



MISSION MEXICO 2020

Information Packet
Salem Alliance Church

Mission Mexico Team 2020

This trip is truly an awesome way to demonstrate God's love by meeting the physical needs of the people of Tijuana, Mexico and to take the next step in your faith. To register for this trip, go to the "Mission Mexico" page under the events tab at flipsideyouth.com. Have any questions along the way? Contact Rachel Knowles at rknowles@salemalliance.org.

Trip Details

Dates	March 20 through March 28, 2020 – Spring Break
Cost	\$750 (See cost breakdown and fundraising opportunities for more information)
Location	Tijuana, Mexico
Ministry	Baja Vision Ministries, an organization Salem Alliance has partnered with for more than 10 years.
Housing	Dorm-style housing with Baja Vision Ministries
Transport	Salem Alliance vehicles (Due to the nature of this trip, we cannot accommodate any changes from our schedule and transportation plan. Space for this trip is limited to the number of students/leaders that we can transport)

Trip Schedule

Fri, Mar 20	Check in at 2:00pm at the Youth Center and depart for Mexico at 2:30pm, driving through the night to the Border.
Sat, Mar 21	Cross the border at approximately 4:00pm and arriving at Baja Vision compound for dinner.
Mar 22–Mar 25	Build houses at work sites throughout the day, and evening sessions at the Baja Vision base.
Thu, Mar 26	Souvenir shop in Rosarito, then cross the border at approximately 4:00pm, spending the night at a hotel in San Diego.
Fri, Mar 27	Depart for Salem, driving through the night.
Sat, Mar 28	Arrive back at the youth center at approximately 10:00am.

Cost Breakdown & Fundraising Opportunities

Cost Breakdown:

\$340	Baja Ministries house building costs
\$230	Food & housing
\$110	Transportation
\$ 70	Misc. (team shirt, Mexican Insurance, water, etc.)
\$750	Total Cost

Great Expectations Fundraiser Dinner (February 20/21):

All students who are participating in Mission Mexico are *required* to serve at our 5-course dinner hosted in the Cedar Hall of Salem Alliance Church. This event acts as a team-building opportunity for students and has a history of raising up to 20% of trip costs for students depending on guest generosity. See important dates below for all Great Expectations related dates. To support this trip as a guest at Great Expectations, reservations can be made at sailemalliance.org prior to the event.

SWEAT:

If you have participated in SWEAT, our fall fundraiser, and you would like to know how much money is in your SWEAT account \contact Rachel Knowles at (rknowles@sailemalliance.org) or call the front office at Salem Alliance, (503) 581-2129.

Support Letter or Email:

All students who are participating in Mission Mexico are *encouraged* to send out a fundraising letter/e-mail to help with their trip expenses. If a student receives contributions beyond their need, the extra monies will be used for other trip related expenses. We are not able to return, refund or apply the extra monies to another account.

Upcoming Dates and Deadlines

Sunday, December 15

Student Application and \$50 non-refundable deposit are due.

Sunday, January 12, 12:30–1:15pm in the Youth Center

Mandatory students, parents & leaders meeting re: Great Expectations Fundraiser
Consent to Travel to Mexico, Consent to Treatment and next payment of \$150 are due.

Wednesday, February 19, 3:30–7:00pm in Cedar Hall

Great Expectations: training and set-up

Thursday, February 20, 5:00–10:00pm in Cedar Hall

Great Expectations dinner: serve

Friday, February 21, 5:00–till done in Cedar Hall

Great Expectations dinner: serve

Sunday, February 23

Passports are due - turn into the Registrations box in the Youth Center

Sunday, March 1, 12:30–2:30pm in the Youth Center

Training meeting: Students and leaders - *Bring a lunch with you*

Sunday, March 8

Final Payment Due

Saturday, March 14, 5:00 and 6:30 and Sunday, March 15, 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00

Commissioning Weekend and Team Meeting

We will be having a team meeting between the 8 and 9:30am service as well as the 9:30 and 11:00am service on Sunday, March 15th.

Thursday, March 19, 4:30-5:30pm, at the Youth Center

Bring well-marked trailer luggage to be loaded into trailer

Friday, March 20, check-in 2:00pm at the Youth Center

Depart Salem for Tijuana - bring a sack dinner with you

Saturday, March 28, approx. 10am to Youth Center

Arrive back in Salem - students will call when one hour from Youth Center

All Meetings Are Mandatory!

Required Forms & Documents

In order to take your student out of country, students and parents are required to provide the following documents. Forms & documents can be turned into the front desk at Salem Alliance's main office, or in the locked registration box in the Youth Center. Consent to Treatment forms & Consent to Travel forms can be found on the "Mission Mexico" page at Salemalliance.org.

- Consent to Travel - Due Sun, January 12
- Consent to Treatment - Due Sun, January 12
- Passport or Passport Card - Due Sun, February 23
(If getting a new passport for this trip, begin this process ASAP. It can take months/weeks to receive).

Consent to Travel to Mexico

Mission Mexico — March 20 – March 28, 2020 (due Jan. 12) *Space is limited.*

This document must be notarized to verify the authenticity of the signatures. If a minor child is traveling outside the United States with someone other than either legal parent, **BOTH** legal parents must sign and notarize this form. If you **are/will be 18 years of age** or older at the time of this trip please skip to the box below.

Individual's Name (herein "Team Member")

Salem Alliance Church
Church (herein "Organization")

Name (herein "Parent or Guardian")

Brandon Miller
Youth Leader or Staff Member (herein "Agent")

Name (herein "Parent or Guardian")

USA, Canadian or Mexican Nationalities must:

- **To enter Mexico:** Bring a passport or passport card.
- **To return to the USA:** Bring a passport or passport card. If you have a "Green Card", YOU MUST BRING THE ORIGINAL. There is a \$170 fine for not having your original Green Card.

All Other Nationalities Must:

- **To enter Mexico:** Call the nearest Mexican Consulate for permission to travel into Mexico. There are some nationalities that are excluded from entry based upon diplomatic relations. Check the Internet or the Los Angeles Consulate General of Mexico: 213.351.6800. They answer the phone in Spanish. If you need to, you may ask to speak to someone who speaks English.
- **To return to the USA:** You must have a visa and Passport that allows re-entry into the USA. If you have a "Green Card," YOU MUST BRING THE ORIGINAL. (There is a \$170 fine for not having your original Green Card.)
- **Consent to Travel Outside the United State to Mexico:** The above-named Parents or Guardian of the Team Member has entrusted the Team Member into the care of the Agent, an adult, and duly authorized representative of the Organization while the Team Member participates in "Mission Mexico," an activity of the organization.

The Parent or Guardian does hereby authorize the Team Member to travel outside of the United States to the nation of Mexico.

Signature of "Mother or Guardian"

Signature of "Father or Guardian"

ALL PURPOSE ACKNOWLEDGMENT

State/country of _____
County of _____
On, _____ before me _____
Date Name & Title of Officer

ALL PURPOSE ACKNOWLEDGMENT

State/country of _____
County of _____
On, _____ before me _____
Date Name & Title of Officer

Personally appeared _____
Name of Signer

Personally appeared _____
Name of Signer

- personally known to me
- proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity, and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal

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WITNESS my hand and official seal

Signature of Notary Public

Signature of Notary Public

Place Notary Seal Above

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18 years of age or older at time of trip

If you are/will be 18 years of age on the dates of this trip, please sign below and indicate your birth date. You may disregard the rest of this form.

Student Signature

Birth date (day/month/year)

Consent to Treatment

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If you are/will be 18 years of age on the dates of this trip, please fill out the top and bottom left side of this form.

Interested Parties

Individual's Name (herein "Team Member")

Salem Alliance Church

Church (herein "Organization")

Name (herein "Parent or Guardian")

Brandon Miller

Youth Leader or Staff Member (herein "Agent")

Name (herein "Parent or Guardian")

I, _____ as (circle one) the parent/the guardian/ the team member, do hereby authorize the Agent, acting as the Team Member's agent, to consent to any x-ray, examination, anesthetic, medical or surgical diagnosis, or treatment and hospital care or service, which is deemed advisable and is rendered under the general or specific supervision of any licensed physician and surgeon, or the medical staff of a licensed hospital, whether such diagnosis or treatment is rendered at the office of said physician or at said hospital.

It is understood that this authorization is given in advance of any specific diagnosis, treatment or hospital care being rendered, but is given to provide authority and power on the part of the Agent to give specific consent to any all such diagnosis, treatment or hospital care which the above mentioned physician, in the exercise of his/her best judgment, may deem advisable. I hereby authorize any hospital, which has provided treatment to the Team Member to surrender physical custody of the Team Member to the Agent upon completion of treatment.

These authorizations shall remain effective through the above periods unless sooner revoked in writing and delivered to the Agent.

Signature of "Team Member"

Date

Signature of "Parent or Guardian"

Date

Insurance Company

Policy#

Address

Claim Office Address

City, State, Zip

City, State, Zip

Home Phone

Work Phone

Doctor's Name

Doctor's Phone Number

Signature of "Parent or Guardian"

Date of Last Tetanus

Address (if same as above, write "same")

Please list allergies, medications, illnesses or disabilities of team member:

City, State, Zip

Home Phone

Work Phone

In case of a medical emergency, or parents cannot be reached, notify:

Name

Home/Cell Phone

PACKING LIST

Remember, think small and compact! You won't need as much as you think you will. Be sure to label all your bags including your sleeping bag! You may bring your pillow and backpack on the bus along with whatever else you will need for 24 hours.

Trailer Luggage – these are the things you won't need until we arrive in Mexico.

Clothing

- Jeans and t-shirts to work in (no tank tops or V-necks).
- Clothing appropriate for warm days and cold nights.
- Sturdy work boots or shoes that can be ruined (no open toes!).
- Rain gear to keep you dry (we work all day, rain or shine!).
- Sunglasses and a hat.
- Swimsuit for hotel pool in San Diego. Girls, one piece or tankini please. Guys, knee length shorts with lining or compression shorts underneath.
- Capris for girls and shorts for boys in San Diego.

Toiletries

- Mouthwash, toothpaste, toothbrush
- Soap
- Shampoo and conditioner
- Baby wipes/ hand sanitizer
- Towels/washcloths
- Deodorant
- Shoes for shower

Other Items-

- Sleeping bag
- Water bottle (large, heavy duty with screw on top)
- Bible, journal, pen
- Personal tool belt (with hammer loop)
- Metal tape measure (16' min.)
- Hammer
- Utility knife w/extra blades
- Pencils (carpenter-type)
- Safety glasses (shaded type are ok)
- Ear plugs (optional)
- Gloves
- Small flashlight
- Large plastic bag (for dirty clothes)
- Sunblock (waterproof, at *least* spf 30)
- Spending money for additional snacks or souvenirs. All meals are provided.

Bus Luggage – these are things you will need before we arrive in Mexico.

- Backpack (to take to and from work site each day)
- Travel games
- Music
- Sack Dinner
- Pillow
- Small Blanket
- Filled water bottle
- Electronic devices are allowed, however you are not promised a place to charge them.

DO NOT BRING...

- Hair dryers, hair straighteners, guns, alcohol, tobacco, cigarettes, knives (with the exception of the utility knife in your personal tool kit), or any other illegal or inappropriate materials.