

Costa Rica for Christ (a ministry of Joshua One Ministries)

JANUARY 2010 EVANGELISM TRIP TO SAN JOSÉ, COSTA RICA

Trip Prospectus: Version 1 (09/09/09)

DATES: JANUARY 18-25, 2010

Monday to Monday, allowing us to do various evangelism projects on Tuesday-Friday, and facilitate and participate in a three-day convention of Christian churches on Friday-Sunday.

TEAM LEADERS

Team leaders Terry & Norma Hull, Terry Marsh, Ralph & Cindy Shead

Translators Ralph & Cindy Shead, Norma Hull

Medical team leader Jodi Elderton, RN Construction team leader Steve Driskill

Child evangelism team leader ?

Convention preachers/teachers Terry Hull, Terry Marsh, Ralph Shead

THE TEAM

In January 2008, we took 13 people to Costa Rica; in January 2009 we took 29 people. How many will join us for our 2010 adventure?

FLIGHT INFORMATION

We will fly from Will Rogers Airport, OKC, to San José, Costa Rica, on American Airlines:

Mon Jan. 18, 2010 OKC-DFW-SJ 2:05-3:05 pm 4:20-8:20 pm Mon Jan. 25, 2010 SJ-DFW-OKC 11:25 am-3:35 pm 5:35-6:30 pm

Note: It is essential that we arrive to and leave from San José as a group. If you wish to depart from a city other than OKC, we will attempt to accommodate you, if we can arrange a suitable flight. For more info, please contact Terry Marsh (marshterry@gmail.com), our point person with our travel agent.

PURPOSES/PROJECTS OF THE TRIP

- 1. Fellowship with our Christian brethren in CR who make up the dozen-plus churches overseen by Rodrigo Rojas, CR4C senior evangelist. *This is the No. 1 goal of our trip.* Our primary purpose is to interact with and encourage our CR brethren and to be encouraged by them -- to let them know that their brothers and sisters in the U.S. love them, care about them, and are praying for them.
- 2. Facilitate a three-day preaching/teaching/evangelism convention (La Asamblea), which will be attended by 200+ members of the Christian churches in Costa Rica.
- 3. Rebuild the classroom building at Iglesia del Evangelio, "the mother church" in San Miguel, San José.
- 4. Conduct health clinics to meet the needs of low-income CR citizens, while sharing the gospel and Christian literature and thus furthering the evangelistic efforts of the churches in those neighborhoods.
- 5. Get away from our normal routine, spending a week in fellowship, Bible study, prayer, and a reminder of our calling. We hope each team member comes home feeling closer to God as a result of his or her experiences.

To accomplish these goals, each team member will choose one of the following three teams:

- (1) Construction: Rebuild the classroom building at Iglesia del Evangelio, in San Miguel, San José.
- (2) **Health clinic**: We have two nurses leading our team, and hopefully one or more Costa Rican doctors joining us, to provide minor health care. We need several non-medical personnel to assist with the clinic.

(3) **Child evangelism**: Our children's outreach is three-fold: (a) The health clinics draw mostly women and children. While they wait for treatment, team members will play games with the kids and pass out tracts. (b) During the convention, we will offer classes for children. (c) We will take backpacks and school supplies to give to children as gifts of love and goodwill in the name of the Lord.

Everyone is welcome on this trip -- even if you can't drive a nail, diagnose a fever, or skip rope with kids. Please reread the primary purpose of this trip on the first page. If you can do that, you are welcome!

LODGING

We will stay at the Hotel Maragato (www.hotelmaragato.com), in the heart of downtown San Jose, just a block or two from the National Theater, Plaza de la Cultura, and Mercado. Hotel Maragato is small, comfortable and reasonably priced. Rooms can accommodate single or double occupancy.

MEALS

Breakfasts are served free at the hotel. Some lunches and dinners will be home-cooked by our Costa Rican host churches and some will be eaten in restaurants. Team members are responsible for meals at the airports while we are traveling; all other meals are covered.

SCHEDULE

Here is a brief schedule of our trip:

• Mon	Jan 18	Fly from OKC-CR. Arrive at the hotel.
• Tue-Fri	Jan 19-22	Projects (construction, health clinic, child evangelism).
• Fri-Sat p.m.	Jan 22-23	La Asamblea (convention of Costa Rican churches)
 Sat daytime 		Relax. Shop at the Mercado. Tour the National theater.
 Sat daytime 		Possible day trip (basilica?, rain forest?) for interested parties.
 Sat afternoon 		Church leaders seminar (led by Terry and Ralph)
• Sun a.m.	Jan 24	Last day of La Asamblea. Worship/fellowship. Lunch at the church.
• Sun p.m.	Jan 24	Mirador Ram Luna restaurant, in the mountains overlooking San José.
• Mon	Jan 25	Return home.

COST PER TEAM MEMBER

- \$738.72 Airfare. \$100 deposit is due NOW (Sep. 22). Remaining \$638.72 is due in Dec.
- \$470.00 Personal expenses: hotel (double-occupancy); transportation (we will rent a 45-pass. bus for the full week), all meals, day-trip admissions, airport exit tax, travel insurance.
 - Hotel: Add \$203 for hotel single occupancy; subtract \$18/person for triple occupancy.
- \$441.28 Project expenses: construction materials (about \$9,000 last year), medical supplies (about \$1,500 last year), convention expenses (about \$1,200 last year), gifts (books) for pastors (about \$600), books for Institute library (about \$1,000), miscellaneous.

\$1.650.00 TOTAL

NOTE ABOUT THE COSTS AND FUNDRAISING

The above \$1,650 per-person charge will NOT cover all of our expenses. Joshua One Ministries will need to raise an additional \$4,000-\$8,000 to cover all of the expenses of this evangelism trip, depending especially on the size of our team and the final cost of our construction project.

We will count on team members to first raise your own funds and then keep on helping to raise funds to cover the over-all trip budget. We encourage you to request funds from your church missions budget, fellow church members, family and friends. This makes your church a genuine partner in what we are doing, and gives individual Christians who can't go the opportunity to participate in our adventure. There are many Christians who are eager for opportunities to donate to a good Kingdom project.

You can handle the funds two ways: (1) Have all checks made out to Joshua One Ministries and submit them to

us. (2) Have checks made out to your church and allow your church to accumulate the funds and write larger checks to Joshua One Ministries. If you choose No. 2, discuss that option with your church treasurer.

Important note: There will be NO refunds of donated funds for any purpose. All gifts are accepted for the purpose of advancing Costa Rica for Christ and this evangelism trip and will be used for that purpose. There will be no refunds to team members or their supporters if you raise "extra" money or have to drop out of the trip.

DUE DATES

- Sep 22 \$100 deposit for air tickets. The fare on Page 1 is good through Sep. 24; on that day we need to tell our travel agent how many seats to reserve for our group. We can add additional seats after that date IF seats are available -- but the price may change. The best plan is to decide now and jump in with both feet (and \$100).
- Oct 15 \$250 due. Starting in Oct-Nov, we need to pay deposits on our hotel rooms and start buying building materials.
- Dec 14 Remaining \$638.72 of airfare due. [Note: Actually, the way this group rez works, after the \$100 deposit is paid, the full \$738.72 fare is due in Dec, and the deposit is refunded AFTER we return home. Last year the ministry had a sufficient balance to carry the \$100 deposit for our team members, which we eventually received back from the airlines. If the ministry is not able to do that this year, we will need team members to put up their own \$100 deposits, unless a church or benefactor offers to do so for us.]
- Jan 5 Rest of funds due.

You are welcome to send in as much as you can when you can. We will keep track of your "account" and send you regular updates. Please make your checks to Joshua One Ministries and send to the address below. If you have a problem meeting any of the above deadlines, please contact Terry Hull; we will do everything we can to help you go.

PASSPORTS

You *MUST* have a valid passport to travel with us to C.R. If you need a new or renewed passport, please take care of that *immediately*. For more information: http://travel.state.gov/passport/passport_1738.html