Riverboat Tour; Everglades Air Boat Tour and Alligator and Wildlife Zoo; then drive to the Orlando area.

Wed., Mar. 7 Spend the day at WALT DISNEY WORLD (EPCOT with *World of Nations*, or MAGIC KINGDOM) or just relax by the hotel swimming pool!

Thurs., Mar. 8 Spend the day at WALT DISNEY WORLD (EPCOT with *World of Nations*, or MAGIC KINGDOM) or spend the day as you like.

Fri., Mar. 9 Spend the day at UNIVERSAL STUDIOS or SEA WORLD or just relaxing and shopping. At 7:00 pm leave Sea World/Universal Studios and begin driving north to State College.

Sat., Mar. 10 Arrive at PENN STATE at 5:00 PM, with Sunday to relax and prepare for the remainder of the semester!

The base cost for the “Grand Tour of Florida” is \$450 per person. (\$475 after February 17). The trip is limited to 30 participants. The cost for children ages 4-12 is \$355/child (\$37 after 2/17); ages 2-4 (\$180, \$200 after 2/17)

The base cost includes:

*all housing, including the three nights as guests of an American host family, two nights on the sleeper bus, and three nights at a hotel in Orlando with a continental breakfast

- *all transportation to and throughout Florida
- *an air boat ride on the Everglades, and visit to a Native American alligator and wildlife park
- *a coastal waterway boat tour in Ft Lauderdale
- *admission to John Pennekamp Coral Reef State Park

Your additional costs will include:

- *meals while traveling and sightseeing

Optional:

- *Snorkeling or glass-bottom boat ride at Key Largo (weather-permitting)
- *Walt Disney World EPCOT or MAGIC KINGDOM admission
(one fee of about \$80 includes all attractions for a day at one theme park)
- *SEA WORLD OR UNIVERSAL STUDIOS admission (one fee of about \$80 includes all attractions for a day at either park)

To reserve a place on the trip, print off, complete and sign the trip registration form below, and return it to Bill Saxton as soon as possible at 210A Eisenhower Chapel with cash or a check, payable to "Above & Beyond Ministries", for at least \$200 of the \$450.00 total payment (\$475.00 if registering and paying deposit after February 17, 2012). The remainder of payment is then due by Friday, Feb. 24, 2012.

It all is a wonderful package! Join us!

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IMPS Florida Spring Break '12 Trip Registration Form

Name: (Mr. Ms. Dr.) _____ Male/Female: _____
 (circle the proper title) (circle the name you would like to be called)
 Local Address _____ Office/Lab Address: _____
 Cell/Home Phone: _____ Office/Lab Phone: _____ Age: ____ Email: _____
 Are you: (check one) ___ Visiting Scholar ___ Grad Student (For PhD? ___Y/___N)
 ___ Humphrey/Fulbright Fellow ___ Intensive English (IECP) ___ Undergrad Student
 Major/Field of Specialization: _____ Home Country: _____
 In case of emergency, contact: _____ Phone: (____) _____
 List any medical issues, special needs, food restrictions, or other items of concern: _____

List any additional family members coming with student/scholar:

(Mr. Mrs. Miss) name _____ relationship: _____ age: _____
 (Mr. Mrs. Miss) name _____ relationship: _____ age: _____
 (Mr. Mrs. Miss) name _____ relationship: _____ age: _____

Please read and sign:

In consideration for being allowed to participate in this activity, I personally assume full responsibility for my actions (and of my accompanying family members), and release the staff and agents of *International Ministries at Penn State, Above and Beyond Ministries*, and associated organizations from responsibility for any loss, injury, or damage to myself, my family or my property, provided such persons shall act with reasonable care for the safety of me, my family and my property. Should any dispute or controversy arise, I agree to seek resolution according to Biblical principles through Christian Conciliation Services.

Signature: _____ Date: _____