HONDURAS 2027

Mission Lazarus

FIRST COLONY CHURCH of CHRIST







TRIP INFORMATION

DATES
June 10 -17

SIGN-UP DEADLINE
January 25

AVAILABLE SPOTS
45

ESTIMATED COST
$2,250

DEPOSIT
$400 non-refundable

TRIP LEADER
Rachel Matthys

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!

DID YOU KNOW?

Mission Lazarus is a holistic ministry focusing on basic primary education, skill development, health education & treatment, agricultural development, and preaching & teaching the Word of God. The mission employs over 150 people in it's various projects working as mentors, teachers, evangelist, caregivers and project managers.

MISSION SUMMARY

In San Marcos, we will serve and support the local church with FCCC partners, Children's Ministry teachers, and other church leaders. We will also install latrines for area families in need of sanitary facilities. Each latrine installed has an incredible impact on the overall health of the receiving family. We will also engage the community through evangelism and local ministry events. Lastly, we will host a teacher treaining and assist with medical outreach.

TRIP EXPECTATIONS Travel involves 1-2 flights totaling four hours. Jet lag is not a factor as Honduras is in our time zone. From the airport, it's a 3 hour drive to the Mission Lazarus Ranch. Plan to sleep on a bunk bed and use shared indoor bathrooms. An up-to-date passport is required.

PLEASE NOTE There are a limited number of spots on this trip. Available slots will be determined by first come, first serve as you pay your deposits. This trip is open to anyone attending First Colony Church of Christ who is 12 years of age or older. A parent must accompany those who are between the age of 12-17 years.

SAN MARCOS, HONDURAS • MISSION

Growing Faith. Changing Futures.

Discipling believers. Equipping local leaders. Investing in the next generation.

GROWTH AND IMPACT • 2017 - PRESENT

2
Churches pastored by Santos and Jessica Espinoza

13
Additional churches under their oversight

1
Home built for Santos and Jessica Espinoza

2000
Families received food during COVID-19

156
Latrines built

250
Teachers reach through six training events

40 Home Bible-study groups

A home built for Santos and Jessica Espinoza

Christian education and scholarships expanding opportunities for children

Lazarus Academy combines education with spiritual formation

Vocational training equips young people with practical skills

Student discipleship helps the next generation grow in faith

2026 MINISTRY UPDATE

31 baptisms • **379** Bible studies • **662** pastoral visits • **830** prayer encounters • **5,965** people prayed for • **8** Houses of Peace with **213** attendees • **184** Lazarus Academy students—**19.5%** enrollment growth • **30** community leaders trained • **11** preachers trained • **100** teachers attended a seminar • **95** participated in professional development • **3** student baptisms • **7** students in weekly discipleship, with **4** more in process • **21** latrines built • **Half** of the campus road completed • **100** cows treated and vaccinated • **100** cats and dogs vaccinated against rabies

FIRST COLONY'S 2027 MISSION PLANS

Deepen Discipleship
Support Santos and Jessica's ministry in San Marcos and surrounding communities through discipleship and new home Bible-study groups.

Equip Local Leaders
Mentor ministers and church leaders, with five leadership-training events reaching 50 local leaders.

Invest in the Next Generation
Provide scholarships for Mission Lazarus Refuge children to attend Lazarus Academy.

Strengthen Christian Education
Support Belsa Rueda's leadership across the schools and Vocational Training Center, along with teacher training.

Provide Practical Care
Build latrines, improve sanitation, and provide a medical clinic.

Send a Short-Term Mission Team
Send one First Colony team to encourage, equip, and serve alongside our Honduran partners.