



## **HOST A TEEN FROM SPAIN**

**“Bring missions into your own home”**

# What is Young Life USA Camp?

Young Life USA Camp is a 3½ week program offered to **a group of 10-15 teens** (15-18 years old) **from Spain accompanied by 2-3 adult leaders.** They will be living with a family for 2½ weeks and spend a week at Young Life camp.

The dates are: **July 1 - 24, 2023**

Families would host one teen from **July 1 to 9 and July 16 to 24**

The student will be at YL Camp **from July 11-16**



# What are the requirements in order to be a host family?

In order of priority:

To guarantee that the **mother or father will be at home** during the day with the student in order to provide him/her with the best experience

To have **a teenager living in the home** so they can relate to one another and build a friendship  
– **not required, but highly recommended**

To **live relatively close to the rest of the host families** so transportation and weekly group activities will be easier to coordinate

To be willing to **“adopt” the student as a part of the family** and keep developing this relationship during the year



# Why is this an opportunity for my family?

This program is an **opportunity for “the mission field to come to your own home.”** We see this program as an opportunity for Christians in America to open their homes to a teen from a foreign culture, so they might experience first-hand the amazing, unconditional love of Christ.



# What are the host family responsibilities?

**Food and housing-** Provide good food, a comfortable home, and bed

**Transportation-** Families will need to provide transportation to a meeting point for activities and are welcome to stay and participate in all activities. Carpooling can be arranged with other hosts families.

## Laundry

**Good care and a loving atmosphere:** We would like you to involve the student in your normal family life while you also integrate this new important guest into your home and family.

**Communication with home-** Provide the possibility to use the internet to communicate with their family



# What will the program be like during the student's stay?

**Welcome Party** upon their arrival from the airport at the designated location.

**Organized activities** for the entire group will be offered 1-2 times per week for teens and host families' teens:

Possible organized activities: Sports game, Community Service Project, water park, sports, tourism, shopping, downtown visit, etc.



Inclusion of Spanish teenager in host family's normal summer activities. The idea of being "adopted" for the 2½ weeks.

Intentionally engaging your student in **conversations to practice English**

**Farewell party** with students, leaders, and families during the last week

# What are the expenses involved?

We ask the host families to cover all the costs related with having a student in their home for 2 ½ weeks. **Basically food and housing.**

**All the activities organized as a group will be covered by each student** (Activities, program, fast food restaurant, amusement park, etc.)

If you do a family activity (going to a restaurant, the movies, etc.) with your student, the family would please cover it.

Please understand that you **don't have to “entertain” your student providing several activities during the week.** The ideal situation would be that the student be a part of normal family life.



# Is there going to be any training?

Families are required to attend a training/orientation session. This session will help participating host families to understand some of the cultural differences between Catalunya, Spain and the United States. Learning how to relate to teens from a different background and culture is of vital importance for the success of the YL USA Camp program.

**This training session will be held in May.** We will determine if it will be by zoom or host families will meet together and Jonathan Banegas and Gabe Rendon in Spain, will connect with them for the training. In this session, the group of host families will brainstorm a list of activities to do with the students as well.



# When will I need to make a final decision to be a host family?

**MARCH 1st, 2023**





***We are looking forward to seeing  
how God will change lives this  
summer!***

**Thank you for your willingness to  
consider serving!**