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As one short-termer wrapped it up:

So thankful for the opportunity. I grew in my personal walk with the Lord, had sweet fellowship with brothers and sisters in Christ, and grew in my heart for the lost. God is good and He is faithful.

2019 Summer Short-Term Missions Survey: A Sampling of Results

- 43.5% of short-termers responded to the survey
- 51% had served on the same STM field previously
- 56.7% follow short-term missions via the S.T.O.R.M. Report
- 98.98% rated their experience as positive or very positive
- 40.2% were scheduled to present a report on their trip to their church
- 83.5% found the cost of the trip "just right"
- 91.6% did not find it difficult to raise funds for the trip
- 34.7% had some or all expenses paid out of their church, missions, or youth budget

Some answers to the question: "What would you say to someone who is thinking about serving on this field?"

Boardwalk Chapel - Ministry Teams (church groups serving for a week):

- *Team Leader: I have witnessed in my team significant growth and fruit in the form of boldness, a hunger for spiritual activities, maturity, and fellowship.*

Czech Republic - English Camp:

- *It takes a lot of prep, but the English Camp week is a unique and wonderful opportunity to get to know unbelievers and to share the gospel in detail.*

Quebec - English for Kids Bible Camps:

- *This is a great opportunity to serve unreached children and families in Quebec City -- so close to home but different in culture.*

Uganda:

- *Be OK with not having access to the luxuries of USA life. There is a lot of work to be done and your help is needed.*

Zoar, Wisconsin - Menominee Missions:

- *Be willing to go with the flow and get on the kids' level. Leave behind any cultural preconceptions and be open-minded to what you may learn from the people on the reservation.*

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