



Dominican Republic Winter 2018

COST: The cost of this trip is \$2200. This includes roundtrip airfare, travel insurance, transportation, food and lodging, and ministry expenses. Optional money for personal spending might be around \$50. Payment Schedule:

\$500 Due by October 5th

\$425 Due October 24th

\$425 Due November 14th

\$425 Due November 28th

\$425 Due December 12th (final payment)

All monies paid and contributions are non-refundable.

WHEN:

December 26th, 2018- January 5th, 2019

WHERE:

We will be going to Barahona, Dominican Republic. Within the city of Barahona there is a slum called Batey Central. Batey Central's population is made up primarily of Haitian immigrants or people of Haitian descent, many of whom have no citizenship and are thus not entitled to education, medical treatment and other public services. A school was constructed in a resource challenged area of Batey Central in 2011. Children in this school do not have citizenship or any documentation that would allow them to attend government sponsored schools.

WHAT:

The purpose of this trip is to build relationships with the people in Batey Central, and Barahona. We do this by working with them in construction of the school, painting, cleaning up, and spending time with them.

DETAILS:

Language: Spanish is the primary language spoken in the Dominican Republic, but the kids are anxious to learn English.

Meetings: We have monthly prayer meeting that will be mandatory for team members.

Work: We will be shoveling sand and mixing cement, carrying buckets, moving blocks, painting, cleaning up and other miscellaneous tasks. We will also be putting on a conference for the church and community.

Passport: You will need to get a passport soon as we will need the information for ticketing. Passport expiration needs to be at least 6 months after our return date.

Fundraisers: We will plan on having some fundraisers as a group, but individual fundraising efforts will benefit you more.

FAQ's

How much money should I take with me? Personal spending money should not exceed \$50. There is always risk of losing. It can be converted to Dominican Pesos at the airport or you can try to get some from your bank before you leave.

What kind of shots do I need? There are no specific requirements for immunizations required. The traveler assumes all responsibility for determining his/her own need for immunizations. The CDC website is recommended for consideration before you travel. The Chikungunya virus has been in the news lately because it is being spread in the Caribbean including the Dominican Republic. It is spread via mosquitoes and you should read up on it's effects.

Where is Batey Central? Batey Central is a slum area on the outskirts of Barahona.

What are the religious beliefs of people in the Dominican Republic? Approximately 70% are Roman Catholic, 20% Evangelical and the remaining claim either no religion or various other religions.

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