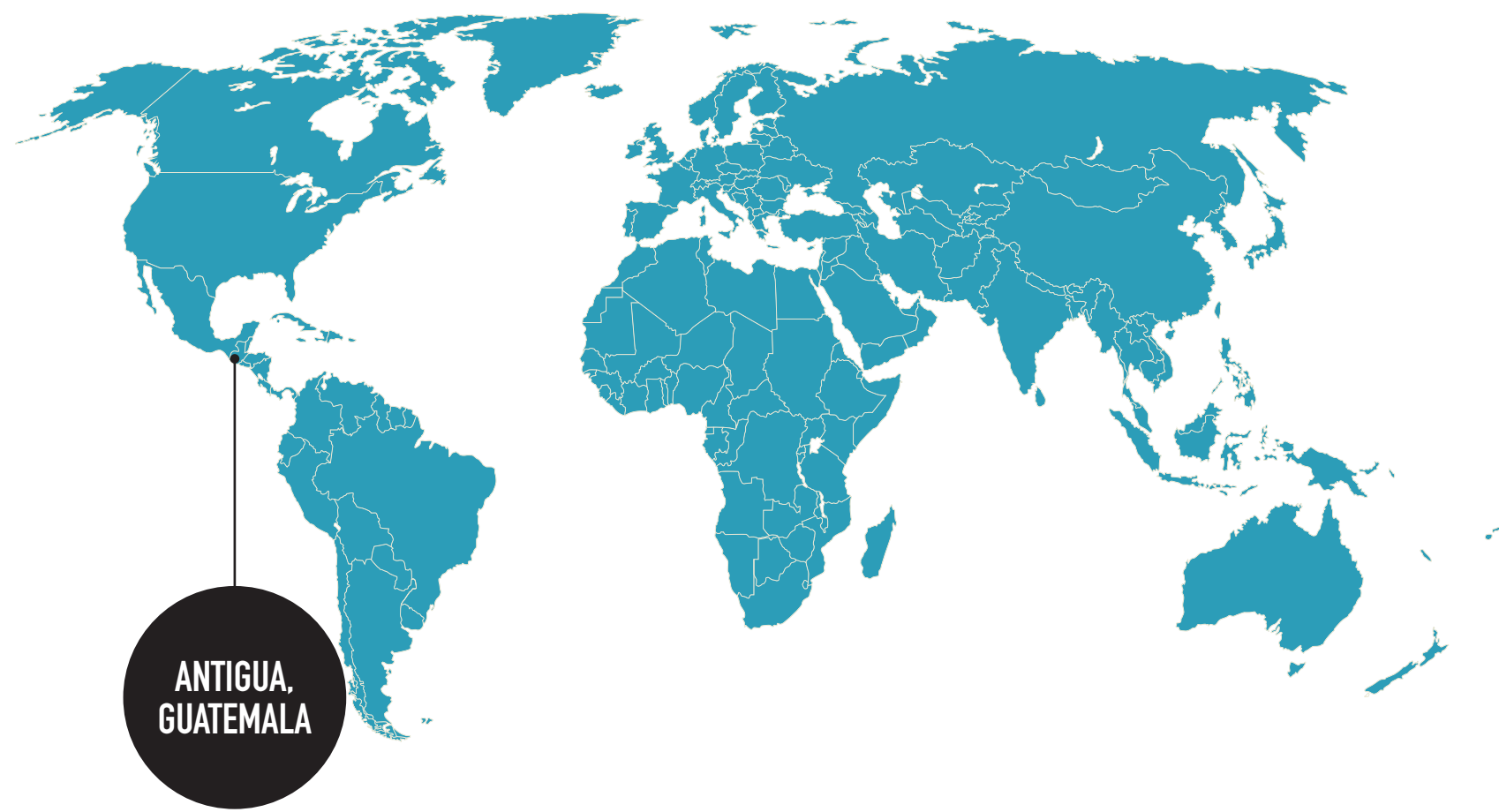


JUNE 13-22, 2024

SGCC SUMMER YOUTH MISSION TRIP

Guatemala w/Mission Impact





ANTIGUA,
GUATEMALA

Jeff & Terri Sprecher

**DAUGHTERS
KATELYN & AMY**

Mission Impact

Our passion is to reflect the Glory of God in Guatemala through nine dynamic, nationally lead, long-term ministries that focus on the areas of education, health, nutrition, community development, appropriate technology, pastoral training, and spiritual formation through making disciples.

30+ year relationship

Originally from Sauk City, Cousin to SGCC member, John Schneller

Gretchen's 5th trip, Marvin's 4th

Fearless leader's Meg and Todd with missions experience

Trip Purpose

- Share the Gospel and deepen our understanding of the ways God can use us for ministry.
- Enhance our understanding of the various needs people have.
- Become more cross-culturally aware and sensitive to the differences between peoples.
- Develop a closer personal relationship with Christ.
- Develop stronger friendships/relationships within our church family
- Continue to use the things that we learn in the mission field to reach and serve the River Valley Community
- Share the mission experience and personal growth with other church members in order provide a stronger Christian base in their lives and prepare them for future mission trips



What will we be doing?



BERTA GONZALES— Women's Ministry

Serves in 7 communities reaching and teaching over 300 women self-sustaining life skills while also sharing God's word and studying the Bible.

What will we be doing?



GERMAN GONZALES— Fuel Efficient Stoves

German assists missionary teams by building and installing fuel efficient stoves in rural communities.



What will we be doing?



BEELINE WHEELCHAIRS

Manufacturing and assembly of wheelchairs that are shipped all over the world to aid those with mobility needs in 3rd world countries.



PROXIMOS PASOS

All girls school

VIDA & ESPERANZA

Pre-K thru 12



NUEVA ESPERANZA

NURSING SCHOOL

Nursing and Lab Tech School

Where we stay



COMMUNITY CENTER

- Common area
- Kitchen
- Multi-person room with bunk beds and bathroom
- Meals prepared by staff
- MI staff on site during stay
- Gated security entrance



Average Day



- Devotions at 7am
- Breakfast
- Depart the community center by 8:30am
- Six hours at the ministry site
- Arrive back to the mission house by 4:00pm.
- Guatemalan dinner is served at 6pm.
- Evening programs include local speakers discussing current issues and needs in Guatemala, team sharing and debriefing, and free time for relaxation and reflection.



You will also experience:

Bilingual church service

Meal in the city,

Bartering at the market

Requirements

Previous Mission Experience

Must have participated in a prior missions experience. If you have not, you will be required to participate at a Saturday Health Clinic at City on a Hill in Milwaukee. There will be at least one opportunity to do so with a group from church. Health clinics are the second Saturday of the month. We will plan on March or April. There are also other opportunities to serve there if a date doesn't work. It will be your responsibility to make it happen.

Prayer Partner/Meetings

Each student will choose an adult Christian prayer partner (non-relative). They will be required to meet with them 2 times pre-trip and at least once post trip. These are valuable relationships where students have someone other than a team member to share fears, excitement, prayer requests etc. with.

Passport

(\$165 New/130 renewal), Apply 4-6 months before travel-current processing 8-11wks from receipt does not incl return mailing time. Recommend passport is good for 3 months past date of travel. <https://travel.state.gov/>

Immunizations

Mission Impact requires all team participants to have current tetanus shot (DTP), Hepatitis A, Hep B. (Hep A and B: if you have not had would need to be scheduled asap because they are a series of 2 and 3. Completing some is better than none) We also STRONGLY suggest an Influenza vaccine.

Fundraising

You will be required to participate in ALL team fundraisers. We hope to have all fundraiser dates by Jan 1st.

Requirements

Team Meetings

There will be 6 REQUIRED team meetings before the trip, and at least 2 meetings after the trip. These meetings will give you a chance to get to know fellow teammates better, study the Bible together, learn about short term missions, Guatemala—the people and the culture—share our fears and excitement with one another and get updated information regarding the trip and pray together. The post trip meetings will allow for a debriefing of what you have seen and experienced. These meetings are very important. Please make arrangements to ask off work, plan family events etc around these meetings.

Mandatory Pre/Post Trip Meetings and Fundraisers

Dates that we have on the calendar already are:

December: Culver's Gift Card Fundraiser

Team Meetings: First Sunday of every month

Sunday, Jan 7, 8pm: pre-trip meeting

Sunday, Feb 4, 8pm: pre-trip meeting

Sunday, Mar 3, 8pm: pre-trip meeting

Sunday, Apr 7, 8pm: pre-trip meeting

Sunday, May 5, 8pm: pre-trip meeting

Sunday, June 9, 7 pm: pre-trip meeting

Tuesday, June 11, 6:30 pm: prayer partner/team cookout

Saturday/Sunday, June 29/30: Art Fair Fundraiser

Wednesday, Jun 26, 7pm: post-trip meeting

Wednesday, Jul 10, 7pm: post-trip meeting

Sunday, Jul 14, 10am: Sunday Share

We hope to have all fundraiser dates nailed down by Jan 1st.

If you have suggestions for a fundraiser please talk to Gretchen.

NOTE: You are allowed to miss one meeting and need to let a leader know if you will be absent. It is also your responsibility to ask for information covered in meeting and to read thru it.

Missing more than one meeting may result in you forfeiting your spot on the team.

Safety and logistics

Do I need to speak Spanish if I am going to minister in Guatemala?

No! Team members will work alongside bilingual staff where translation is available.

We will as a team learn and practice some basic phrases.

What kind of medical care is available in Guatemala?

Two small private hospitals in Antigua that can adequately cover most situations that arise. Mission Impact has long standing relationships with several Guatemalan physicians in the Antigua area. If a team member is in need of trauma care or specialized emergency care they would be transported by ambulance to Guatemala City, a 50-minute trip. Guatemala City has several very good hospitals and many well trained physicians. Good dental care is also available in Antigua as well as equipped pharmacies.

Is Guatemala a safe place to travel to and minister in?

Tourists can be targeted for robbery and assault. However, Servant Teams with Mission Impact are at very low risk. In communities with Mission Impact missionaries who are respected and welcomed in their communities. Transportation is either provided by or contracted by Mission Impact. Mission Impact does not engage in any tourist travel outside of the Antigua area unless specifically requested by team leaders. Staff is on property during stay, teams will be briefed on safety during orientation.

Safety and logistics

What is the weather like in Guatemala?

Guatemala has two seasons: dry and rainy. Rainy

season is from May through October. Temperatures are cool at night and warm during the day,

Temperatures range from 60°F to 90°F March through October. Ave Temp in June:

Travel

- Milwaukee or Chicago to typically Dallas to Guatemala City
- Drive or Van Galder bus to airport
- Travel Insurance
- Refundable tickets:

Cancellation penalty per ticket \$150.00 it has to be canceled at least two days prior to the departure date.

Change penalty per ticket \$100.00 plus any difference to the new date if there is a difference,

it has to be made at least two days prior to the departure date.

Cost

COST	
Mission Impact	\$895
Airfare	\$700-1000
Travel Insurance	\$75-100
2 Team Meals	\$25-45
Debrief Day	\$35-85
Airport Transportation	\$70
Tshirt	\$15
Total	\$2200

BREAKDOWN OF FUNDS	
1/3 Student - Out of Pocket	\$800
1/3 Student Support Letters (20)	\$700
1/3 Team Fundraisers	\$700
Passport Fees if applicable	\$135-165
Spending money	\$75-100

DUE DATES		
Deposit & Commitment Form	\$100	Nov19
1st payment	\$350	Feb 1
Final payment	\$350	May 1
Passport App		Jan 1

Additional project fee: \$300 per team

Funds are non-refundable.

MONEY IS NOT A REASON TO NOT GO!!! Scholarships are available.

Questions?

Also check out:

www.missionimpact.com