

# Egypt



Helms and DeLuna

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the source, it was amazing. The guide would tell you 'this is 5,000 years old,' and you'd be like 'wow.'"

The tour consisted of tours of Cairo, a trip to the great pyramids and a cruise ship ride down the Nile River.

Students were equally impressed with the trip, maybe for different reasons. One statement can speak for all of the youth.

"My favorite part was the camel ride," said student Christian Pitts and most of the rest of the history club. "That and swimming in the Nile River."

Pitts had other memories, including a spooky experience inside the Great Pyramid.

"We went into the pyramid and we didn't tip the guy (at the door) and he turned the lights off on us while we were still inside," Pitts said.

Other students enjoyed the culture in the Middle East.

"We couldn't talk to everyone but we still got along," said student Caitlin Jones. "They really liked Americans... they kept saying 'Obama, Obama.'"

Student Joe Latham, who is tall, said he was amazed with how past civilizations lived.

"You could tell the size of the people was a lot smaller," Latham

said. "I've never had to bend that low."

"It was a lifelong goal and getting to go in high school was really dope," he said.

After thousands of miles by plane, ship, car and train, the students were exhausted when they arrived home. Still, the stories continue.

"There's so much to tell people when they ask about it," said student Janae Aiken. "There's so much you just can't tell it all."



Those who traveled: Kristie DeLuna and Rachel Helms, teachers; Evan Saleeby, chaperone; Magdy Hosny, tour guide and Egyptologist; Students Stephany Thompson, Symone Thompson, Sasha Thompson, Joe Latham, Samantha Greene, Caitlin Jones, Janae Aiken, Chris Pitts, Kevin Hollingsworth Alleyne, Kyle Nelson, and Michaela Smith - Hendricks; Parents, Dr. Karen Smith, Tina Latham, Dr. Mark Thompson, Michelle Thompson, Michael Hendricks, Beverly Alleyne, and Quinton Nelson; and , Marcus Hendricks, Marquise Hendricks, and Mikara Hendricks.

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