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Attention: Youth Leaders/Pastors/Congregation Chairs
From: 2018 Bus Trip Planning Committee

Below is information regarding the:

2018 Bus Trip to CLAY **CLAY Gathering 2018, Thunder Bay, ON** **August 11- 15, 2018** **~ OPTION ONE ~**

"Let's travel to Thunder Bay from the east!"
Threading our way from Toronto

Our route: Travelers will fly to Toronto on Saturday, August 11 and check into assigned hotel. (Cost for hotel on Saturday night is not included). Leader meeting late Saturday evening. Sunday, August 12, is a day at Canada's Wonderland (admission cost included). On Monday morning, August 13 we'll spend a day exploring Niagara Falls, including a ride on a jet boat (online waiver to follow), and an indoor water park. On Tuesday, we'll travel to Sault Ste Marie, with a stop in Sudbury. On Wednesday, we'll travel to Thunder Bay by way of Terrace Bay, arriving at Lakehead University in Thunder Bay to register for CLAY 2018! This Bus Trip option offers an opportunity to travel around Lake Superior, taking in a good deal of southern Ontario. On the way back from Thunder Bay, we will have travelers from both Bus Trip options traveling together, and we'll be back from Thunder Bay to Winnipeg in one day (August 19), with a supper stop at Luther Village.

The total cost per person is \$460.00. This cost covers bus charters, shuttle from airport to hotel, accommodations on church floors, three breakfasts, one BBQ lunch, one bagged lunch and two dinners throughout our travels. As well as entry fees to Canada's Wonderland, Niagara Falls jet boating and Water Park. There will also be a stop at the Terry Fox monument east of Thunder Bay.

Additional Information:

- Sleeping gear will be needed for over-nights at churches along the way.
(Suggestion to get youth to combine bags for sleeping gear to save money on flight.)



- There will be access each day to a sufficient number of bathrooms; showers will be available most days but not Sunday
- Meals provided throughout the bus trip will be provided by host congregations, and fast food or food court eateries; please indicate dietary restrictions, where necessary, on registration so those can be accommodated. (NOTE: one breakfast two lunches and two suppers will be "on your own," so plan pocket money accordingly) meals on Sunday at Canada's Wonderland are not covered, (but included in numbers above)
- Youth Groups should plan their flight arriving into Toronto, ON, for August 11, 2018.
Note: Saturday August 11 you are on your own for activities and meals.
 We are booking a block of rooms at a hotel close to the airport. The hotel cost for Saturday night is not covered; (we will send booking info directly to registered leaders)
- We will send info about jet boating and the in-line waiver directly to leaders

Please be advised: Registration for the Gathering and accommodations are separate from this registration. Information can be found at www.claygathering.ca

Bus trip registration: Completed registration forms and a **\$50.00 deposit per youth and leader** (payable to MNO Synod) **are due by March 31, 2018.** Please also include a **post-dated cheque, dated July 1, 2018 (\$410.00 per youth & leader)**, which represents the balance paid in full. *(One cheque per congregation for the total is preferred; talk to your leader about payment. Deposits are not refundable after June 30 2018)* Send your completed registrations forms, the synod waiver form, the t-shirt order form, the deposit and a post dated cheque to: MNO Synod, 935 Nesbitt Bay, Winnipeg, MB, R3T 1W6

For more information, contact Lisa Van Dijk at splc-youth@live.ca

We look forward to the opportunity to come together once again, to worship and grow in our faith on this trip and at this Gathering. Happy Planning!

