

QUICK INFO GUIDE

NICARAGUA MISSION TRIP



- NICARAGUA** Located in Central America, bordering both the Caribbean Sea and the North Pacific Ocean, between Costa Rica and Honduras with a population of 6 million people. Spanish is the primary language, and the climate is tropical year-round.
- WHO IS CCM?** For more than 20 years, CCM has been serving children & their families who live on about \$2/day. We do this through our local pastors & churches in more than 2 dozen communities where jobs and food are scarce. Most live in plastic or tin homes with no running water or electricity.
- LODGING** We have two beautiful locations in the cities of Masaya & Leon. Rooms have A/C, flushing toilets, showers, and fresh filtered water. Each campus is gated with 24-hour security. The food is exceptional and prepared fresh each day. Check it out at www.ccm.life/campus
- SCHEDULE** SATURDAY: Arrive in Managua (we pick you up), orientation, and settle in rooms
Sunday: Worship at one of our local churches, and Team Prep.
MONDAY-THURSDAY: Ministry in Village Communities
FRIDAY: Cultural Day (zip line, volcano visit, monkey island boat tour, shopping, etc.)
SATURDAY: Depart for U.S.
- SERVICE** Service projects may include Home/Latrine Construction, Vacation Bible School for Kids, Bible Studies for Adults and Students, Food Distribution, School Backpack Distribution, Sports, Door-to-Door Visitation, and more!
- COSTS** AVERAGE COST: \$1,850/person
- \$725/person: includes 7 days of lodging, food, translators, ground transportation, t-shirt, insurance and more.
 - \$600-1,000: Airfare from your city to MGA (Managua)*
 - \$50: Cultural Day (options include zip line, monkey island, volcano, beach and more.
 - \$1,200 and up: Team service projects such as construction, feeding programs, etc. Our staff will match your team's skills and vision with our ministry opportunities.



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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



Do I need a passport and shots?

Each team member should have a passport valid 3 months beyond the length of their stay. Nicaragua does not require shots, but we recommend that you consult your physician and/or health department. CCM has a full-time staff Medical Doctor and there are several good hospitals and clinics should the need arise.

Where will I stay and is it safe?

Short-Term Mission Teams stay at one of our two CCM-owned campuses near the cities of Masaya and Leon. Each gated campus features clean water, air-conditioned rooms with showers, flushing toilets, 24-hour security and English-speaking staff. Sleeping accommodations are divided by gender with up to 8 in a room. Most of the time we have 4 to a room. Additionally, teams use our own air-conditioned buses, trucks and vans as they travel to serve in our barrio communities. Nicaragua is documented to be the safest country in Central America. Visit <https://www.ccm.life/campus/> to see photos of our facilities.

What about snakes, bugs and other creatures?

Like most tropical destinations, Nicaragua has its share of these, but the chance of seeing anything dangerous is slim. We regularly use commercial sprayers on our campuses. Of course, we recommend bringing bug spray containing deet.

What will I eat & is the water safe?

The food is exceptional and prepared fresh each day by our staff. They do an amazing job offering authentic Nicaraguan food and some American favorites. Rice and beans are offered at most of the meals on campus, but eggs, pancakes, chicken, fish and other "American" foods are served as well. If you have food allergies, please let us know on your team application. We have our own artesian filtered water supply and is safe to drink and brush your teeth

Is there cell phone service in Nicaragua?

We encourage you to "unplug" while on your mission trip, but cell phone & texting coverage is very good in Nicaragua. Check with your cell phone provider for International Plans to make sure you don't end up with a very expensive cell phone bill!

What should I wear?

Nicaragua is a tropical climate and warm year-round. We ask everyone wear modest clothing such as T-shirts and longer shorts - no tank tops, strapless shirts. For church on Sunday, we recommend long pants for men and skirts for women. Please bring tennis shoes or sandals. CCM does NOT offer laundry service, so be sure to bring enough clothes!

Can I use US dollars or credit cards while in Nicaragua?

Most places will accept clean, crisp US dollars with no markings. Most major credit cards are also accepted. Please note that change will be given in Cordoba's - Nicaragua's currency.