Bethel’s Global Reach Mission Trip
Costa Rica

Church Development and Evangelism Missions
July 8-15, 2017
Mission Theme: #Missions

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The purpose of the mission trip is to share the love of Jesus
with children, young people and adults who have not had the opportunity to hear about that Powerful love and how it can transform your life from the inside out!

• Trip date: July 8-15, 2017
• Purpose of missions: Medical Mission, Infrastructure and Evangelism Trip – Visiting Hospitals, Schools, & Churches
• Partner: LA RANCH COSTA RICA

• Cost: $1,800  Payments: **March 1, 2017 $1000  May 15, 2017 $800**
  • Airfare
  • Ground Transportation
  • Food – Breakfast, Dinner
  • Hotel – Double Occupancy
  • **L.A. RANCH | Costa Rica**
  • Translators / Security
• NOT INCLUDED IN COST
  • Additional foods
  • Souvenirs
  • Day of recreation
  • Deserts and Coke products

• New Missionary Applications Process
  • Go to www.bethelsglobalreach.org Go applications Fill out ALL REQUIRED FIELDS. click submit

Additional information regarding the trip
For those of you who are interested, here is some additional information regarding the trip. We will cover pretty much everything that you need to know

A Must:
• Valid Passport
• Love for God
• Love for People
• Compassionate Heart
• Servant Leader
• Giving Heart
• Follow Leadership
• Friendly & Kind Spirit
• Transparent & Humorous

What to Bring
• 1 carry-on, 1 backpack, 1 Carry on. (One suitcase per person Limited to 50 pounds!)
• Head lamp
• Toiletry Bag (your personal belongings, remember Liquids regulation for carry-on)
• Jeans, Sneakers, Hats, Comfortable Close Toe Shoes
• Tropical Clothing, no long sleeves necessary
• Sunscreen and bug repellant.
• Bring some snacks if you have preferences, Power bars are great.
• If you wish to bring any cash it is recommended that you bring small bills no larger than $20.00, you may want to bring an additional $100.00 to $300.00 for gifts, depending on your spending habits and lifestyle.

In Costa Rica |Partner Pastors Eric Dicesare & Luis Atavia

• No individual tipping, your contribution for the trip will cover all tips to the local volunteers, drivers and the hotel staff if you want to give any additional tip please discuss with the team leaders first.

Back Ground on Costa Rica:
Historically, Costa Rica has generally enjoyed greater peace and more consistent political stability compared with many of its fellow Latin American nations. Since the late 19th century, however, Costa Rica has experienced two significant periods of violence. In 1917–19, General Federico Tinoco Granados ruled as a military dictator until he was overthrown and forced into exile. The unpopularity of Tinoco's regime led, after he was overthrown, to a considerable decline in the size, wealth, and political influence of the Costa Rican military. In 1948, José Figueres Ferrer led an armed uprising in the wake of a disputed presidential election between the previous president Rafael Ángel Calderón Guardia (he served as president between 1940 and 1944) and Otilio Ulate Blanco. With more than 2,000 dead, the resulting 44-day Costa Rican Civil War was the bloodiest event in Costa Rica during the 20th century. The victorious rebels formed a government junta that abolished the military altogether, and oversaw the drafting of a new constitution by a democratically elected assembly. Having enacted these reforms, the junta relinquished its power on November 8, 1949, to the new democratic government. After the coup d'état, Figueres became a national hero, winning the country's first democratic election under the new constitution in 1953. Since then, Costa Rica has held 14 presidential elections, the latest in 2014. All of them have been widely regarded by the international community as peaceful and transparent. With uninterrupted democracy dating back to at least 1948, the country is the region’s most stable.

Economy:
Costa Rica is located on the Central American isthmus, lying between latitudes
8° and 12°N, and longitudes 82° and 86°W. It borders the Caribbean Sea (to the east) and the Pacific Ocean (to the west), with a total of 1,290 kilometers (800 mi) of coastline, 212 km (132 mi) on the Caribbean coast and 1,016 km (631 mi) on the Pacific. Costa Rica also borders Nicaragua to the north (309 km or 192 mi of border) and Panama to the south-southeast (330 km or 210 mi of border). In total, Costa Rica comprises 51,100 square kilometers (19,700 sq mi) plus 589 square kilometers (227 sq mi) of territorial waters. The highest point in the country is Cerro Chirripó, at 3,819 meters (12,530 ft); it is the fifth highest peak in Central America. The highest volcano in the country is the Irazú Volcano (3,431 m or 11,257 ft) and the largest lake is Lake Arenal. There are 14 known volcanoes in Costa Rica, and six of them have been active in the last 75 years. The country has also experienced at least ten earthquakes of magnitude 5.7 or higher (3 of magnitude 7.0 or higher) in the last century. Costa Rica also comprises several islands. Cocos Island (24 square kilometers or 9.3 square miles) stands out because of its distance from the continental landmass, 300 mi (480 km) from Puntarenas, but Calero Island is the largest island of the country (151.6 square kilometers or 58.5 square miles). Over 25% of Costa Rica's national territory is protected by SINAC (the National System of Conservation Areas), which oversees all of the country's protected areas. Costa Rica also possesses the greatest density of species in the world.

**Itinerary Subject to change!**

- **Saturday July 8, 2017**
  - Depart IAH 5:40PM
  - Arrive to SJO Airport 8:35PM
  - United 1565 –
  - Stay at the Martino Hotel, Alajuela

- **Sunday July 9, 2017**
  - Church Services
  - We feed the homeless at Pastor Victor’s church 6:30AM
  - Afterwards leave for Casa del Café & La Paz waterfalls Tour
(lunch)

- Arrive to LA Ranch at 6PM dinner served at 7PM
- Debrief and prepare for Tuesday’s Activities.

• **Monday July 10, 2017**
  - Devotional at 7:30AM,
  - Breakfast served at 8AM,
  - VBS starts at 9AM -11:30AM,
  - Lunch break 11:30-12:30PM
  - VBS 1Pm -3:00PM,
  - 4PM -6PM free time
  - Dinner served at 6:30PM,
  - Debrief @ 7:30PM afterwards free time

• **Tuesday July 11, 2017**
  - Devotional at 7:30AM,
  - Breakfast served at 8AM,
  - VBS starts at 9AM -11:30AM,
  - Lunch break 11:30-12:30PM
  - VBS 1Pm -3:00PM,
  - 4PM -6PM free time,
  - Dinner served at 6:30PM, debrief @ 7:30PM afterwards free time

• **Wednesday July 12, 2017**
• Devotional at 7:30AM,
• Breakfast served at 8AM,
• Painting the church starts at 9AM -11:30AM,
• Lunch break 11:30-12:30PM
• Painting 1PM -3:00PM,
• 4PM -5PM free time,
• Dinner served at 5:30PM
• 6:15 Special church service afterwards
• Debrief @ 8:30PM,
• Afterwards free time Pack bags we leave for La Fortuna (TOUR) early Friday morning.

• **Thursday July 13, 2017**
  • Breakfast 7:30
  • Community Evangelism
  • Fun and fellowship with the children

• **Friday July 14, 2017**
  • Breakfast
  • Lunch La tipica 12:30-1:30PM,
  • Baldi Hot Springs 3PM-7PM,Dinner @ Baldi Resort

• **Saturday July 15, 2017**
  • Breakfast 7:30
• Leave for Alajuela Hotel (TBA) Arrive Hotel in Alajuela

*****ALL MISSIONARIES MUST PRINT, SIGN AND BRING HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT WITH THEM AT THE TIME OF APPLICATION*****