COLOMBIA 2027

10-Year Anniversary Celebration

FIRST COLONY CHURCH of CHRIST







TRIP INFORMATION

DATES (2 OPTIONS)
May 26 - June 2
May 26 - 31

SIGN-UP DEADLINE
January 25

AVAILABLE SPOTS
30

ESTIMATED COST
$2,400

DEPOSIT
$400 non-refundable

TRIP LEADER
Scott Opaleski

QUESTIONS?
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INCLUDED IN COST
Airfare, hotel, meals, travel insurance, ground transportation

NOT INCLUDED
Passport, visa, immunizations, medications, spending money & souvenirs

SCAN TO SIGN UP

SCAN ME

MISSION SUMMARY

Join First Colony's worship leader, Chris Lindsey, along with our first-service singers and second-service band members, for a special trip celebrating 10 years of ministry with the Cúcuta Church of Christ! Together, we'll help lead worship for the anniversary celebration and music at our community outreach events. We'll also serve through medical clinics and soccer outreach, and we especially welcome those with a medical background. We'll bake alongside women from the vocational training center who are starting baking businesses, sharing cooking and baking skills while preparing food for outreach events. Through it all, we'll meet families, pray with them, share the hope of Jesus, and invite them to join our local churches. From medical care to baking, music, and sports, there's a place for your gifts! High schoolers and older are invited to join this special trip of celebration, worship, and service.

TRIP EXPECTATIONS Travel to Cúcuta includes two flights totaling approximately six hours, with minimal time-zone adjustment. Enjoy comfortable accommodations at the Holiday Inn, complimentary breakfast, and opportunities to experience Colombian culture, food, hospitality, and shopping.

PLEASE NOTE There are a limited number of spots on this trip. Available slots will be determined by first come, first serve as you turn in your deposits. This trip is open to anyone attending First Colony who is 14 years of age or older. A parent must accompany those who are between the ages of 14 and 17 years.

CUCUTA, COLOMBIA • MISSION

New Life. Growing Faith.

Discipleship. Education. Sports. Practical care.

GROWTH AND IMPACT • 2017 - PRESENT

2
Churches planted

288
Baptisms

11
City groups started

81,000
Meals served to Venezuelans and Colombians through crisis relief

2
Help and Hope centers serving 130+ children

2
Soccer outreach programs serving 157 children

Property and a church building purchased with First Colony's help for a long-term church home and greater sustainability.

Youth, marriage, and women's ministries established.

FriendSpeak Colombia launched through Zoom.

VED Foundation launched with First Colony's help for vocational training, community and youth sports, and spiritual evangelism and outreach.

Our partners: Great Cities Missions, Ronald and Monica Sabino, Andean Aid, and the VED Foundation.

2026 MINISTRY UPDATE

• **21** baptisms • **10** people preparing for baptism • **2** active home groups led by local believers •
• **3** leadership couples guiding key church ministries • **130** children receiving after-school educational support
• **157** children and youth in two church soccer programs • **23** women earning income from business ideas developed through vocational training • **4** young people started home-based barbering businesses after training
• **10–15** grocery baskets collected monthly for families in need

FIRST COLONY'S 2027 MISSION PLANS

Deepen Discipleship
Support Ronald and Monica Sabino as they reach new believers, strengthen church members and leaders, and start more discipleship groups throughout the city.

Equip Local Leaders
Provide evangelism and discipleship tools to help church leaders share the gospel and guide others in faith.

Support Children's Education
Support two Help & Hope Centers providing Christ-centered after-school programs for underprivileged children.

Connect Families through Soccer
Support two soccer outreach programs connecting children and families with the gospel.

Expand Vocational Opportunities
Support the VED Foundation in creating job opportunities and providing vocational training.

Celebrate the 10th Anniversary
Send a large short-term mission team to celebrate the church plant's anniversary alongside our ministry partners.