

High School Mission Trip Information

Who Can Go?

- Students who have completed grades 9-12
- Small group leaders of high school groups will be given priority
- The trip is limited to 43 students and 4 adults + 3 SL Staff – total number of 50 participants

Costs:

- \$2000 (paid in 4 installments; adults pay \$1,750)
- Personal Fundraising is encouraged. Donors may pay directly to the church through an online link provided to each participant.
- Group Fundraisers: Mistletoe brunch marketplace, Pancake Night (dates TBD)

Trip Details:

- Mission Company – Praying Pelican (www.prayingpelicanmissions.org)
- Departure Date: **May 24, 2025**
- Return Date: **May 30, 2025**
- Ministry Host Site: Local Church
- Ministry and Mission Opportunities: Mercy ministries, Community Evangelism and outreach, light construction projects

History and Basic Information:

- Population: 4,695,942
- Language: Spanish
- Ethnicity: Mestizo, Black, Amerindian
- Religion: Roman Catholic, Evangelical Christian
- Average Income: \$5,000/year

Leadership:

- Student Life Staff will handle all pre-trip organization and support other leaders/chaperones as needed
- 3 adults needed to join the trip (1 female, 2 male) – Preference given to small group leaders
- Pancake Fundraiser - 2 parents to coordinate event

Team Meetings

- Team Meetings are a **mandatory** and crucial part of any mission trip, but especially for teenagers. They need the time to gather as a team and to plan. As we prepare for the trip, they will grow together as a large team and as smaller groups within the team. For these reasons, team meetings are not an optional part of the trip. Every effort should be made to attend each one.
- Team members who are not able to attend any meeting should contact Audrey as soon as possible so that any information discussed can be communicated to them as well.
- *Dates are listed below and should be considered before registering for this trip.*

Important Dates

- **November 17, 2024 – Registration closes (Registration may close before this date if trip fills up) - Deposit of \$300 due upon registration**
- ***January 19, 2025 – 1st Payment (\$450) due***
- ***February 2, 2025 -- 1st Mandatory Meeting (Parents and Students)***
- **February 16, 2025 -- 2nd Payment (\$450) due**
- **March 16, 2025 -- 3rd Payment (\$400) due**
- ***March -- 2nd Team Meeting (students only)***
- ***April 20, 2025 -- 4th payment \$400 due (FINAL)***
- ***April -- 3rd Team Meeting (students only)***
- ***May 18, 2025 -- Prayer and Prep Meeting (parents and students)***

All team meetings are scheduled on Sundays after church. Meetings #1-#3 should last no more than an hour. The Prayer and Prep meeting will last 1 ½ hours to ensure ample time.

Other team formation and preparation meetings to be determined after registration closes.