

## Mexico 2010 Mission Information – November 12-17

*“a time to build” (eccl. 3:3)*

### What do you do?

We build a home for a family in Puerto Penasco, Mexico. The family has to apply for a home and then is interviewed by a panel of three local pastors. These pastors pass on their choices to Amor Ministries which then decides if a single home (11' x 22') or a double home (22' x 22') is built. All the labor is done manually. No power tools, no cement mixers. We want to show the family and others that they can build and make improvements without needing power tools. (Many areas we build in don't have electricity)

Along with building a home, we strive to develop a relationship with the family and others who live nearby. Most importantly, we want to show them Christ's love in the short time we are with them.

### What is the cost?

The total cost is approximately \$650 per person plus meals on your own as described above. This includes *estimated* airfare and may change as the trip approaches. On August 21<sup>st</sup> a deposit of \$300 is due (which should be submitted through on-line deposit after you have turned in your StoneBridge Mexico 2010 Registration form). This deposit is non-refundable unless another participant is able to use your plane ticket should decide not to go on the trip. Support letters are encouraged to help defray the trip's cost.

### Travel Requirements:

1. Passports are required by the U.S. Government as of June 1, 2009. You will need to provide a copy of your passport with your final registration forms.
2. Minors must be accompanied on the trip by that parent or guardian. Minors will need Minors List Notary Cover Letter.

### Where do you stay?

1. When in Phoenix we will stay at a church (which has showers available).
2. In Puerto Penasco we will stay in tents. We are responsible to bring down our own tents. We will “buddy” up in tents to save hauling so many tents. Tent assignments will be discussed at our future planning meeting.

### How do you get there and back?

1. We try to fly from Omaha to Phoenix late afternoon or early evening on Friday, November 12.
2. We will get up early Saturday morning and drive to Puerto Penasco, Mexico in 15 passenger vans. The drive is approximately 5 hours
3. We will drive back to Phoenix on Tuesday, November 16 – leaving Puerto Penasco early afternoon.
4. We will fly home from Phoenix Wednesday, November 17 mid-morning or early afternoon.

**The Food Facts:**

During Travel & in Phoenix:

1. All food during the travel from Omaha to our site in Phoenix will be your responsibility. This will include meals at the airports, in Phoenix (a dinner and breakfast on the way and a dinner and breakfast on the way back), and a meal just before entering Mexico. Lots of fast food available!

In Puerto Penasco, all your meals will be furnished by Camping Pros which is included in the cost of the trip.

1. We will have hot meals provided for breakfast and dinner (beginning with dinner on Saturday night. During breakfast CampingPros will set up a preparation station where EACH person make you a sack lunch to take to the work site. Also beverages will be provided!
2. Campfire snacks will be provided each night following dinner.
3. There may be stops at a local convenient store after going to our worksite each day.

**Deadlines and Important Dates:**

Forms, Funds and Documents:

1. Fill out StoneBridge Mexico 2010 Registration Form and submit form to church office by August 16 at which time you will obtain a Mexico Trip Packet. (Note: This form must be received before your online submission of your \$300 Trip Deposit.)
2. Pay \$300 Trip Deposit by August 23. Payment will be made on line.
3. Apply IMMEDIATELY for a passport (this can take 6 to 8 weeks to process).
4. Fill out forms in Mexico Packet and submit to church office by September 13. Include a copy of your US Passport.
5. Final Trip Payment due October 18<sup>th</sup>

Trip Planning and Preparation Meetings:

Two meetings will be scheduled in September and October to prepare team members for the trip. Tent assignments, packing supplies, logistics and important information will be shared, along with spiritual preparation and team building. Times and dates will be announced as the trip approaches.

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