

MEXICO
VOLUNTEERS IN MISSION

Alternative Work And study Reality Experience

September 30 – October 9, 2011 Information Sheet

We will meet on Sept 29 at the Camp Hill UM Church and “camp” overnight for transport to the Harrisburg Int’l Airport for our early Friday departure.

REQUIREMENTS for AWARE VIM teams

- 18 years or older
- **Good Health (AWARE may involve strenuous farm and construction labor on rugged terrain with high temperatures and at a higher altitude).** Health form will be required if this is your 1st AWARE work experience.
- Current passport
- Willingness to live in a rustic setting.
- Cheerful, cooperative spirit
- Updated tetanus shot (You do NOT need Malaria or Typhoid meds)

TYPICAL SCHEDULE 10 days (but in México, everything is subject to change!)

Friday -- Leave from airport and arrive in Puebla late evening, Dinner upon arrival

Saturday - Orientation to GYTTE, some touring, orientation to GYTTE program

Sunday – Church worship, travel to the “Tree of Life Center” in Tlancualpican

Monday – Friday Work & Study

Thursday – Team leads worship in Tlancualpican

Saturday – travel back to Puebla; sightseeing and shopping

Sunday – travel back to Mexico City & depart, travel home

Food and Water – The GYTTE staff prepares excellent meals. All water is bottled.

SIZE OF TEAM 12-17 persons

2011 TENTATIVE COSTS: 1. **Individual: Total \$1600** (based on current airfares, however, we do not have a locked in price)

- Registration fee: \$200 required time of registration
- 1st Payment: \$700 due August 1st (airline tickets are purchased in August)
- 2nd Payment: \$700 Due Sept. 1st

These fees cover **all** expenses including transportation to the airport, all travel in Mexico, food, lodging, admission fees to museums, etc. Meals/snacks at the airports are NOT included.

2. **Church: \$150:** each local church from which a team member comes contributes \$150 towards the group construction costs of \$3000. Church only pays \$150 regardless of the number of members participating (of course, additional donations are always welcome). Due by Sept. 1st.

REGISTRATION:

Each participant fills out a Volunteer Application Sheet and pays the required \$200 registration fee: Checks are made out to: **Susquehanna Conference UMC, "Mexico Team" should be written in the memo line.**

Send to: Rev. Marian E. Hartman, 60 Waln Street, Wellsboro PA 16901

We try to keep a well balanced team – age, health, men/women... if you apply and we are unable to fit you in with our team your deposit will be refunded. If you are accepted and then cancel, there will not be a refund.

DUE BY SEPTEMBER 1ST

- Volunteer Fact Sheet
- **HEALTH FORM** – Due to the nature of the work involved in this work camp, a health form is required from your doctor for all 1st timers. Repeat team members may be asked to update their form. Up to date tetanus shots are required. **No other immunizations are needed** though some of your physicians will look at the CDC website and tell you otherwise, Malaria and Typhoid are not needed.
- Volunteer Covenant Form

CEU'S: Continuing Formation Committee of the Central Pa. Board of Ordained Ministry offers 2.5 CEU's to all UM clergy. Scholarship monies may also be available through BOOM upon request.

ORGANIZATIONAL Meeting in August: Each participant is expected to attend an organizational meeting to meet other team members and get last minute travel details. The meeting date and place has not been set yet.

TEAM LEADER for the 2011 group will be the Rev. Marian Hartman.

Send all materials to:

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