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Valley Short-Term Mission Trip October, 2012

Project: Berber Community Development

- Construction project
- Women's crafts

Trip leader: Todd Green | 860.693.9057 | greent04@comcast.net

Hosts: Long-term workers: family with one teenaged girl at home

Ideal # needed: Five adults but also teens with their parents

Skills desired: Men: Construction; Women: Crafts

Lodging: Homestays with Berber village people - a true cross-cultural experience!

Food: Safe, local food and bottled water

Trip Expense: \$2,000 **Deposit:** \$100 (non-refundable) upon acceptance
Includes air fare, ground transport, lodging, food, insurance. Please ask for guidance in raising financial support if this need is anticipated. All trip payments are tax deductible.

Why this trip?

Do you want to share the Gospel where it never has been heard? This trip travels to a country that has the third lowest number of Christians in the world as a percent of its total population. Past trip participants have shared Jesus Christ with people whom they believe have never before heard of him, at least not as the Son of God.

Valley supports long-term workers serving in this country. It aims to plant churches in villages in a mountainous area about the size of Connecticut which is home to 500,000 Berbers. One village at a time, the workers are measuring openness to the Gospel. The projects our teams do help the workers gain entrance into the communities they are surveying.

In 2006, Todd Green and a group from Valley helped build a security wall around a school at the request of the village fathers. This project led to trust and friendship with these Muslims. Todd Green organized craft programs for village women. Afterwards, the Berber women invited the Christian women for tea. This was a first-ever indication of acceptance. In 2007, Todd led another team. They did similar projects and women's ministries. Relationships with village leaders were again deepened. In 2008, Todd Green's group built a school bathroom. The lone woman team member helped lead a quilting project. More tea was served! In 2009 through 2011, Todd led additional teams. The last trip had the most opportunities to do good works *and* share the message of Jesus. Each mission has built upon the previous trip to build the credibility of the Gospel in the eyes of these resistant people.

Application deadline: Sunday, August 19, 2012

Trip member orientation: Four to eight training hours at a time mutually acceptable to trip members.

Immunizations required: Tetanus/diphtheria; (Hepatitis A and B are recommended.)

Applications now being accepted. Available at the World Outreach desk or online at valleycommunity.cc

Interested? Contact Doug Christgau, dchristgau@valleycommunity.cc or trip leader Todd Green, greent04@comcast.net.

