



Intergenerational: Our church has made a commitment to try to do as many things as possible as a whole family—youth and adults ministering together. We hope to have a good mix of all ages participating on the trip.

The Money: The “individual contribution target” (\$1,000) is the amount that each team member is asked to pay (or to fundraise to cover). We will give team members lots of good, creative ideas! If someone does his or her best but cannot reach the target, we will work to bridge the gap. **DO NOT, NOT APPLY BECAUSE OF PERSONAL FINANCIAL CONSTRAINTS** – we want to help get you there! Also, we will do some team fundraising together to support the Porch de Salomon needs – including fundraising, collecting vitamins and medicine, supplies, etc.

Participant Responsibilities: Some of the qualities that are needed in team members: Good humored, easy going, able to laugh at themselves, willing to give up the comforts of home, patience, willing to share about their faith, flexible to change. It is very important that team members are also sensitive and submissive to host instructions when in Guatemala. Sometimes the norms of others will not make sense to us, but missionaries are the embodiment of Christ. Christ gave up his heavenly prerogatives and took on our form and lifestyle to relate to and minister to us. In mission we, too, give up some of our own “prerogatives” and try to identify with others in reaching out to them. Both adults and youth will be asked to abide by the requirements of Faith church policy and the requests of our hosts, including:

- No drug or tobacco use, or possession of weapons
- Modest dress
- Respect for the people among whom we are ministering
- Not going anywhere on one’s own
- Observing curfew

Team Orientation: We are planning a meaningful and fun time of preparation that will help team members learn more about themselves, each other, mission and God. On their own, team members will:

- Learn background information about their mission field
- Participate in a Bible Study
- Keep a journey journal.

We will also have orientation as a group. During these team orientation sessions, we will:

- Get to know each other and discover who we are as a team;
- Discover why God sends us in mission;
- Be of service in our own church and community.

NOTE: PARTICIPATION IN THE ORIENTATION PROCESS IS NOT OPTIONAL. PLEASE REVIEW THE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS AND MARK ON THE ONLINE APPLICATION ANY DATES WHICH WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE TO ATTEND.

● **Summer**
● **Mission**
● **Trip 2022**
● June 4-11
Porch de Salomon
Panajachel, Guatemala



We are called to be God's hands and feet! Throughout the years, Faith has had a history of commitment to God's work near and far. We are hoping to recommence our international mission work in June 2022 by joining with our partner in Panajachel, Guatemala: Porch de Salomon. We are putting together a team to build a home for a local resident and provide medical clinics in rural mountain villages. We hope this work will:

- Demonstrate God's love in Christ in word and deed;
- Connect participants with local church members and the church universal;
- Increase our awareness of needs to which God calls us to minister;
- Allow us to see God at work in Tallahassee and in Guatemala.

A missionary is "one sent" by God and this congregation. If that sounds exciting to you, read on! And if you think God is calling you to be a Faith missionary, visit www.faithpcusa.org/volunteer to complete the application as soon as possible.

Porch de Salomon

Faith has partnered with Porch de Salomon for 17 years. Porch de Salomon is a unique, progressive non-profit working in the Lake Atitlan basin of Guatemala to bring the first-century church's spirit of adventure, risk, service and even fun to those who live in a 21st-century world. The Porch ministry includes: short-term service teams doing home construction for indigenous people, medical clinics and relationship-building; humanitarian relief to indigenous people; live music and creative outreach and worship for the local Panajachel community.



Schedule of Team Trainings

Sunday, January 23, 4:30-6:00pm: Training Session One

Sunday, February 27, 4:30-6:00pm: Training Session Two

Sunday, April 3, 11:30am: FELLOWSHIP "MISSION TEAM" LUNCH

Sunday, May 22, 4:30-6pm: Training Session Three

Friday, June 3, 5:30pm: Packing Party

Mission Trip Details

LEADERS

Matt Sirmans & Trinity Whitley

LOCATION & DATES

We will be serving June 4-11 in Panajachel, Guatemala through Porch de Salomon (www.porchdesalomon.org). The missionaries there are Lloyd & Melanie Monroe.

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

Porch de Salomon requires that all participants be vaccinated. In addition to this requirement, Faith requests that students 6th-12th who participate be accompanied by a family member. While rising 6th grade is the youngest participant allowed, there is no age cap and we hope that this will be an intergenerational trip!

NATURE OF THE WORK

Our team will engage in construction projects (usually a simple single-family house), medical mission, and offer Vacation Bible School.

INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTION TARGET

Each participant is asked to personally contribute or fundraise \$1,000. The remainder of the cost per person will be fundraised as a group and subsidized through the Witness Committee budget. Scholarships are available. \$100 deposit is due by the application deadline, January 2, 2022.

APPLICATION & DEPOSIT DEADLINE

Online application should be submitted by January 2, 2022 and \$100 deposit turned in to the church office. Checks memo line should say: Guatemala Mission Trip and can be mailed to the attention of Renee Lemonier or placed in her box.