



Jan 30 – Feb 2, 2020

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)

1. What is expected of participants during this trip?

Each SYNC group/participant is expected to fully engage and participate in all of the worship experiences and other opportunities throughout our time in Pigeon Forge. Participants should be “team players” that give 100%! A positive outlook, a cooperative spirit, a mature demeanor, and a sense of adventure are expected at all times. Come expecting God to do BIG things in your young adult ministry!

2. When is the expected arrival/departure time at SYNC?

Plan to arrive for registration in Pigeon Forge on Friday, between 3:00 – 7:00 p.m. Slightly earlier arrivals may be accommodated, but the window above is best. Our registration table will be near the far-right entrance of the Ramsey Hotel – not the main entrance. **Come to our Check-in Desk, not the Front Desk when you arrive.** We will meet you to assist your group once you arrive on the property. **Participants must be checked out of their hotel rooms by 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, February 3rd.** (Worship begins at 9:30 a.m., Sunday, so it is best if your group checks out prior to the worship service.)

****SYNC lanyards will be provided at registration and must be worn by all participants to gain entrance to SYNC worship services and events.***

3. Where will we be staying?

Participants will be staying at the Ramsey Hotel, Pigeon Forge. This hotel's ideal location puts all of Pigeon Forge in easy reach. Guests can use US-441 to get to and from Pigeon Forge, Sevierville and Gatlinburg, TN. SYNC guests can visit the famous Dollywood theme park or have a rip-roaring time at the Stampede. The Titanic Museum offers a glimpse into the most famous nautical disaster of all time. If the outdoors is your passion, The Great Smoky Mountains National Park is nearby. All SYNC events will take place on property at the Ramsey *accept the Saturday night After Party.*

4. What is the basic schedule?

Amazing worship experiences and fantastic speakers selected just for Young Adults will minister Friday and Saturday night and Sunday morning. Optional Saturday morning “Labs” with great presenters on topics of interest to college age students are always popular. Those interested can share in the ½ day Service Project at the Smoky Mountain Children’s Home or other service project options on Saturday, otherwise Saturday is a FREE DAY to explore Pigeon Forge, Gatlinburg, Sevierville!

5. How much money should participants bring?

The basic Participant Fee covers entrance to all three worship services, two free “After-Party” events and a few other “surprises”. Participants will be responsible for meals and transportation. Of course, each group is responsible for any attractions they visit while in Pigeon Forge.



6. What should we do once we reach Pigeon Forge?

Once your group reaches the Ramsey Hotel at Pigeon Forge, follow the signs leading to the SYNC registration table. *Do not check in at the hotel desk.* There will be a SYNC staff member present to give you your group’s lanyards and room keys. (Groups should bring any donations of Dishwasher Liquid (not powder) or Hair Brushes for the Smoky Mountain Children’s Home, collected for the Service Project, to the registration table.) If any balance of accounts is still owed, it will be settled at that time. Once you have Check-In your group at the SYNC Hospitality Table, you may find your rooms and enjoy some free time until pre-service begins at 7:45 p.m.

7. What about the “After-Party” events?

SYNC participants are invited to attend two “After-Party” events. Friday night, immediately following the service, SYNC will meet at the nearby IHOP Restaurant in Sevierville for fun, fellowship, and of course, FOOD! Saturday night, you are invited to enjoy great fun at the Pigeon Forge Community Center for pizza, basketball, Lip SYNC, volleyball, bowling and more! Both of these events are absolutely FREE for your group! For more information, please contact our office or ask a SYNC Staff Member upon your arrival. See the flyer for more details.

IHOP – 3636 Parkway, Pigeon Forge, TN

Pigeon Forge Community Center – 170 Community Center Drive, Pigeon Forge, TN

8. How can we be involved with the SYNC Service Project?

SYNC is giving back again this year and we hope you will be involved. We are offering at least two opportunities to bless the Smoky Mountain Children’s Home!

All participants are asked to bring a specific item (TBA) to SYNC so they can be given to the Smoky Mountain Children’s Home. (We donate items that they really!) Please bring your donations to the SYNC registration table for collection. The gifts will be presented to Dr. Walt Mauldin at the SMCH on Saturday at 11:00 a.m. Groups are invited and encouraged to participant in the delivery to the Children’s Home.

Groups are also invited to offer their services at the Smoky Mountain Children’s Home by serving and working on campus. This service project will begin at 11:00 a.m. and will conclude at approximately 2:00 p.m., giving you plenty of time to enjoy the sights and sounds of the city or mountains. SYNC is making a difference! (SYNC may have an additional Service Project to consider soon.)



THINGS TO DO

1. Pray for a safe and spiritually motivating event.
2. Make sure you are in tune with the Lord and yourself!
3. Carefully review the information in this FAQ prospectus.
4. Commit to making **SYNC Young Adult Retreat** all it can be, by giving it your best!
5. Determine that you will return home closer to God than ever before!

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