

Guatemala 2012



Mission Team Information & Application

LPC – PLM Partnership

Langhorne Presbyterian Church
Langhonre, Pennsylvania

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Mission Experience 2012
Lake Atitlan Region, Guatemala

When:	<p>We will leave LPC around 4:00 AM the morning of Saturday, February 4 for Newark International Airport. Our flight leaves approximately 9:00 AM. We will arrive in Guatemala City approximately 12:40 PM local time, meet the PLM Team and most likely spend the night in Guatemala City. We will drive to the San Lucus Toliman area on Sunday morning. We may go to Antigua on Friday and leave for Guatemala City International Airport on Saturday morning, February 11 for our 2:30 PM flight back to Newark.</p>
Where:	<p>Promised Land Ministries headquarters is located in Guatemala City. San Lucus Toliman is in the central highlands about 3 hours by van. It is a large village about 5,000 feet above sea. Plan on daytime temperatures in the mid to upper 70's and few bugs! Evening temperatures can be cool, and may require a jacket or sweater.</p> <p>LPC team members will be housed in a local hotel. The hotel rooms are modest, but generally clean. Several members will share a room, the number depending on the accommodations available. The relationships between LPC team members and the PLM team members can be some of the most important ones developed during our stay. Rudimentary Spanish will be part of our pre-trip preparations.</p> <p>We will debrief and relax before returning to the U.S.</p>
What:	<p>Our work with PLM continues to grow. What we do will always be in partnership with our Guatemalan brothers and sisters. Several programs may take place during our mission. Since several doctors are going there will be a medical clinic. All team members are encouraged to spend at least one day experiencing the clinic and pharmacy. There may be an opportunity to work with the children during various programs. We provide our arms, legs, smiles, and love helping our PLM partners in this important children's ministry.</p> <p>The make-up of our team will also determine some of what we do. We will seek to use our talents and abilities as best we can; we may add building and home repair, depending on team makeup and skills. A primary goal in all we do is to expand relationships between members of our partner teams.</p> <p>Daily Bible study, devotionals, and faith sharing will also be on our agenda.</p>
Who:	<p>It is possible that there may be more applicants than spots available for this trip. Those selected as members of this Mission Team must be able to make the time required for the trip and for trip preparations – meetings as the time draws closer. They must meet certain minimal physical and age requirements. Normally high school students must be accompanied by a parent. They must be active members and participants in the life of Langhorne Presbyterian Church.</p> <p>The primary requirement, however, is a prayerful sense of God's calling to be a part of this adventure. Team members must be willing to love people different than themselves, to be stretched past their comfort zones, and be willing and eager members of the team. Above all we go with a servants heart and do not expect to be served by others.</p>
Why:	<p>The Session of Langhorne Presbyterian Church believes God has called us into this significant mission partnership as our response to Christ's command that we be his witnesses "to the ends of the earth." This is a highly relational partnership where we are privileged to see and participate in God's strong work in word and deed among these forgotten people of the Lake.</p>
How Much:	<p>The ground costs are approximately \$1,100 per person. Once the team is selected, each team member is asked to book their own air (\$500 - \$600) as we have found that currently this is the least costly way. Very little is needed on the ground. You will need money for personal expenses, souvenirs and meals on Friday. A passport is needed but not a visa.</p>

Team Member Application- Guatemala, February 4-11 2012

Name as it appears on Passport			
Address			
City		State	Zip
Phone Number(s)		E-mail	
Date of Birth		U.S. Passport Number & expiration date	
Do you speak fluent Spanish? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
General Health <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Poor			
Do you have allergies? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (If so, please explain.)			
Do you have any dietary restrictions? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (If so, please explain.)			
Please describe any medical condition that a doctor might need to know of during the trip or which in any way might hinder your participation in this physically rigorous work:			
List all prescription medications you take (generic name, strength, and frequency of dosage):			
Do you have any physical or emotional challenges? If so, please explain.			
What is your present and past involvement with LPC? (If not a regular attendee at LPC, please indicate your present involvement with your own Religious Community.)			

<p>On a separate sheet of paper describe your sense of purpose in applying to be a part of the Mission Team. <i>Please include thoughts on what you hope to accomplish; how you have sensed God's call to this mission, and what particular, gifts, and/or abilities a you bring to the team and the mission.</i></p>			
<p>On a separate sheet of paper please provide a brief description of your Christian faith. <i>Be sure to include WHAT you believe and where you are with your walk with Christ.</i></p>			
<p>I have prayed about this opportunity and wish to be considered as a member of Guatemala Mission Team 2012.</p>			
<p>I understand that this application does not secure a position on the Team.</p>			
Signature		Date	

Applications should be placed in the Mission Committee Mailbox.
 We would like to have most applications returned by Sunday, September 25.