Dear

This summer, I will be participating in a week long service trip.

July 24th, I will be heading to Pine Ridge, South Dakota for a week of working on homes and serving the community in anyway they need.

I am going with Yardley United Methodist Church and we are partnering with Next Step Ministries. Next Step Ministries believes in service work that comes alongside of residents to meet their real life, daily needs. There is a Next Step employee that lives in Pine Ridge year round and works in the community. We have confidence that the work we are doing while on this trip will contribute to the betterment of the individual and the community.

I am also going on this trip to learn. While I am in South Dakota, I will learn about the deep culture of the Lakota Tribe. I will have opportunities to learn their stories, get to know the community on a personal level and see the places God is working.

I have no doubt this will be a life changing experience for me.

The total cost for this week of service and learning is $1,000. I am working hard to   
fund-raise this money by participating in fund-raisers with the church.

I am writing you to invite you to be part of my service week. If you are able to give your financial support, it would make this service week possible.

Any amount of support gets me closer to my goal.

In gratitude for your support, I will be sure to keep you up to date with my progress and share my experiences throughout the week.

I would love to talk to you more about this. Please don’t hesitate to reach out to me.

You can donate to my service trip in the following ways:

* Send your support to me directly
* Send a check to the church with my name in the memo  
  Yardley UMC   
  300 Langhorne Yardley Rd   
  Yardley Pa 19067
* Go to [www.yardleyumc.org](http://www.yardleyumc.org) , click on the “Give” button and give in my name
* Go to Yardley UMC’s Venmo @YardleyUMC (last 4 numbers are 6054)

If you are not able to give at this time, I would appreciate your prayers as I step out in this adventure. I know this will make a difference in my life and I am thankful for your support.

*With gratitude,*