



FILTER OF HOPE MISSION TRIP COSTA RICA

So, you would like to go on an international mission trip? Wonderful! Our church is partnering with “Filter of Hope” to share clean water and the gospel with the people of Costa Rica!! Here is some more information about this opportunity:

DATES – Saturday, July 30 – Friday, August 5

WHO – Anyone high school age and up

COST – The total trip costs about \$1,600. However, our church is working hard to make this affordable for you. Between our mission budget, scholarships, and missions fundraiser your personal cost will be much lower! For more exact dollar amounts speak with Pastor Stephen personally about the details.

WHAT IS THIS TRIP ABOUT?

In John chapter 4 Jesus is sitting at a well speaking with a Samaritan woman. He speaks with her about physical water in the well. Jesus then tells this woman that she could drink from the “living water” which would satisfy her forever. In that moment she became very interested! Jesus then shared with her that HE was the one who provided this living water, and that He was talking about a spiritual provision. We know everyone needs physical water to survive. Many in the world are sick from poor quality drinking water, and many of these even die from a lack of healthy water. Using special, portable filters you will go with a team to pre-arranged homes in the community. Using a translator, you will help the family set up their brand-new water filter. The best part is that you will then have an opportunity to tell them about the Living Water that Jesus offers them!! Each team member will go through a training process so they will be prepared to participate in these visits. Each morning and afternoon you will be out in the community distributing the filters. Every evening you will have time to debrief with the team and hear and share how God is working all around!

Frequently Asked Questions and Answers from Filter of Hope:

HOW DO WE DISTRIBUTE THE FILTERS?

Our model is wonderfully unique:

- Our local church partners prepare the neighborhoods and families your team will visit.
- Trip participants are divided into small groups and paired with a translator and a representative from the church to visit homes.

- You'll provide families with a [water filter](#), and an opportunity to hear how much God loves them. We also provide Spanish New Testaments for your team to give each family.
- Our local church partners follow up with the families that your team visits, and disciple those who pray to receive Christ. So your team can have confidence that the ministry they are involved in during their trip is sustainable and continues long after they leave through the work of the local church.

WHAT DOES A TYPICAL DAY LOOK LIKE?

Your mornings and afternoons are spent connecting with families in the communities of our church partners; getting to know them; providing them with a water filter; and sharing the gospel. Evenings are spent connecting with your team about your experiences and how the Lord is working. There are always a few special surprises we try to throw in that allow your team to see and experience the local culture.

WHAT IS THE HOUSING LIKE?

We provide accommodations designed to allow you to rest and refuel:

- All housing is clean and secure in safe neighborhoods.
- Most bedrooms have air conditioning, unless lodging is at higher altitudes with cooler temps.
- The food is totally safe, incredibly delicious, and dietary restrictions can be accommodated.
- We supply plenty of bottled water to stay hydrated and use when brushing teeth.

WHAT RESULTS CAN I EXPECT?

- Hundreds of people will have clean drinking water right in their own home – for the next 10 years!
- Many will come to know Jesus Christ as their personal savior.
- Your team will grow close by serving together, and carry a new excitement for ministry back home with them.
- Your team will definitely grow confident in sharing their faith .
- You can build leaders in your church, campus ministry, or organization.
Oh, and you can bet your life will change, too!