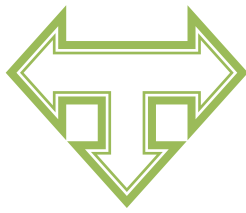


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GUATEMALA MISSIONS TRIP 2012*

Information Packet

For More Information email elevate@asbc.net
or call 757.479.1133 ext 135



ELEVATE MISSIONS TRIP 2012

GENERAL TRIP INFORMATION

- ❖ August 12th - 19th (*Luggage check-in is August 11th; Time TBA*)
- ❖ Information Meeting on **Wednesday, January 18th @ 7:45pm, Life Center.**
- ❖ Turn in completed application to Student Ministries and **\$200 non-refundable deposit by February 5th.**
- ❖ Dates: Aug 12th - Aug 19th (*Please be flexible as these may need to be adjusted slightly*).
- ❖ Apply for US PASSPORT by March 31st. (**Current US Passport must not expire before March 2013**).
- ❖ **Turn in US PASSPORT** to Student Ministries Office by **Sunday, May 13th.**
- ❖ **Cost of trip – approximately \$2000 per person.**
 - Includes lodging, food and ground transportation in Guatemala
 - Domestic and international airfare, plus related charges
 - Misc. travel expenses (luggage fees, exit fees, etc.)
- ❖ **Team Fundraising is required.** The cost of this trip has been set to cover the bulk of each team member's expenses. Please understand that there are additional Team trip expenses. For this reason, team members are **REQUIRED** to participate in team fundraising activities.
- ❖ As funds come in that exceed individual team member's cost, they will be applied to other team member's accounts or overall trip expenses.
- ❖ If you do not have a **2011-2012 ELEVATE Medical Release form** on file, please complete and return it with your application. Medical Release Forms are available in Student Ministries Office and online at www.atlanticshores.org/elevate

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FINANCIAL GUIDELINES:

The following are the guidelines for turning in money into your Missions Account.

PLEASE NOTE: These dates and amounts are set to assist you.

- ❖ **REQUIRED MINIMUMS** are necessary to make travel / lodging arrangements for the team. Unfortunately, we are unable to cover the expenses for team members who do not have the **REQUIRED MINIMUM** turned in. If donations fall short and team members are unable to meet this amount by personal payment, they will be released from the team.
- ❖ We are unable to issue refunds or transfers on payments and donations received, however, 100% of the funds will be applied towards the 2012 Guatemala Missions trip.

DUE TO ASBC'S FINANCIAL DEADLINES FOR AIR TRAVEL AND LODGING ACCOMODATIONS, FULL PAYMENT FOR TRIP IS REQUIRED FOR ANY CANCELLATION AFTER JUNE 1ST.

SUGGESTED PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

	<u>TURN IN</u>	<u>ACCOUNT BALANCE</u>
Feb 5th DEPOSIT	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
March 4 th	\$ 375.00	\$ 575.00
April 1 st	\$ 375.00	\$ 950.00
April 29 th	\$ 375.00	\$ 1325.00
May 27 th	\$ 375.00	\$ 1700.00
June 17 th	\$ 300.00	\$ 2000.00

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FUNDRAISING

MISSIONS YARDSALES @ ASBC:

- ❖ Dates:
 - Mar 31st
 - May 5th

- ❖ Team members will have responsibilities for set up / tear down and rotating shifts for ELEVATE TEAM tables. Take advantage of this opportunity to raise a great deal of funds towards your trip.

- ❖ All team members are expected to be present.

SUPPORT LETTERS –

- ❖ **Support Letter attached. If you choose to write your own letter, it MUST be approved by the Student Ministries Office PRIOR to sending it out.**

- ❖ ***DUE TO IMPORTANT TAX INFORMATION, YOU DO NOT HAVE PERMISSION TO ALTER THE BODY OF THE SUPPORT LETTER.*** (You may, however, add or enclose a handwritten note.)

- ❖ Begin sending out support letters now

- ❖ 50% of your support letters MUST be outside ASBC FAMILY.

- ❖ To receive the self-addressed / postage paid return envelopes
 - Email elevate@asbc.net with number of envelopes needed
 - Complete Support Letter Update
 - Turn Update into Student Ministries Office / pick up envelopes
 - Sunday - Tuesday requests; envelopes ready on Wednesday @ 5pm
 - Wednesday - Saturday requests; envelopes ready on Sunday @ 12:30pm

- ❖ As team support comes into Student Ministries Office, you will be provided with a copy of checks deposited in your name. Please utilize this information for correspondence and “Thank you’s”.

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Dear _____,

I have the thrilling opportunity to be part of my High School Student Ministry's Mission Trip to Guatemala. We are one of several teams from Atlantic Shores Baptist Church that is assisting World Help and Hope of Life Ministries. Our specific team will be going from August 12th - August 19th, 2012.

In recent years, mudslides have devastated areas of Guatemala, leaving thousands of people and entire villages without homes and the basic necessities of life such as: clean, running water, hot meals, sufficient shelter and other basic necessities of life. Previous ASBC teams have assisted with the installation of a fresh water well, construction of community buildings (a church and a school) and the implementation of feeding programs necessary to meet the physical needs of the people living in the village of El Jurgallon.

Our team will work closely with Hope of Life Ministries, helping lead a Vacation Bible School, assist in the feeding programs and be a part of the continuation of other projects in El Jurgallon and other nearby villages.

My financial responsibility for the trip is \$2000 and includes all travel and lodging expenses for the week in Guatemala. Will you prayerfully consider supporting this tremendous need? Contributions for the mission trip are tax deductible and, for your convenience, can be returned in the enclosed, self addressed, stamped envelope.

Donations for the mission trip should be made payable to Atlantic Shores Baptist Church and should be clearly designated with both the trip name and my name (ELEVATE Guatemala Mission Trip 2012 - MY NAME).

If you are unable to help financially at this time, please keep our team in your prayers.

Thank you for praying for us!

Sincerely,

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TEAM BUILDING & TRAINING MEETINGS

- ❖ **Guatemala Team** will meet for Devotions, accountability, team building & trip preparation.
- ❖ Team members will be responsible for planning, organization and implementation of various fundraising events and Guatemala VBS programming.

CALENDAR OF TEAM MEETINGS:

- ❖ **Jan 18th** **7:45pm** **INFORMATION & PARENT MEETING**
- ❖ February 5th 12:15 - 1:30pm Final Application Turn in;
Student Ministries Office open for questions
- ❖ March 14th 6 - 8pm Yard Sale preparation
- ❖ March 31st 6:30am - 1pm Missions Yard Sale
- ❖ May 2nd 6 - 7:30pm Yard Sale preparation
- ❖ May 12th 6:30am - 1pm Missions Yard Sale

More information on the schedule for

Shores Summer Spectacular & Guatemala VBS preparation will follow.

HOWEVER, beginning June 6th, team meetings will be every Wednesday evening.

Time will be announced. Please mark these dates on your calendar and plan accordingly.

- ❖ **June 17th** **12:30pm** **Final Payment / Parent Meeting**
(Notarizing forms)
- ❖ August 11th Time TBA Luggage check in / weigh in