



2019 Costa Rica GO Trip



When: Friday, July 26 – Saturday, August 3

Who: High school, Current 8th graders – 12th graders, seeking to make an impact for Jesus

Team members must demonstrate:

- Faith in Christ
- A desire to see what God is doing through the local church in San Jose, Costa Rica and our ministry partner, Global Action (www.globalaction.com)
- A heart to serve others
- A willingness to learn about both Costa Rican culture and outreach
- Adequate physical health – there will be some walking involved
- Flexibility and good attitude – plans change on short-term trips often

What/Where:

We will be partnering with ministry partner, Global Action, in San Jose to minister to the community, particularly through a local church called Comunidad Cristiana Shalom (www.shalomcr.com), an outreach-minded local church with the goal of transforming its community with the Gospel. The team will be doing various service related activities such as ministering to the elderly, serving the homeless, and working with children in the church and community through outreach efforts and camps.



Requirements:

- Fill out an online application at bethelweb.org/gotrips
- Attend at least three of the four pre-trip training meetings (April 14, May 22, June 30, July 18). These dates are subject to change based on unforeseen circumstances. There will also be an additional orientation/informational meeting about the trip (date TBD).
- Have an updated passport (cannot be due to expire within 6 months of trip).
- Complete additional forms as needed.

Cost: \$1500/person - includes airfare, lodging, transportation, meals, insurance, and materials

Raising Support: Do not let financial cost deter you from going! There are ways to raise support that will be discussed at the first meeting. Moreover, we believe greatly in the power of prayer, so each team member is also required to ask others to be their prayer supporters for the trip, which entails committing to regularly pray for the individual and the team. We have support letter/email templates you can use if desired. In addition to asking for prayer, you are also free to use this same template to ask for financial support for the trip.

Responsibility of Team Members:

- 1) Use the trip to grow in your relationship with Jesus Christ.
- 2) Learn how to develop life-impacting relationships with those who do not know Christ.
- 3) Listen to the prayer needs of the ministry partner and local believers. Pray that God burdens your heart to pray more fervently for those who do not know Jesus.
- 4) Be a servant to the other participants on your team and the staff and national believers, in order that your brief stay might serve as a long-term encouragement to the work.
- 5) Be respectful of the local culture, as well as the local church and its customs, even if they might be different from yours. Please refrain from things that may be deemed culturally taboo during your visit. Absolutely no use of drugs, alcoholic beverages, or tobacco.
- 6) To find out if there are any required or recommended immunizations, please check with your doctor and the CDC (Center for Disease Control) at www.cdc.gov.

Online application form and \$200 deposit due on March 10th

Payment Deadlines:

- All payments are non-refundable except for extreme extenuating circumstances. Another exception to this would be any instance where an applicant is not accepted for the GO Trip. Their deposit will be promptly refunded.
- Please go to bethelweb.org/gotrips to make online payments.
- If you would rather pay by cash or check, please make checks out to “Bethel Church” with “Costa Rica GO Trip” in the memo. Cash must be placed in an envelope and labeled “Bethel Church – Costa Rica GO Trip” with donor’s name and trip participant’s name on it.
- \$200 deposit by March 10th
- \$400 payment by May 5th
- \$400 payment by June 2nd
- Final \$500 payment by July 7th

Contact: For questions, please contact:

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