

Travel and Set up Schedule Sat. June 28 – July 5 2025 E4K-- VT, IL, MI, NH and MA

Dear Team,

Heads up! These are a bit different this year. Please read the whole document through.

MEETING PLACE: 11 AM Arrive at Mullers home in Lyndonville. Everyone coming from NH, VT, IL or MA will be meeting at the home of the Mullers in Lyndonville, VT. **113 South Street, Lyndonville, VT 05851.** The Muller family lives one hour south of the border. We will pack vehicles and a trailer there. There's a nearby convenience store there and we can use bathrooms, etc, at their house.

Travelers from Illinois: Elena and Ryker Belh are already in upstate NY with their grandparents. They will be brought over by their grandparents on Sat morning **to Emma McMahon's house** in Essex Jct. [or another meeting place - please connect with each other] They can travel with the McMahons to Lyndonville. Olivia has contact info.

Travelers from MA: Schylie and Lydia from the Cape are meeting me at Sharon Knott's house on Friday night at 7 PM to pick up the 2 rental vans. Sharon will house us on Friday night, and we will leave from Merrimack on Sat morning about 8 AM.

Zwahlens from NH: Traui Zwahlen is driving our Toyota Venza and trailer, and he will pick up the Venza either Friday night from Sharon's or early Saturday morning.

Note: Traui is a good driver, but our church safety policy requires drivers age 21 or over, so our church mission policy states that that he can only drive his own family with their own parent's permission. Once we are in St. Georges, we have more vehicles so he probably will not drive during the week.

TRAVELERS FROM VT: Isobel, Aidyn, Emma, Elena, Rykker, Abigail need to organize rides to arrive Saturday morning at Lyndonville, no later than 11 AM at Mullers. Please coordinate with yourselves.

Mullers: Adara, Phoebe, Fiona and Henry will meet us at their home.

Note#2: If necessary, cars can be parked for the week at the Muller home safely. Leave keys with them.

Kayla from MI is actually in Maine and will meet us in St Georges, driving directly herself.

At the Muller's home, you can use the bathroom, pack your stuff in the car, check Border Id's. There is a convenience store a few blocks away for last-minute purchases if necessary, or stop on the way.

In Lyndonville:

- Take a group picture
- Put all suitcases in the vehicles, pack trailer and recover
- Give any keys to Mullers for cars staying in Lyndonville.
- Check everyone's ID and original copy of Notary form, gather in correct vehicle
- Separate the letter of invitations all correct ID's for each driver.

By 12 pm leave Mullers -- Driving through the border:

Here is the list of riders for the two cars. Because of Notary Permission ID info, I am not accepting changes to this list. You need to know who you will ride with in order to fill out your Notary form. This is a one hour drive through the Border to Stanstead at Tim Hortons, where we can re-arrange seats.

Rental Van #1

Olivia Durham, driver

Fiona Muller

Isobel Joy

Aidyn Joy

Henry Muller

Phoebe Muller

Abigail Bair

Rental Van #2

Schylie LaBelle, driver

Lydia Johnson

Emma McMahon

Adara O'Neil

Elena Belh

Ryker Belh

Dominic Zwahlen

Kayla S coming directly to QC in her car

Traui Z. in Venza with trailer

Jonas Zwahlen

Evalena Zwahlen

Travel itinerary, God Willing:

1 PM stop at Exit 28 Derby to gas up - easy pull through for Trailer.

Cross through border - remember to say we are going to a church youth meeting in Beauce

1:30 p.m. Tim Hortons Restaurant 7 Chemin Fairfax Stanstead, QC J0B 3E0 - you will buy your lunch there. Bring a debit/credit card or US cash is ok in Stanstead..

2:30 p.m. back on highway and follow QC 143 to QC 108 to ECRB

Address: 470, 27e Rue Ouest St-Georges de Beauce, Québec G5Y 4J9

STORNOWAY has a good place to stop mid journey with a tiny park and public toilets.

5:00 estimated arrival 4:30-5:00 p.m. Kayla will meet us HERE at St Georges Church.

Music for our trip:

A note about Travel / Hanging out music during our mission trip: Folks, I am going to ask that in the vehicles and in the camp in general we keep to Christian, folk, or classical music. This is not because I think all secular music is of the devil. But we are on a special trip serving the Lord. We have one week of the year to spend together. I just do not want Taylor Swift, the Rolling Stones, the Beatles or Carrie Underwood crooning in my brain or yours. I am not against love songs, but love is the main subject of pop music, and we don't really need to be focusing on that on this trip, not romantic love, anyway. Plus, some families have different rules about music so this will keep us in the zone for everyone. This can be a big deal for some; I know that music is fun and lots of this music is not inappropriate or evil; it's a matter of appropriate place and time and motive. I have my favorites too. But let's just leave secular music at home, and **Yes that's just a decision I have made for all of us.** It's easier to warn you in advance. Gotta love me! 😊

Arrival at St George ECRB church:

- Set apart bags to lodgings of those living away from church.

** Olivia Collect IDs of all minors and store**

6-8:30 Dinner at St Georges. One short meeting? Introductions. Walk downtown and look around, return by 8:00

8:30 Arrive at hosts homes and settle in. Try to get rest because Sunday is a long day.

Sunday 29 June - general plan of day

7:30 AM	arrive at church for breakfast. Eat and help with clean up.
8:15 - 10	singing and time of prayer, then orientation
10:15	worship service ECRB
11: 45- lunch	visit and greet people after church
Lunch	in fellowship hall with ECRB crew,
Set up	See Set up list , all prep for Monday.
3:30 p.m. approx.	first skit practice
Dinner	approx. 6 p.m.
	All help clean up and tidy building for the next day
After dinner	go to lodging, get rest for next day!

RETURN PICKUP Plans:

RETURN SCHEDULE

This year we are not going to Quebec City on Saturday - we will try to go every other year.

I would like to Leave by 9:30 AM from St Georges.

You will need to buy one meal while traveling home - save some US money for that. Your meal, one ice cream purchase during the week and any souvenirs come from your own money.

- Schylie, Lydia and Olivia will stop for Saturday dinner somewhere as well.

We should be arriving at Lyndonville between 2 and 3 PM - we can text to update as we travel. Families should arrange to pick up teens there.

** Parents, my experience is that teens are very tired after our strenuous mission trip. I suggest strongly that we have fresh drivers meet us in Lyndonville at the Mullers to reach final destinations safely. The Mullers have also have plenty of space for teens to sleep over in their large Victorian house, if you want to pick them up on Sunday. Drivers under 21 should not drive team members who are not their own family members, as per our church policy.

- Goodbyes! After unpacking, Olivia will be driving back to Merrimack to return the two vans with Schylie and Lydia. We should arrive at Merrimack about 7 PM.
- The Zwahlens need to arrange for the Venza to get back to Sharon Knott's house on Saturday night so that Olivia has something to drive after returning the rental van.

A final concern is the following from Conference's Guidelines for Volunteers and Caregivers. There should never be only one adult serving as a caregiver. This is often difficult when arranging transportation. It is best for the safety of everyone involved that there are two unrelated adults be traveling together (in the same vehicle or vehicles traveling together) when officially transporting children on behalf of our ministries. So, let's try to stick together as much as possible!