# **Youth Trip Information**



San Raymundo & San Juan, Guatemala February 2026 Facilitated by Hungry For Life International (HFL) hungryforlife.org

# **Project Breakdown:**

Iglesia Evangelica Asuncion in Chivoc, San Juan is dedicated to constructing a new building. They have already created plans for what they hope will eventually be a four-story building that includes a parking lot, sanctuary, classrooms, and an office and living space for the pastor. Our team will help with construction as well as other projects, such as delivering food hampers, some type of ministry to kids (i.e. VBS, Sports Day, etc.), and giving testimonies during multiple church services. We will also enjoy a tourist day just for fun.

# **Trip Dates:**

The trip is scheduled for February 12-21, 2026 (dates are approximate, +/- 1 day depending on travel costs)

# Food and Lodging:

The team will be staying at Pastor Victor's house in San Raymundo. Pastor Victor's wife, Dina, will be doing the cooking along with a couple of women from the church. Meals will be a mix of Guatemalan food and North American food (or their take on North American food). Safe drinking water is always available.

### Weather:

In February, San Raymundo has high temperatures of around 26°C and lows of around 13°C. February is during their dry season. Rainfall would be unexpected though evenings and overnight can be cool.

# **Trip Costs:**

Total Trip Cost: \$2100 - \$2400 CAD

INCLUDES: flights, airport fees, in-country food, lodging & transportation, insurance DOES NOT INCLUDE: souvenirs, tithing, meals while traveling outside the country (airports), immunizations (approx. \$100-200), passport expenses

PLUS Project Costs: \$6000-10,000 Fundraised as a team

## All funds must be received prior to departure.

Parents who are coming on the trip can decide if they would like to seek support or pay the Trip Cost in full. In the event of a trip cancellation (by an individual), HFL asks the individual to donate an amount equal to the costs incurred to HFL on behalf of the individual cancelling. Due to charity tax law, HFL is unable to reimburse back funds that have been donated.

#### **Sources of Funds:**

Student Investment	\$500	All students will be required to pay \$500 of their own money towards their trip costs and can be paid in installments.
Support Letters	\$500-\$1,500	At our first meeting as a team, students will bring their full list of names and addresses to send their support letters. The more that are sent, the more money the student will bring in.
Group Fundraising	There will be one large MANDATORY team fundraising silent auction event in November. The proceeds from the event will first be used to fund our project costs, then distributed evenly to the team for individual support	

#### **Health:**

HFL requires that all travelers visit either their personal physician or a travel clinic 6-8 weeks before departure. **HFL strongly recommends the following immunizations:** Hepatitis A or immune globulin (IG), Hepatitis B, Tetanus

We also recommend bringing a prescription for traveler's diarrhea on the trip.

# **Applications:**

#### Applications will be available for submissions starting August 1, 2025.

Scan BOTH QR codes with your phone camera, to open the International Trip Application form (or visit cochranealliance.com for links). After you have submitted your application. The Application Form and the Consent Waiver must be completed. Please have your application and waivers submitted by September 30, 2025.

During your application process, a single, color image of page 2/3 of your valid passport is required to be uploaded. A passport is considered valid if the expiry date is later than 6-months after your return date to Canada. If your passport is valid, please upload a copy during the application process. If your passport expires before August 2026, please begin the renewal process immediately.



APPLICATION FORM

# **Important Dates:**

**September 30:** Application Deadline **October 5:** First Team Meeting

#### **Team Leader:**

Stacey Morris, Pastor of Youth Ministries



**CONSENT WAIVERS** 

# If you have any questions, please contact:

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