



Initial Fact Sheet

FOREIGN YOUTH MISSION

Thursday June 25 - Saturday July 6, 2020

This mission is an exciting and life changing opportunity! On a mission, we come to serve, not receive – though the reality is that most of us receive more than we could ever give. It is most important to maintain a disposition of flexibility and humble service. Change is inevitable, especially in Honduras, so it is important to be ready to adapt to the needs of the mission at any given moment. We will serve in villages and local parishes around the city of Comayagua for the Diocese of Comayagua. Comayagua is the city where Missioners of Christ have a community formation house and the Friars of the Renewal have a retreat center called Casa Guadalupe. This will be your base for the days before and after your time in the villages. You will receive orientation, planning and preparation for 3-4 days from our Honduras mission community members, and then will go out in smaller teams to reach all the villages we will serve. You will visit the local village with your team for 5 days. Together, you will experience houses visits, share with the families and put your gifts at service for different programs with children, teens, and adults. You will have an unforgettable mission experience because "Christ lives and WANTS you to come alive".

Flight options: Due to distance and limited resources (within Honduras), all team members need to arrive & depart on one of the flight options below & on the same day. **Individuals and groups need to secure their own flight arrangements.**

Arrival in to Tegucigalpa (TGU) Honduras

Thursday June 25, 2020

The following Airlines have flights that arrive roughly between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. *If a flight with another carrier is secured, it must arrive no later than 1 pm.*

United (via Houston - IAH)

American (via Miami - MIA)

Delta (via Atlanta - ATL)

Departure from Tegucigalpa (TGU) Honduras

Monday July 6, 2020

The following Airlines have flights that depart roughly between 12 p.m. and 3 p.m. *If a flight with another carrier is secured, it must depart no earlier than 11 am.*

United (via Houston - IAH)

American (via Miami - MIA)

Delta (via Atlanta - ATL)

Required Minimum Funds Raised: **\$1,055 /person**

Includes: Vehicle rental and in-country travel (including gas), Missionary Travel insurance, training, preparation Room & Meals for 10 days

Does not include: Travel to Honduras (airline tickets or fees), meals while traveling to or from Honduras, medical expenses.

You are being invited to participate in the ongoing missionary work of the Missioners of Christ. The nature of our short-term missions tends to be very different from your pre-conceived notion of "mission." Though the following will be discussed more in-depth during the preparation process, because we want to fully support the ongoing work of the mission (and not disrupt it), there are a few non-negotiables that need to be addressed up front before any individual is to discern his/her participation:

- We are a Catholic Christian mission working in collaboration with various religious orders and Catholic lay communities serving under the authority of the Diocese of Comayagua. In full humility, we fully support and promote all the teaching of the Church. If you have string issues against Church Teaching this is probably not the mission for you.
- We participate in about 3½ hours of prayer daily (including the Mass). All missionaries that serve with us are expected to participate in all aspects of the mission's prayer-life.
- These missions are evangelistic in nature, and though some building/manual labor projects may be included in the mission, these are always secondary to our call to spread the Gospel and fulfill The Great Commission.
- These missions are physically (and at times emotionally) taxing. If you have health problems, it is important to share with your doctor where you are going, and the anticipated nature of the mission, assuring that you will be able to fully participate in this mission.

Required Pre-Mission Training: We view the preparation for the mission as critical to the overall effectiveness of what we do, and see the entire process as one of discipleship. With this in mind, we have implemented a pre-mission training program, which involves catechesis, reflection, and logistical preparation. We encourage groups to engage in this process together though it can be done as "independent study". The initial preparation portion concludes with a day of intensive in-country training and team building in Honduras.

Initial Registration Steps:

Review **Individual Orientation Packet** and speak with our Mission Facilitator if you have any questions or concerns, **Gidget**, email: gidget.hebert@missioners.org

Submit an **Individual Application online** with \$100 non-refundable deposit by **April 26, 2020**

Begin fundraising via Flipcause and complete all mission paperwork

75% of mission cost raised by **May 28, 2020**

100% of mission cost due by **June 10, 2020**

Applications and required forms can be mailed, faxed or emailed to:

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