



# Journey to Nicaragua

July 5-13, 2024

For Adults and Youth (completed 9<sup>th</sup> grade)

## Trip Overview

We will journey to Nicaragua to build relationships and learn from our partners in the mountain region of Kilambé, Nicaragua. The partnership is based on mutuality, accompaniment, and learning from one another. By staying in the homes of our partners we show respect and learn how much of the world lives.

Our partnership has existed since 2005 and has slowly grown as we have learned to trust each other and to work together. Our focus is education. We have worked in the schools and with the children while providing scholarships for children in the community. The partnership has also included several infrastructure projects.

Our partnership is facilitated by CEPAD (Council of Protestant Churches of Nicaragua) a community development organization that has been in existence for over fifty years.

This mission trip will focus on:

- Learning about the people of Nicaragua and the development work of CEPAD throughout the country.
- Fellowship with the Kilambé community in celebration of our partnership
- Meeting with community leaders to learn from each other and mutually share hopes and dreams for the future
- Connection with community youth to support their life's journey
- Meeting with scholarship recipients and evaluating the impact of the program
- School improvement projects, painting and light construction
- Evaluate opportunities to support community development

Participants need to be in good physical and emotional health.

Participants need to commit to 4-6 pre-trip training meetings (March – June).

Estimated expense: approximately \$1,800 - \$2,000. Actual expenses will be finalized once airfare is purchased.

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**Team Participant Application**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
(PLEASE PRINT FULL NAME AS IT APPEARS ON YOUR PASSPORT)

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ MOBILE PHONE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

YOUTH or ADULT (circle one) if youth, grade you will complete by June \_\_\_\_

LEVEL OF PROFICIENCY IN SPANISH: None \_\_\_ Beg \_\_\_ Good \_\_\_ Fluent \_\_\_

INTERNATIONAL LIVING AND TRAVEL EXPERIENCE:  
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MISSION TRIPS / TEAM I HAVE BEEN A PART OF: (when, where, how long)  
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PASSPORT NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ EXP DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
(passport must be valid for 6 months after the trip dates)

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY CONTACT:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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DOES YOUR HEALTH INSURANCE COVER YOU ABROAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IF YES, PLEASE LIST INSURANCE COMPANY AND THEIR CONTACT INFORMATION:  
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*THE KILAMBE COMMUNITIES ARE IN A VERY RURAL PART OF NICARAGUA. TRAVEL TO AND FROM THE COMMUNITIES FROM THE CAPITAL OF MANAGUA IS CHALLENGING. THE LIVING CONDITIONS ARE ROUGH AND CAN BE PHYSICALLY AND EMOTIONALLY CHALLENGING.*

PHYSICAL CONDITIONS / ALLERGIES / HEALTH ISSUES:

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WHY DO YOU WANT TO BE A PART OF THE MISSION TEAM? WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO LEARN FROM THIS EXPERIENCE?

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WHAT GIFTS WILL YOU BRING TO THE TEAM AND TO OUR NICARAGUAN PARTNERS?

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ARE YOU WILLING TO COMMIT TO BE ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN THIS PARTNERSHIP FOR THE NEXT THREE YEARS? \_\_\_\_\_

BY COMPLETING AND TURNING IN THIS APPLICATION I AGREE TO PARTICIPATE IN ALL PRE-TRAVEL TEAM MEETINGS AND INFORMATION SESSIONS. I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I AM PHYSICALLY AND EMOTIONALLY FIT TO HANDLE THIS EXPERIENCE. I COMMIT TO BEING A PART OF THE NICARAGUAN PARTNERSHIP DEVELOPMENT AT DCPC AND I AM OPEN TO HOW GOD MAY TRANSFORM ME THROUGH THIS PROCESS.

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SIGN

DATE

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PARENT OR GUARDIAN (if minor)

DATE

**APPLICATION DEADLINE IS March 1, 2024 with \$200 deposit.  
Please submit your application to the church office.**