

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

If you have further questions that are not answered here, please contact [msteam@mikesilva.org](mailto:msteam@mikesilva.org).

### ***Who will be going?***

We will be taking a volunteer team with members from various parts of the United States. Some have traveled with MSI before, and others will be going for the very first time.

### ***What are the age requirements?***

Although all ages are welcome, please contact us if you or your loved one is under 18 years of age. For questions, please email [msteam@mikesilva.org](mailto:msteam@mikesilva.org).

### ***What is the cost of the trip?***

The base cost of the trip is \$1,850 + airfare and is tax-deductible (see opportunity page for full list of trip cost options). Payments toward the trip can be made directly through your personal Service Reef Dashboard. If paying by check, please send all payments to: Mike Silva International – 1500 NW 167th Pl, BEAVERTON, OR 97006. Online payments can also be made at [Mike Silva International - Give](#) – choose **El Salvador 2026 Serve Team** in the drop-down box.

### ***What does this cost cover?***

The cost of the trip includes (but is not limited to) the following: lodging, meals, bottled water, in-country transportation, interpreters, gratuity, taxes, trip insurance, staff coordination, and meeting rooms. It does not include anything necessary to prepare for the trip (vaccinations, passport, etc.). It does not include food purchased in transit or any personal purchases. It does not include airfare.

### ***Where will I be staying?***

Our team will be staying at the Hilton San Salvador: [Hilton San Salvador](#)

### ***Do I need to speak Spanish?***

No. We will have translators for you.

### ***What will I do?***

You will have numerous opportunities to share your testimony and participate in skits in local schools. Other possible outreach opportunities could include orphanages, prisons, or elderly homes, depending on what permissions we receive. You will also have opportunities to attend our conferences, Kid's Fiesta, and the Festival.

### ***How do I sign up?***

Most likely, you have already completed your registration form online. But if not, first complete the [Serve With Us](#) interest form on our website. We will then email you a link to register at which time you will pay a **\$500 non-refundable application fee**.

### ***What happens after I submit my registration form?***

- We will send you a welcome email with the next steps and you will also have access to your personal Service Reef profile with all the trip details and your current status of fundraising.
- Make sure your passport is valid through September 2026. If you don't have a passport, please get one immediately!

### ***Do I need to get shots?***

Although no immunizations are required for entry into El Salvador, we recommend you make an appointment with your doctor to see what he/she recommends for you.

### ***How do I pay for the trip?***

Trip participants are encouraged to invite friends and family in their efforts to raise financial and prayer support. Raising support is an integral part of your short-term mission experience. God could be waiting for an opportunity to show you how big He is! We will provide fundraising guidelines, materials, and deadlines as part of our next steps.