



Short-term Missions Trip Opportunity – La Paz, BCS

Dates: February 28- March 3, 2019

– La Paz – Prison Ministry - Health Fair

Ministry Description: We will be spending two full days in the Prison in La Paz - which is about a five hour drive south of Loreto; so we will be staying in a hotel in La Paz. Each day will begin with a short Bible study with some of the Prison staff; after which will be our Health Fair (which will include: taking everyone's blood pressure and blood sugar readings, medical consultations, dentistry and give out eyeglasses. The Prison will be supplying our noon meal, and we will leave the Prison each day shortly after 5 pm. At the end of the third day, all of the inmates will be given an opportunity to gather in the Prison's large basketball court where Don will be giving a Gospel message, followed by the Team giving a bag of hygiene items to each inmate that is present. Gospels of John, New Testaments and Bibles will also be made available to everyone. This team will be comprised of both medical and non-medical volunteers (pre-med students are welcome to join us too). We will provide an orientation and training. Speaking Spanish is helpful, but not mandatory. We certainly welcome translators to join this Team. All volunteers must be over 18 year old. You will need a passport book and a willing heart to serve.

Participation fee: \$595.00 – includes ground transportation in La Paz, travel insurance, meals, hotel accommodations, and materials for ministry. (Note: this fee does not include airfare or bus fare.)

Application and deposit of \$300 is due with application; balance of \$295.00 is due by **January 28, 2019**.

Flight Arrangements (not included in participation fee): All team members will purchase their own tickets to La Paz (LAP) (see other options below) – arrival date is to be on February 28; departure date to be on March 3. Flight costs will be less the earlier your bookings are made. Should you need or want to arrive earlier or stay longer, then the additional costs for meals and hotels will be the participant's responsibility. (Other options include flying into Cabo San Lucas (SJD), and either taking a bus (from the airport to La Paz or renting a car..., please keep in mind that Cabo is about a 7 hour drive from Loreto...) The trip takes about 3 hours; 6 departures daily. Departures from the San Jose Airport and arrives at La Paz Malecón – please specify "La Paz Malecón". Buy tickets online at www.ecobajatours.com – using your Visa, MasterCard or PayPal account. (The cost will be shown in Mexican Pesos...)

Housing: Hotel **Food:** Healthy/safe food along with purified water will be provided.

Health Warning: According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention there have been cases of Flavivirus on the Baja, which is carried by mosquitos and human contact. This includes Zika, Dengue Fever and Chikungunya. Therefore no pregnant women can participate in this trip. Before making a decision to go on this Team, please go to the CDC website and read some general information for travelers to Mexico, as well as some information about Zika:

<https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/traveler/none/mexico>

<https://www.cdc.gov/usmexicohealth/>

<https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/page/zika-vacation-infographic>

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