**LightShine Packing List**

**General Info:**

* Weather in Alaska can range from 20° to 80° depending on where you are serving between the months of May – July.
* Always check the weather in the area you are serving leading up to your departure and include weather/packing in one of your 30 day countdowns.
* Early May teams will typically be below freezing in the morning and up to the 50s by the afternoon.
* Pre-treating clothes with Permethrin before packing them will help to repel mosquitos. You can buy it at Walmart, Bass Pro, Cabela’s. Many outdoor enthusiast recommend it. Just follow the instructions on the bottle.
1. Helpful reminders for packing.
	1. Allowed one carry-on and one checked bag. LightShine will cover the cost of a checked bag/ person.
	2. Checked bag cannot weigh more than 50 lbs.
		1. Don’t pack full if you want to bring home souvenirs, sweatshirts, etc.
	3. Carry-on Bag – check with your airline to see what their size regulations are for carry-on bags
	4. Please wear your LightShine Team Shirts while traveling. Where comfortable shoes for traveling/walking in airports.
2. What to pack:
* Make sure you have your **REAL ID driver’s license or Passport. VERY IMPORTANT!**
* **Credit card/debit card and your health insurance card –** leave all of your others cards at home.
* **It’s best to pack with layers in mind –** a sweatshirt, flannel shirt, some t-shirts – short and long sleeve. You can wear the same shirts/jeans multiple days
* **Sleeping Bag, blanket, or flannel sheet sheets.**
* **Work Boots** – water resistant/water proof is highly recommended
* ***For Boots*** *–* ***If you need to buy boots for this trip – please do it now and wear them as much as possible between now and the trip. DO not wear brand new boots or you will get blisters and you will be miserable for the week.***
* **2-3 pairs of Jeans** – one nice pair for traveling and attending church and 1-2 for work
* **A set of nicer clothing** – (nice meaning a pair of jeans and nice shirt) for attending church/traveling
* **Underwear** – regular and maybe thermal/insulated if you don’t like the cold (it will be 30s at night)
* **Warm socks** – anything non-cotton
* **Knit hat, gloves, warm clothes to sleep in (sweatpants, sweatshirt)**
* **Raingear** – rain jacket & pants –you will be glad to have them if you need them
* **Jacket/sweatshirt** – layering is important and a hooded sweatshirt is good idea
* **T-Shirts - long sleeve shirt–** a couple of regular t-shirts, a couple of long sleeve t-shirts and a flannel shirt – shouldn’t need more than 5 shirts
* **Toiletries –** toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, deodorant, shampoo, vitamins, prescription medications, Tylenol, contact solution, towel, washcloth, and a pack of baby wipes or moist towelettes are always a good thing to have between showers
* **Trash bag –** good for putting in dirty laundry (if staying at the base – you can laundry so you don’t need to pack as much.
* **Hat –** if you mind the sun, you want to bring a baseball hat
* **Personal Money –** for souvenirs, drinks and snacks along the way
* **Bible –** we will have devotions every morning and studying the Bible together
* **Camera – (optional)** with an extra memory card and a portable charger if you have one.
* **Binoculars –** it’s up to you if you would like to bring a pair
* **Journal –** if you are into journaling It’s nice to record your thoughts and adventures throughout the week
* **Personal Food –** granola bars, protein bars, candy bars, snacks. You don’t need to bring enough for the whole week – we will be shopping for our food when we land in Anchorage but the bars are nice to have when flying and they are much cheaper to purchase them here than in the airports or on the plane.
* **Water Bottle –** remember to drink a lot of water. The air is dry in Alaska and you can become dehydrated very quickly. Make sure your water bottle is EMPTY while going through security at the airport. They will take it from you if it’s not.
* **Sunglasses**
* **Addresses –** pre-printed address labels work great for sending postcards to your supporters
* **Cell Phone –** Remember to bring your charger

**Packing Your Carry-On – Must Haves**

* **REAL ID Driver’s License or current Passport–** you will need this at the airport
* **Your bible or something to read**
* **Snacks**
* **One change of clothes in case your luggage goes astray**
* **Medications**
* **Sunglasses**
* **Ear plugs are nice to have if you want to sleep on the plane**
* **If you are taking any liquids or gels on the plane – you are limited to 3oz each in a clear 1 quart size Ziploc bag. Only one bag is allowed**
* **Your carry-on bag cannot be larger than 45”. To get that measurement – take the length, plus the width plus the depth – that will give you your total inches**

**Fly-in Team Packing List – Gambell, Pedro Bay, other:**

* **Team members will be limited to 25 lbs or less for luggage based on the number of team members, weight of the tools, food, supplies, and each team members weight.**
	+ **Pack in smaller back packs and soft carry-ons. The smaller/soft sided bags are easier to stuff into the small plane compartments.**
	+ **Remember ear plugs –the smaller planes are much louder.**
	+ **Ask your team leader if there is laundry available at your host location. You will wear the same clothes every day so you can pack light but pack smart and pack in layers.**