

NEW GENERATION SINGERS

LIFT YOUR EYES

NORTHWEST
TOUR

2026



NEW G TOUR 2026

itinerary

United States

- July 18th - Ogallala, Nebraska
- July 19th - Laramie, Wyoming
- July 20th - Billings, Montana
- July 21st - Kalispell, Montana
- July 22nd - Glacier National Park



Canada

- July 23rd - Calgary, Alberta
- July 24th - Banff National Park
- July 25th - Columbia Ice Fields, Alberta
- July 26th - Golden, British Columbia

United States

- July 26th - Bonners Ferry, Idaho
- July 27th - Helena, Montana
- July 28th - Missoula, Montana
- July 29th - Great Falls, Montana
- July 30th - Glendive, Montana
- July 31st - Huron, South Dakota
- August 1st - St. Joseph, Missouri



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Jeffery Bradford
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Josiah Brushwood
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Zoe Bryant
Mac Carlson
Lilly Carter
Gavin Cook
Christopher Cronk
Zachary Decker
Chloe DeBee
Emalynn DeBee
Dylan Marmaud
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Joseph and Emily Howell
Bemo and Carol Myers
Matt and Renee Paden
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Sam and Ashley Porter
Mike and Dee Vestal



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Tour Work Crews

Suitcases

Sponsor: Matt Paden

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Coolers

Sponsor: Sam Porter

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Zamuel Brushwood
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Dylan Marmaud
Eden Allen
Blake Schweder



Lost and Found

Sponsor: Carol Myers

Luke Oswald
Chloe Debee
Gwen Oswald
Aly Reinart

Recon

Sponsor: Bemo Myers

Ethan High
Sophie Mendenhall
Mac Carlson
Ryder Mattox
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Costumes

Sponsor: Cailey Carlson

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Lilly Carter
Stella Windmeyer
Kristen Schaeffer
Charley Tipton

Bus Draw

Sponsor: Emily Howell

& Joseph Howell
Parker VonFischbach
Ethan High



First Aid

Sponsor: Emily Howell

& Renee Paden
Kendra Paden

Tour Bank

Sponsor: Dee Vestal

Expanded Itinerary



Day and Date	Destination	Performance Information	Miles
Day 1 Saturday 7/18	From: St Joseph, MO To: Ogallala, NE Drive Time: 6:15 (gain an hour)	UMC, Ogallala 421 N Spruce Ogallala, NE 69153 Tour T-shirt Sing @ 7pm	419
Day 2 Sunday 7/19	From: Ogallala, NE To: Laramie, WY Drive Time: 3:30	UMC, Ogallala (See info above) Sing @ 9am First UMC 1215 Gibbon Laramie, WY 82070 Sing @ 7pm	218
Day 3 Monday 7/20	From: Laramie, WY To: Billings, MT Drive Time: 6:15	St. John's United SJU - Mission Ridge 3840 Rimrock Rd Billings, MT 59102 Skittles Shirt Sing @ 6pm	425
Day 4 Tuesday 7/21	From: Billings, MT To: Kalispell, MT Drive Time: 7:00	Fun Day!	412
Day 5 Wednesday 7/22	From: Kalispell, MT To: Calgary, AB Drive Time: 5:45	Road to the Sun	264
Day 6 Thursday 7/23	From: Calgary, AB To: Edmonton, AB Drive Time: 3:15	Alberta Children's Hospital Calgary, AB / Sing @ 11am Lighthouse 11425 St Alberta Trail NW Edmonton, BC T5M 2V4 Sing @ 6:30pm	191

Day and Date	Destination	Performance Information	Miles
Day 7 Friday 7/24	From: Edmonton, AB To: Golden, BC Drive Time: 5:30	Lake Louise, AB (Banff Nat. Park)	348
Day 8 Saturday 7/25	Golden, BC Drive Time: 5:00	Columbia Ice Fields	260
Day 9 Sunday 7/26	From: Golden, BC To: Bonner's Ferry, ID Drive Time: 4:25 (gain an hour)	Trinity Lutheran Church 909 9th Street S Golden, BC Canada VOA 1H0 Sing @ 10:30am Trinity Lutheran Church 6784 Cody Street Bonner's Faerry, ID 83805 Sing @ 7pm	239
Day 10 Monday 7/27	From: Bonners Ferry, ID To: Helena, MT Drive Time: 5:30 (lose an hour)	St. Paul's UMC 80 East Lawrence Helena, MT 59601 Sing @ 7pm	325
Day 11 Tuesday 7/28	From: Helena, MT To: Missoula, MT Drive Time: 2:00	Water Rafting!	113
Day 12 Wednesday 7/29	From: Missoula, MT To: Great Falls, MT Drive Time: 3:00	Our Savior's Lutheran Church 1326 1st Ave North Great Falls, MT 59401 Sing @ 7pm	165

Day and Date	Destination	Performance Information	Miles
Day 13 Thursday 7/30	From: Great Falls, MT To: Glendive, MT Drive Time: 6:00	Makoshika State Park 1301 Snyder Street Glendive, MT 59330 Skittles shirt Sing @ 7pm	350
Day 14 Friday 7/31	From: Glendive, MT To: Huron, SD Drive Time: 7:15 (lose an hour)	Salvation Army 237 Illinois Ave SW Huron, SD 57350 Sing @ 7pm	483
Day 15 Saturday 8/01	From: Sioux Falls, SD To: St Joseph, MO Drive Time: 6:30	HOMECOMING Missouri Theater 717 Edmond St Joseph, MO 64501 Sing @ 7pm	431

DRESS UP DAYS FOR TOUR

7/19  - WESTERN DAY

7/21  - TWIN DAY

7/25  - RED DAY
(CANADA)

7/27  - USA DAY

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Day 1: Ogallala, Nebraska



Hey everyone! I hope you're all getting excited because our first stop on tour is Ogallala, Nebraska!

Now, Ogallala might be a small town, but don't let its size fool you—it has one of the wildest histories in the West. Founded in the 1860s along the Union Pacific Railroad, Ogallala became one of the greatest cattle towns of the American frontier. Cowboys from Texas drove thousands of longhorn cattle hundreds of miles up the Texas Trail, where they were loaded onto trains and shipped across the country. At one point, Ogallala was nicknamed the “Cowboy Capital” because it was known for rowdy saloons, bustling streets, and more cowboy hats than you could probably count.

Today, Ogallala is known less for cattle drives and more for its welcoming community, beautiful scenery, and its location near the gorgeous Lake McConaughy, nicknamed “Lake Mac” by the locals, which is Nebraska’s largest reservoir. Whether you're there for the history, the lake, or the people, it's easy to see why so many visitors fall in love with this town.

For many of us, Ogallala is more than just another stop on tour. New G had the opportunity to visit this community during our Enjoy Tour two years ago, and it was easily one of the highlights of the trip. Ogallala made us feel right at home with its warm, welcoming community. After visiting this unforgettable town before, I'm sure we can all agree that there's truly no place like Ogallala, Nebraska.



Gwen Oswald

Day 2: Laramie, Wyoming



Welcome to Laramie, Wyoming! The city of Laramie is located toward the southeast corner of the state and sits at an elevation of about 7,200ft. The city's name derives from a French explorer who was credited with first exploring the area around 1820. Laramie is known for being the home of the University of Wyoming, and for its nickname "The Gem City of the Plains." It gained that nickname for being one of the first cities in the Rocky Mountain region to build an electrical power plant. The plant lit up the city at night, making it look like a glittering gem. Laramie, Wyoming, has a rich western and railroad history as well, serving as the Union Pacific Railroad's western hub before the first transcontinental railroad was completed. The city's Territorial Prison is recognized today for being the only prison to hold famous outlaw, Butch Cassidy, who was incarcerated there for horse theft.

Laramie is also known for establishing a role in women's history. Laramie resident, Louisa Swain, was the first woman to vote in a general election in the state of Wyoming. Every year, the city celebrates Louisa Swain Day on September 6th to honor the day she cast the first female vote in 1870 after voting rights became fully equal for men and women in Wyoming. During that same year, Martha Symons Boies was the first woman in the United States to be appointed as a court bailiff and six women were appointed to serve on a grand jury, making them the nation's first female jurors. This marked the first time in history that women were given the opportunity to serve their community in such a manner.

The city of Laramie offers a unique blend of college town culture, endless outdoor recreation opportunities, and western history. The community has a growing arts scene, many locally owned restaurants and shops, and historic downtown buildings that draw in visitors from all over the country!



Kristen Schaeffer

Day 3: Billings, Montana



**The Magic City they call it,
Billings Montana is the largest city in Montana
known for being the medical hub in the state.**

**Beginning with a boom in 1882 with its railroad
systems, the city is framed with huge rocks in
the skyline called the Rimrocks, as well as many
national parks and the Yellow Stone river running
right through.**

**Now we might be only singing here in Billings but
that doesn't mean we aren't going to take in the
wonderful views from the bus windows.**

**This town is great for hiking and access into the
Yellowstone national park for a wonderful
wilderness getaway.**



Blake Schweder

Day 4: Kalispell, Montana



Hey everyone! Today we embark on a wondrous journey to a beautiful town in northwest Montana. I know you can't contain your excitement right now and are dying to know where we are headed so I won't make you wait any longer, let me kaliSPELL it out for you...

KALISPELL, MONTANA!!

This town of roughly 30,000 people is tucked away in Montana's Flathead Valley, surrounded by towering peaks, crystal clear lakes, and a lot of trees. Often times people call Kalispell "the gateway to Glacier National Park." Which means we are bound to have some incredible views while we are in this incredible city.

Now, brace yourselves, another well known fact about this city is that sometimes the scenery can be dangerous. Legend has it that the jaw dropping mountain views have cast a kaliSPELL on people making them never want to leave this wonderful city.

And you know, speaking of phenomenal scenery, one of Kalispell's greatest claims to fame is nearby Flathead Lake. Stretching nearly 28 miles from north to south and covering almost 200 square miles, it's the largest natural freshwater lake west of the Mississippi River. Thanks to the snowmelt flowing down from the surrounding mountains, the lake is famous for its remarkably clear, blueish green water.

So As we continue into Day 4 of this once in a lifetime adventure, I think it's safe to say we're in for something special. I have a feeling this is going to be one of those days that, years from now, we'll all look at each other and say, "Remember when we went to Kalispell, Montana?" And we'll all smile, because we got to experience it together. And you know what? If that doesn't get you fired up, I don't know what will! So let's crank up the excitement, soak in every second, make a few more unforgettable memories with this amazing group of people, and give Kalispell the welcome it deserves. Can I get a...

KALISPELLLLLLL... YEAHHHHHHHHH!!!



Luke Oswald

Day 5: Glacier National Park



Hello, New G, and welcome to Glacier National Park! This beautiful national park features countless natural landmarks, including melting glaciers, valleys, lakes, meadows, and more. A perfect destination for adventurous travelers, over 700 miles of trails crisscross the area, showcasing the numerous plant and animal life. This land is rich in history, culture, and nature.

Evidence suggests that natives first wound up in the area just over 10,000 years ago. When the first Europeans arrived, many native tribes inhabited the area, including Blackfeet, Salish, and Kootenai. Most early Europeans came to Glacier to hunt beaver pelts and, later, to mine the land. With the completion of the railroad came homesteaders and settlers from the East. Leaders began pushing for the area to become a National Park, and in 1910, President Taft named Glacier the 10th National Park.

Today, visitors can find a variety of activities in Glacier that showcase the land's scenery. As I already said, over 700 miles of trails are found in the park alone, varying in difficulty. There's a multitude of water activities offered in the lakes and rivers of Glacier, ranging from canoeing to white water rafting, which we'll do later on this tour. What may be the most well known tourist attraction is the "Road to the Sun" red bus tour, which we'll also be taking.

New G has had a history of coming through this area, and many say that the scenery found here makes the northwest direction their favorite tour to travel on. They last came to Glacier in 2022 on a shorter version of the tour we're taking now.

Lastly, I'll leave you with a few fun facts.

- There are 762 lakes in Glacier National Park
- Parts of "The Shining" were filmed here
- Only 10 fatal bear attacks have been recorded in Glacier since 1967, so fear not - you probably won't be eaten by a bear while you're here.

Have a great day in Glacier National Park, New G!



Sophie Mendenhall

Day 6: Calgary, Alberta



Hey New G! Today we are headed to Calgary, Alberta, an area that is known as the sunniest major city in Canada! Calgary sits in the foothills of the Canadian Rockies, and gives you the chance to explore them at locations like Banff Nation Park.

This area also has the youngest population out of all the other major city's of only 37 years, and to this day there population is booming with 1.6 million people. Instead of a normal welcome to celebrities and royals like other cities, Calgary loves to respect them and give them a white cowboy hat for wanting to enter their city.

Calgary also gives you the chance to explore their beautiful city from 15 feet above the ground stretching 10 miles through their city on the Skywalk. So guys I hope you enjoy this "Blue Sky City" as much as everybody else does!



Kendra Paden



BANFF.. BANFF

Hello everyone and welcome to the main destination of this tour, we have made it to CANADAAAA. Banff was established in 1885 as Canadas first national park, and boasts itself as the highest point in all of Canada. BANFF. Some things people like to do on banff is hiking, skeeing, and chillin at the BANFF springs. BANFF.

Someone take a guess at what BANFF is called! It's the "castle of the Rockies" and truly holds up to the name. BANFF. While banff is a national park it's also a town with approximately 8000 permanent residents, but the daily population is above 40,000. BANFF. And finally to confirm a question I've heard a lot this tour, yes there is a McDonald's!! BANFF. So Today Let's have some fun in BANFF Canada!!



Day 8: Columbia Ice Fields



I hope you packed your jacket because today we're heading to the Columbia Icefield! This isn't exactly flip-flop weather.

The Columbia Icefield is one of the largest accumulations of ice in the Canadian Rockies, feeding eight major glaciers and stretching across the border of Banff and Jasper National Parks. It's also known as the 'hydrological apex of North America,' because water melting from the ice eventually flows into three different oceans—the Atlantic, Pacific, and Arctic.

Even in the middle of July, the average temperature is only about 48°F (9°C), while the yearly average hovers around 28°F (-2°C).

Here's a cool fun fact! Parts of the icefield are hundreds of feet thick, and some of the ice you'll see today fell as snow long before the pyramids of Egypt were built.

And don't worry if you hear a few creaks or groans coming from the glacier. That's just the ice slowly moving downhill—glaciers are like nature's slowest conveyor belts, creeping along just a few inches to a few feet each day.

So bundle up, charge your cameras, and get ready to stand on ice that's older than recorded history.



Chloe DeBee

Day 9: Bonners Ferry, Idaho



Hello, New G, and welcome to day 9 of the Lift Your Eyes tour! Today we're visiting Bonner's Ferry in the very North East corner of Idaho. The 2.5 square mile town is the largest in its county with a population of around 2,520 residents. Founded by Edward Bonner, this town was originally a trading post and ferry, where it got its name. Bonner's Ferry began to boom due to the timber industry that utilized the forests where the town was situated. The dense trees and Kootenai River serve as beautiful scenery for visitors passing through.

Bonner's Ferry is known for its small town charm, its agriculture, and its historical architecture, being home to many old vintage stores and restaurants. Outdoor activities are very popular, such as fishing, hunting, snowboarding, and hiking. There is abundant wildlife here due to the forests that surround the town and the Kootenai National Wildlife refuge where visitors can go to view the extensive array of animals that call Bonner's Ferry their home. Despite the beautiful landscape, this town sticks with its small town roots and deep historical significance. Make sure you keep an eye out for deer at our stay here in Bonner's Ferry!



Eden Allen

Day 10: Helena, Montana



Helena Montana is the state's capital and is nestled in the Rocky Mountains of western Montana. Home to approximately 35,000 residents, the city is known for its scenic landscapes, historic downtown, and abundance of outdoor recreation. Visitors can enjoy hiking, museums, and well-preserved architecture that reflects Helena's rich past.

Founded in 1864 after a major gold discovery, Helena quickly became one of the wealthiest mining towns in the American West. When Montana was declared state in 1889 Helena was selected as the temporary capital and then was officially named Montana's capital in 1894 after a runoff election with the city of Anaconda. Today, Helena still celebrates its mining heritage while serving as the political and cultural heart of the state.



Mike Quinlin

Day 11: Missoula, Montana



Hey everyone, welcome to “The Garden City”!! Otherwise known as Missoula Montana.

The nickname garden city comes from its lush and vibrant landscaping meeting in the middle of five valleys and three rivers.

It is the second most populated city in Montana with an estimated population of 78,200 as of 2024. But is home to roughly 128,000 residents due to the campus housing at the University of Montana.

Though with all the people throughout the city, it still has a “small laid back college town atmosphere”. It is mostly known for its art scene; including vintage shops, downtown galleries, farmers markets, and the Wilma Theater.

So as we pass through, take in the sights of this beautiful city. Who knows, maybe we’ll be in the background of the spin off series following Yellowstone.



Aly Reinert

Day 12: Great Falls, Montana



Today our trek continues forth into the land of westward expansion and golden opportunity! This destination of the morrow beckons me to reminisce on a story my pops once told me. A story of bravery... of honor! A story of a man... two men, in fact... Two bold soldiers named Mariwether J. Lewis and Jimmy J. Clark. Together they were on a mission to fulfil the manifest destiny set to them by their forefathers. Somewhere along their vivacious travels across the endless plains of modern day Montana, they stumbled upon the most beautiful waterfalls they had seen on the Missouri river. As a token of their astonishment they felt the need to gift a title of the most grand to these falls. So from that day forth the astounding natural monument sent to them from the heavens was deemed "Great falls". Now over 150 years later the name has stuck, and a beautiful town was built around it...

And if ya didnt know already on account of it being on the back of your shirts, that's where we are headed today!!! And if you like hidden underground nukes or UFO sightings then this is the place for you!! Other than that you're about out of luck in this old cowboy town. Happy travels!!



Ethan Howell

Day 13: Glendive, Montana



Hey New G, it's time to embark on a journey to Glendive, Montana. Welcome to day 13 of this breathtaking and awe-inspiring tour. I hope you are still holding up and filled with great joy. Along the beautiful terrain and amazing history of this land, we will embark at the gateway of Montana's largest state park. This quaint town is located right on the Yellowstone River, which is a premier destination for fossil and dinosaur bone hunting.

Glendive is a city with deep roots in the nature side of life. The town itself is a small loving community of around 4800 people all spanning over a 3.5 sq mile area. One of the coolest spots you'll find here is the gateway to Mokoshika State Park, a nature lover's dream that stretches over 11,500 acres with trails, badlands, and even prehistoric fossils buried deep into its roots. One of the trails in this state park is even called the Dinosaur Trail. Since this small quaint town is so rich with fossils, the town itself has a dinosaur and fossil museum right in its heart.

If you're into fishing or studding one of the oldest fish that is still around today, Glendive is the perfect place for you to catch and discover Paddlefish. This town was known as the Caviar Capital of the Plains. Through their farms and natural rivers that carry these fish Glendive supplied more than 1300 pounds of Roe annually. This alone brought in an income of well over \$500,000 of untaxed income. Sadly in May of 2023 the Glendive Chamber of Commerce terminated this program leaving these Yellowstone caviar farms bankrupt.

A fun fact for you: Paddlefish, also known as spoonbill, outlived the extinction of the dinosaurs alongside their close cousin the sturgeon. Paddlefish can get up to around 7 feet long and as big as 300 pounds. Their average life is around 40-60 years.

I hope you have an amazing time both seeing the natural beauty of the land and more importantly the people who bring joy to this town.



Zamuel Brushwood



Welcome to our last stop of tour before home, Huron, South Dakota! Established in 1880, Huron was named after the Huron Native American people, however it has also nicknamed the "Heart of South Dakota". It is the 8th most populous city in the state with over 14,500 people and is home to the annual South Dakota State Fair.

Huron is also home to the World's Largest Pheasant, a 28ft statue meant to represent the famous pheasant hunting of the area. The town also has many historical murals, a waterpark, Ravine Lake, and is known to have beautiful sunsets on the Prairie. Although I'm sure everyone is eager to get home, I encourage you all to live in the moment and make this last stop count. Hur-On the final stretch, so you better make the most of it!



Day 15: St Joseph, Missouri



Welcome Home to Saint Joseph, Missouri!

After an amazing 15-day tour, there's no better feeling than pulling back into the place we call home.

Welcome to Saint Joseph, Missouri—where so many of us grew up, where lifelong friendships were made, and where New Generation's story first began 56 years ago. These streets are filled with our memories—the good, the challenging, and everything in between. No matter how far we travel, this city will always be home.

Saint Joseph is more than just a small town. It's a place with an incredible history. Founded in 1843 along the Missouri River, St. Joe became known as the starting point of the legendary Pony Express, where brave riders began their journey carrying mail across the country. It's also where the outlaw Jesse James spent his final days, making it a destination for history lovers from all over.

Did you know Saint Joseph is home to more than a dozen museums, beautiful historic mansions, and one of the largest collections of Victorian architecture in the Midwest? The city is also known for its rich railroad history, stunning parkway system, and the famous Glore Psychiatric Museum, one of the most unique museums in the nation.

But to us, the best thing about Saint Joseph isn't found in a history book—it's the people. It's the place where we learned to sing, where we chased our dreams, where families gathered, and where memories were made that will last a lifetime.

After 15 incredible days on the road, we're grateful to be back where it all began.

Welcome home, New Generation. Welcome home to Saint Joseph, Missouri!



Mac Carlson