

NICARAGUA MINISTRY TRIP

May 5th – May 12th



Our Ministry Partner: REAP Granada

REAP Granada is a Christian Ministry devoted to some of the more economically challenged neighborhoods in Granada, Nicaragua. We use several powerful ministries, called **Touchpoints**, to build valuable relationships. With multiple touches, in key areas, we live together with the locals and demonstrate God's love in real relationships. These relationships cultivate a strong, sustainable community, by integrating faith into every aspect of life, while strengthening families and developing employment skills.”

You can read more about their ministries at: reapgranada.com/

Our Work

Our primary activities may involve manual labor, home visits, teaching etc.

Where are we going? Granada, Nicaragua

Granada is a city in Nicaragua, Nicaragua is in Central America, bordering both the Caribbean Sea and the North Pacific Ocean, between Costa Rica and Honduras.

Our Team

We send a select team of up to 16 people from Crossway. Applicants who are not an active part of Crossway must be involved in a local church and have a reference from their pastor. Crossway attenders should be actively involved at Crossway.

Other Information

The **WATER** is not safe to drink. We will use bottled or treated water for drinking and brushing our teeth. However, it is safe (and encouraged) to take showers.

The **FOOD** is safe, relatively speaking. Any time you eat you are taking a risk. While care is taken in the preparation of our food, the risk of picking up a bug for Americans while eating in Nicaragua is greater than when eating in the United States. With that said, the risk is not any greater than in any similar Latin American country. We would be surprised if there was any illness beyond an occasional

stomach bug. But, in the words of a veteran missionary to Kenya, “This is why we pray before we eat.”

Cost

The trip will cost approximately \$1,600, which will cover everything you will need – airfare, lodging, transportation, and food – except for your passport, immunizations, and spending money. Airfare is due by **March 1st, 2018** and will be approximately \$750.

Immunizations

Regarding immunizations, you may want to schedule an appointment with a Travel Clinic and follow through on recommended immunization and disease prevention. More than likely, this will involve a tetanus, diphtheria (Td) or tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis (Tdap) booster at minimum.

Next Steps

APPLICATIONS, \$150 DEPOSIT and a COPY OF YOUR PASSPORT are due on or before **January 21st**. If your application is accepted, the deposit is non-refundable.

Please return the completed application form to the Church Office or mail it to –
Attention: Global Team Application, 503 Main Dunstable Road, Nashua, NH, 03062

Crossway requires a Short-term Ministry Trip application and an interview for anyone interested in participating. Due to accommodation and logistical restraints, we are unable to take everyone. Although it is less rigorous than our missions to Kenya, this trip is not a “nice trip” to a “nice place.” This experience places demands on you physically, emotionally, relationally, and spiritually as you pour yourself out for other people in very difficult circumstances.

The preparation we do as a team will determine the success of our trip. It will involve team-building activities, planning projects, cross-cultural education, watching films, and discussing logistics. Although we will communicate important information, these meetings form the foundation of a cohesive, well prepared team. For this reason, it is extremely important for you to attend all the team meetings.

