



Guatemala 2018

JRCC Short Term Missions Application

Trip Date: Spring Break, 2018. *Approximately Saturday, March 17th to Saturday, March 24th.*

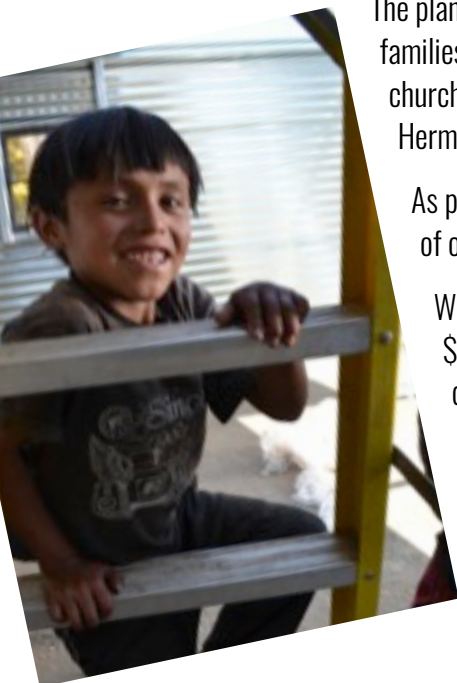
Jericho Ridge Community Church is planning our 11th team trip to Guatemala! The focus of the trip is to share our love of Jesus through actions, specifically to orphans, widows, the physically challenged and poor families.

Once again our team will be serving under the direction of Chris and Donna Mooney of Bethel Ministries International. Starting in Chimaltenango and then travelling to Sololá.

The plan this year is to once again build 1 or 2 small homes and distribute food and clothing to families in need. As a member of the team you may have the opportunity to participate in a local church service and interact with physically challenged adults and children, such as those at Hermano Pedro Orphanage (in Antigua) or during wheelchair distributions.

As plans may change once we arrive, based on local circumstances, we will follow the leadership of our partners. Be prepared to be spiritually, mentally and physically stretched.

We invite everyone to apply by October 31st. Individual trip costs are estimated* to be between \$1700 and \$1900, depending on flight costs, in-country expenses and exchange rates. A \$100 deposit will be due by November 12th, then \$600 by Jan 14th and the final balance will be due by Feb 18th, 2017. *This is an estimate as of Sept 2017. We do our best to keep costs down. All applications will be reviewed and prayed through and applicants will be notified. Our aim is to have the team finalized by November 7th.



We are looking forward to a fantastic trip. Past participants have been amazed at how God has worked in their lives as they stepped out in faith and served Him in Guatemala. This may be YOUR year!

The following answers will be held in confidence and only shared amongst the leadership team.

Personal Information

Legal Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

E-Mail address _____

Mailing Address: _____

Home Phone _____

Mobile _____



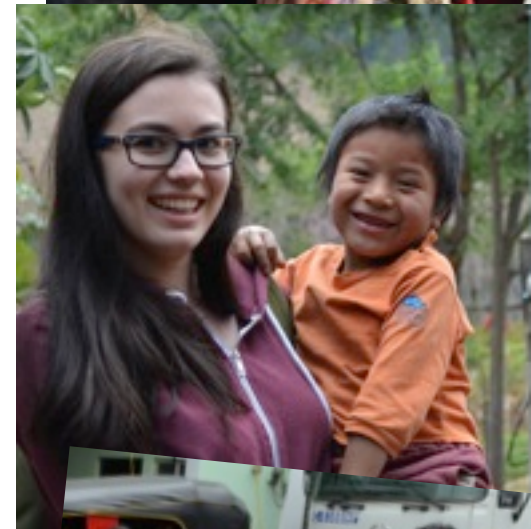
Preparing for the Trip

Please answer below – If needed use a separate piece of paper

1. Why do you want to be a part of the Guatemala short term missions trip?

2. Do you have any past ministry experience? If so please explain.

3. Do you have any previous cross-cultural experience? If so please explain.





4. ¿Usted habla español? ¿Como de bien? Do you speak Spanish? How well?

5. Have you ever worked with or cared for physically challenged children/adults? If so, in what capacity?

6. Do you have any expectations of what you may achieve by being part of this trip?

7. How do you hope to be changed because of this trip?



Life and Faith

(Please answer below – If needed use a separate piece of paper)

Please explain the details surrounding when you came to faith in Christ.

List all important information – age, who helped you, the circumstances surrounding your decision, and anything else you want to mention.



8. How has your faith journey been since?

9. What are some things the Lord is speaking to you about right now?

10. Is there anything in your life right now that would hinder your effectiveness on this trip (sin, unforgiven relationships, etc.)?

About our Team

Please answer below – If needed use a separate piece of paper

11. How are you at working in a team setting? What can you bring to the team?

12. What are specific skills you can bring to the team for this trip?

13. What do you feel are your spiritual gifts? How do you feel you could use them in a team setting?

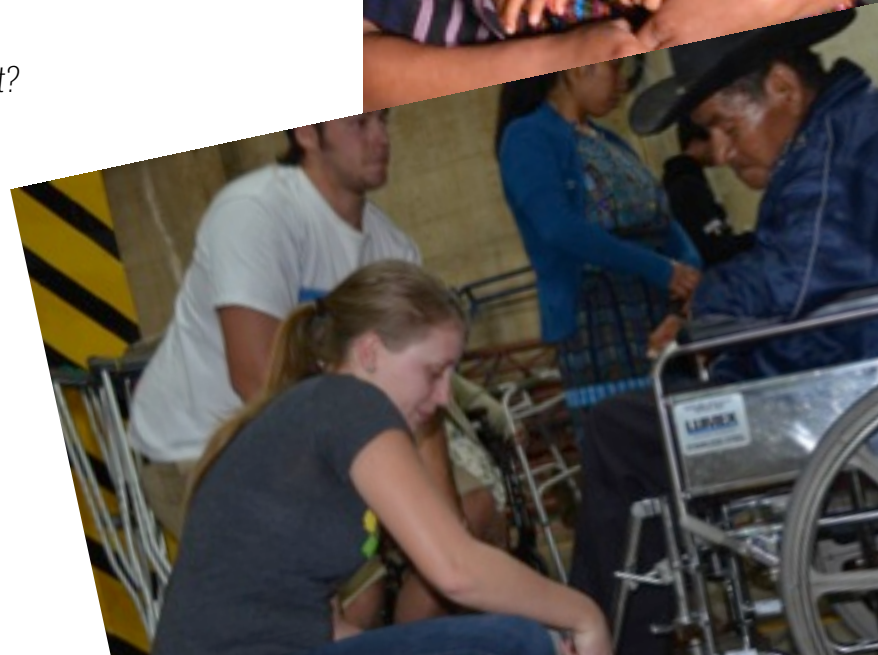
14. Describe a time you experienced conflict with someone. What was the issue and how was it resolved.

About You

(Please answer below – If needed use a separate piece of paper.)

15. What do you love to do and what issues are you passionate about?

16. What is your involvement within your church right now?



Commitment

Working as a team is a critical component of serving in Guatemala. To grow as a team, to understand our mission and how to accomplish it takes time and commitment, even prior to stepping on the plane.

All team members will participate during meetings, tentatively scheduled for:

November 19, 5:00pm Team Potluck. Getting to know you and the mission.

January 14, 6:30pm Team Meeting. Forms and Fundraising.

February 4, 6:30pm Team Meeting. Cultural / Spanish Language Training.

February 11, 9:00am JRCC Bake Sale.

February 18, 6:30pm Team Meeting. Wheelchair Fitment Training.

March 10, 10:00am Team Meeting. Packing group supplies.

March 11, 10:15am JRCC Team Commissioning.

March 11, 6:30pm Team Meeting. Final Logistics.

Other dates tbd.

Fundraising

There are two components of fundraising: Personal and Group. Each team member must commit to raising funds towards our team projects ie wheelchairs, homes, food and clothing. Individual trip costs may either be paid in full by yourself or raised through personal fundraising. We recommend a combination of both.

Travel

Please be aware that a passport is required to travel, both through the USA, Mexico and Guatemala. Your passport must be valid for a minimum 6 months prior to date of entry. Along with passports, appropriate immunizations and medical preparation may be required.

Participant's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent's Signature (if under 19 yrs) _____ Date _____

Thank you for your time and interest in considering Guatemala this year. If you have any questions about the trip or application, please feel free to call Curtis or Susan Cottrell at 604-888-0838 or email at cscottrell@telus.net or contact Tammy at the church office: 604-629-7804 or email office@jerichoridge.com.