

J'aime Mon Voisin 2017

What is it?

It is a commitment to engaging in Cross-Cultural Discipleship with youth and young adults from Brampton (Bramalea Baptist and friends) as well as youth and young adults from Quebec (Eglise Baptiste Evangelique Terrebonne-Mascouche). Through our partnership we aim to grow in our relationship with Christ by "learning through doing". This means reaching out to our respective communities in practical ways by: serving others, improving our city through community projects; but most importantly, building strong relationships with those who DO know and those who DO NOT know Jesus, with the hope that we can act as a vehicle for His love.

This comes on the heels of a very successful week that we called "Across Queen 2016". This consisted of approximately thirty of our Brampton young people hosting our partner youth and young adults from Mascouche last summer (2016) as they helped us reach into our community through loving our city.

"J'aime Mon Voisin" translates to "Love My Neighbour" which is what EBETM is challenging their youth and young people to do practically. Our team will work together to make this a reality, all the while inspiring and encouraging young people to do see how the Holy Spirit can work through their lives.

When is it?

"J'aime Mon Voisin" is an initiative that requires commitment for the summer. We will be meeting as a team several times before the official kick-off date on August 9, when the team leaves for Mascouche. Being a part of the team necessitates a commitment to being part of the process; contributing to the team, helping to fund raise and committing to reaching out to Terrebonne-Mascouche during the week of August 9-16. We will also have a de-briefing time after the busy week as to reflect on the trip and to plan for the future.



Who is in charge?

There are three point people that you can contact for more information regarding "J'aime Mon Voisin" 2017. Dan Gibson is the Pastor of Youth and Young Adults and has been involved in this partnership from the beginning. Grace Siracusa is serving at BBC this summer as a Youth and Young Adult Ministries Intern and will be involved in planning our weekly schedule and the formation of the team. Tanikah Roberts is a committed youth leader and will be helping form the team and will act as a resource for new team members! We will be working with Sergei Li who is the Youth Pastor at EBETM and will be leading the week on behalf of their church.

How do I get involved?

Pray! Ask God to confirm that this is a good step for you in your faith-walk with Him. Then ask Dan, Grace or Tanikah for an application that you will complete and submit for consideration. There will be interviews held to complete the team. This is not meant to be an intimidating process- however!- the leadership team aims to ensure that each individual taking part in J-aime Mon Voisin will be discipled, and be comfortable in their role on the team.

Where do I stay?

When our team last visited in 2015, the males and females had separate sleeping arrangements on site at EBETM. The boys stayed in a fellowship space inside the church, where they have bathrooms and showers available, while the girls stayed across the parking lot at the church office, Maison Bleu, which also has bathrooms and showers available. These sleeping arrangements were fun and comfortable, but resemble more a camping experience than a hotel. Be prepared to sleep on camping mattresses!

What do we do?



We will be partnering with the people of EBETM to love their neighbours and share the Gospel through practical acts of love and conversation. Our students will be challenged to communicate despite the culture and language differences that they experience. We will be serving organizations and individuals that are found in the Terrebonne-Mascouche area.

We will also engage in the culture of French Canada, learning some of the history (especially church history) and the difficulties that the church faces in Quebec. We

will enjoy French-Canadian food, see some of the sights in T-M and Montreal, and will make lots of new friends.

We will also engage in a devotional series that will guide and supplement our experiences for the week. Every night we will debrief and talk about the successes, challenges and the ways that we saw God move in our day.

How much will it cost?

With team fundraising and support from within the church, we aim to keep the monetary cost at to a minimum for students. We will require two items of commitments from everyone (leaders and students) to be part of this experience. The first is a \$100 commitment that is essentially a deposit for your place on the team. Depending on fundraising, we hope that this can be returned, but that cannot be guaranteed. Secondly, we require that each team member commits to being available and engaged in team meetings, fundraising efforts and helps to spread awareness of this experience to family and friends.



Bramalea Baptist Youth/YA Discipleship- J'aime Mon Voisin '17
Participant Application

Personal Information

Name of Applicant:

Phone Numbers: (home) (cell)

Email:

Birth Date (dd/mm/yyyy):

Permanent Address:

Emergency Contact Information

Contact Name:

Phone Number:

Address:

Relationship:

Personal Health Assessment (evaluate your current state of health & physical stamina; list any health limitations, food or other allergies, daily supplements or requirements):

Application Information

1. Describe the ways you are currently serving in your local community.

2. Describe your relationship with authority figures.

3. Describe the ways you have been deepening your relationship with God over the past 6 months.

4. What personal gifts, talents and strengths are you using to serve others? Explain.

5. What experiences have you had in sharing kindness and compassion with people in your community or in other cultural contexts?

6. How do you plan on raising awareness and support for this educational experience?

7. Describe your faith journey.

8. When you are working with a group, what role do you usually assume within the team?

9. How do your family and close friends feel about you being involved on this team?

10. Have you been a part of this or any other Cross-Cultural Discipleship experiences before?
How will that affect your involvement in this trip (could be positive or negative experiences or expectations)?

11. What are your personal goals and expectations in engaging in this experience?

12. How do you see this experience having an effect on your future and future decisions?

13. Please list any personal concerns (physical/spiritual limitations) about your participation:

Thanks for completing this application! Please return it to Dan Gibson or Grace Siracusa as soon as possible. If you have any further questions, do not hesitate to ask! You can contact Dan Gibson at dgibson@bramalea.org.