

## **GENERAL INFO**

#### Who is invited on this missions trip?

All adult women who attend Crossline Church are invited to apply. Female Juniors and Seniors in high school with a family member also participating can apply as well.

## When is the trip?

Depart early AM Friday Sept 29, 2023 – Return late PM Monday October 2, 2023

#### What are the requirements for going on the trip?

An application with deposit for the mission trip is required and application is not a guarantee of participation. All applicants are reviewed by The Global Mission and Crossline Community Church Staff. The application process includes a background check with a "Live Scan." Because you will be in contact with vulnerable populations, the background check and Live Scan are mandatory.

As a participant of this trip, you will be immersed in a different language and culture and be exposed to experiences that can be stressful as well as physically, mentally and emotionally demanding. We require that you disclose any and all conditions that could arise while serving in international ministry.

#### **COST AND FUNDRAISING**

#### What is the cost to attend this missions trip?

The cost to attend this missions trip is \$795 per person. This includes transportation, 8 meals, and accommodations. There is a nonrefundable, nontransferable \$95 deposit due when you apply for the trip. Applicants who are not accepted will be refunded a portion of their deposit less administrative fees for the background check and application processing.

# When is the money for the trip due?

THE FINAL FINANCIAL DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 19! The \$95 non-refundable deposit is due when you apply for the trip. 50% of the \$795 is due August 31 and the remainder is due September 19.

# Can I fundraise to cover the cost?

Absolutely. We encourage everyone to fundraise. The staff at The Global Mission will give you the tools needed, including a fundraising page that can accept credit card donations. All donations that other people make to your trip should be made payable to The Global Mission and are tax deductible to the extend allowed by law. You can email <a href="mailto:quentin@theglobalmission.org">quentin@theglobalmission.org</a> for assistance.

## Are there scholarships available?

At this time there are no scholarships available. We encourage everyone to fundraise to cover the cost of their trip. If you need help, please reach out to <a href="mailto:quentin@theglobalmission.org">quentin@theglobalmission.org</a>.

#### **TRAVEL**

## Do I need a passport?

Yes! Everyone needs a passport to travel in and out of Mexico. PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR PASSPORT IS VALID. Go and find it and touch it with your hands – don't assume you have it and it's still good. A copy of the photo page is required to complete your application. If your passport is expired, you will not be allowed to cross the border. If you have questions about applying for, renewing or any other passport questions, please email <a href="mailto:quentin@theglobalmission.org">quentin@theglobalmission.org</a>.

#### How will we be getting to Ensenada?

We will be driving down as a team in rented vans. All team participants will meet in the Crossline parking lot early Friday morning. It's best if you can arrange to have someone drop you off, but if not, you can keep your car parked at Crossline over the weekend. The trip down to Mexico is a great time for team bonding. We cannot make accommodations for people to drive themselves.

## When will we be getting back?

We will be arriving at the Crossline campus late Monday night.

# What should I pack?

You will be given a detailed packing list once you are accepted for the mission trip. In general, you will need to bring your passport; toiletries; modest clothing for church, house building and relaxing; closed toe shoes; any of your required prescriptions (including glasses, even if you wear contacts), etc. Please also bring a towel and washcloth. Bed linens will be provided. Please do not over pack, everything should fit into a duffel bag and a backpack.

# Can I bring prescription medications?

Yes. We recommend backing enough for the trip plus a little extra just in case. You will need to bring a copy of the prescription with you and make sure the bottles are labeled.

#### Will we be eating along the way?

Yes, we will stop for lunch on the way down to Ensenada and on the way back. You will need to pay for those meals out of pocket. Your \$795 covers dinner on Friday night, all 3 meals Saturday and Sunday, and breakfast Monday morning.

#### **MINISTRY**

#### What will we be doing in Ensenada?

Our primary goals are to build a home and to build relationships with the family we are building for and the neighbors in the community. A detailed itinerary will be provided before the trip, but here is a general schedule:

Friday – Travel and Get Checked In with our partners at the YUGO Campus. (Youth Unlimited Gospel Outreach.) Dinner is served at YUGO.

Saturday – Build the loft house. Breakfast and dinner served at YUGO. Sack lunch provided by YUGO.

Sunday – Ministry Day. We will most likely attend church and deliver care packages. We may also lead a special service at night. Breakfast and dinner served at YUGO. Sack lunch provided by YUGO.

Monday – Drive home. Breakfast is served at YUGO.

## I've never built a house, can I still go on the trip?

Of course! Most people on the trip will have never built a house before. There will be people on site with experience who will take the lead on the build. And there are a variety of jobs for different skill levels. All you need is a willingness to work hard and get your hands dirty.

#### I have limited physical abilities. Can I still go on the trip?

Most likely, yes! There are a variety of jobs for people with different physical capabilities. If you have specific concerns, please email <a href="mailto:quentin@theglobalmission.org">quentin@theglobalmission.org</a>.

## Will we meet the family we are building a house for?

Yes! It is also likely that you will get to meet the other families that we have built houses for over the past 2 years.

## How are the families chosen to receive a house?

Our partners with Hands of Mercy and YUGO work with a network of pastors in the Ensenada area who have been doing ministry for years in the community, and we have also been working with these ministries for years. The very first mission trip that Crossline Church took in 2006 was with Hands of Mercy. The pastors make sure that the families receiving a loft house have a need, have legal access to the land, will be able to stay in the community at least one year, and are willing to receive the house in the name of Jesus Christ. The family does not need to profess faith in Christ or attend church.

## **ACCOMODATIONS**

#### Where will we be staying?

We will be staying in a dorm style accommodation provided by YUGO ministries. You can read more about them and even see pictures here <a href="https://www.yugo.org/see-campus">https://www.yugo.org/see-campus</a>. The YUGO campus has fully functioning restrooms with hot water showers, air conditioning, Wi-Fi, and bunk beds. Meals are served on campus and there is also a café.

#### Is there hot water?

Yes! Hot water for handwashing and showering is available. There will be safe drinking water available at all times.

# Is there Wi-Fi?

There is Wi-Fi on the YUGO campus. There are also standard US 110v plugs in the dorms for charging devices. There will not be Wi-Fi and may not be wireless / cell service at the building site or at any ministry sites. We recommend you either activate a cellular plan for Mexico when crossing the border or putting your phone in airplane mode and then turning Wi-Fi on and leaving your cell service off until returning to the U.S.

## Will meals be provided?

Yes, we will be providing dinner on Friday night, three meals on Saturday, 3 meals on Sunday, and breakfast on Monday.

## What will the weather be like?

Weather in Ensenada in September is just like Southern California with highs in the 80s and lows in the 60s.

## Do I need to bring bedding?

No, YUGO will provide blankets and pillows. You should bring your own towel and toiletries for showering.