

## Who Can Go?

The trip is open to anyone of any age who is willing to work and is open to a new experience. Children under the age of 16 can go when accompanied by a parent or other responsible adult.

Conditions are often hot, dusty and unpredictable, with insects and humidity thrown in for good measure, so team members need to be tolerant and flexible.

## Is It Expensive?

Room and board is \$500 for one week. Airfare varies widely, and generally runs about \$1,200 round-trip per person. Assistance with fundraising for your trip is available.



## Why Go?

Nicaragua is one of the poorest and least developed countries in Latin America. Almost half the population lives in poverty. The best chance for a child is getting a good education and we are committed to improving education for Nicaragua's children.

The mission trip to Nicaragua is an adventure, with plenty of hard work and relaxation. It is well organized, meaningful and a lot of fun. You will feel God's presence amidst your work, the school children and the people of Managua.

**God calls us to serve the poor.  
"Are you being called?"**

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## 21th Annual Mission Trip to Nicaragua Summer 2020



**World Service Mission Ministry**

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to serve the poor  
through mission work  
since 2000".**



## When We Go

This year, a team of parishioners, family members, friends and colleagues from other St. Louis-area churches will participate in a mission trip to Managua, Nicaragua. The trip is one week long.

**Sunday, August 2 – Sunday, August 9**



## What We Do

The primary focus of the mission is the Carolina de Sirker Christian School, located in the rural Managua suburb of Nejapa. Team members will do basic construction and maintenance needed at the school. No special skills are required for this work, just a relatively strong back and an enthusiastic approach.

Some team members will help in the classrooms, interacting directly with the children, involving educational and recreational activities.



Others on the team will go on home visits with AMOS health promoters in the community of Nejapa to help with basic health needs. We will also help out in the health clinic.

In addition to the work we do, we also have fun! Nicaragua is a beautiful, hospitable country and we like to take advantage of being there to experience some of its natural wonders and cultural offerings. Sightseeing and excursions are included in the trip.

## Where We Stay

We stay at El Samaritano Inn, a guest house on the compound of the AMOS Foundation, a Nicaraguan medical mission in Nejapa near the school. It is a safe environment with excellent security, good meals and clean, comfortable accommodations.



The guest house has men and women's bunk rooms, each with its own bathroom. There are common spaces with rocking chairs and hammocks for relaxing. The guest house is not air-conditioned but there are lovely breezes in Managua and fans in the bunk rooms.

The staff cooks and serves Nicaraguan meals for us. A typical meal includes chicken or beef, rice and beans, salad, and fresh fruit. Lunch is often eaten in town, depending on our work schedule. All restaurants are vetted and serve food that is safe to eat. Purified, bottled water is available at all times.