

Ensenada, Mexico 2009

WHAT WILL WE BE DOING?

Some projects our group may do include service projects in the community, building some single-family homes (16x20 house split into 3 rooms), building a church, helping with a medical team, passing out food and much more.

ITINERARY

July 18	Travel to San Diego, then to Ensenada to settle in
July 19 - 24	Ensenada – Service projects
July 25	Day in San Diego
July 26	Travel Home

LODGING & MEALS

We will be staying at a closed orphanage in Ensenada. There are a minimal number of indoor showers and toilets. People sleep on bunk beds and mattresses. Please bring sleeping bags.

The local Pastor's wife cooks and prepares the food. Listed below is an example of a day's meals.

Breakfast	Continental style – hot and cold cereal, fruit, yogurt, English muffins, bagels, or waffles, juice and coffee.
Lunch	Make your own sandwiches before leaving for the day
Dinner	Traditional Mexican meals such as Tamales, Enchiladas, Pozole, Tostadas, Burritos and Tacos.



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IMPORTANT DATES TO KNOW

Students

Each student is expected to participate in activities that happen before the trip as well as while in Ensenada. Tasks while in Ensenada will vary from building, sharing testimonies, helping with needy children, giving food, medical team assistance, outreach events, playing games and running a Vacation Bible School.

Adults

Adults are considered leaders and therefore are paired with another adult and a small group of students. The relationship students build with the leaders is an integral part of the trip. This entails guiding the students through the pre-trip activities (physical and spiritual) as well as the daily activities.

Schedule of Events (please remember dates are subject to change)

Mark your calendars with the following key dates:

March

3 (Tuesday)

Applications with \$150 deposit due to the Student Ministries Office

Make checks payable to Princeton Alliance Church

April

5 (Sunday)

Training Day #1

7 (Tuesday)

Payment #2 of \$150 due to the Student Ministries Office

May

3 (Sunday)

Training Day #2

5 (Tuesday)

Payment #3 of \$150 due to the Student Ministries Office

17 (Sunday)

Training Day #3

June

2 (Tuesday)

Payment #4 of \$150 due to the Student Ministries Office

Passport, Insurance information and copy of Driver's License (adults) due to Student Ministries Office

7 (Sunday)

Training Day #4

28 (Sunday)

Training Day #5

July

7 (Tuesday)

Payment #5 of \$150 due to the Student Ministries Office

12 (Sunday)

Training Day #6

15 (Wednesday)

Final payment \$50 due to the Student Ministries Office

5:30 – 7:00 pm

Drop off luggage

18

TBD

Leave Princeton Alliance Church

18-25

Ensenada Missions Trip

26 (Sunday)

TBD

Arrive Home



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TOTAL COST: \$1600.00

Your Cost: \$800.00

Church Will Work to Raise: \$800.00

\$1600 Covers:

- Transportation to/from airports, to/from Ensenada**
- Food for all days**
- Lodging in Ensenada, San Diego**
- Alliance fee per person**
- Supplies required for building houses and renovating.**
- Activities in San Diego when they return**
- Training materials, books, meetings and t-shirt.**

PAYMENTS and TRIP FUNDRAISING OPTIONS

Payment schedule:

(All payments are due into the Student Ministries Office)

March 3, 2009	\$150 deposit due with application. Refundable only if not accepted.
April 7, 2009	Payment #2 of \$150
May 5, 2009	Payment #3 of \$150
June 2, 2009	Payment #4 of \$150
July 7, 2009	Payment #5 of \$150
July 15, 2009	Final Payment of \$50

To raise the amount needed, here are some options:

1. Send out prayer letters, and seek family and friends to help you get the amount needed for your trip.
An example of a prayer letter is enclosed.
2. Save money that you earn on your own, through babysitting, working, birthdays, etc...
3. Any fundraisers you do on your own, or with your family.



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TRIP COMMITMENT

Once a student/leader is accepted for Ensenada they are committed to meetings and serving opportunities. Attendance at these events is mandatory and essential to a well-rounded experience. Everyone signs a covenant, committing themselves to each of these **mandatory** events. The parent/guardian signs a similar contract (*on the application form*), making them aware of their student's commitments and agreeing to support them in this endeavor.

Participants' lack of commitment in these events affects our group as a whole. Failure to participate may lead to removal from the team. Then, any funds received on a person's behalf become usable to fund remaining team members.

Due to the Church's commitment to fund 50% of this trip, there are no opportunities to "work off" the remaining amount. Team members and their families are 100% responsible for the \$800 cost.

We are all looking forward to a great experience with each and every student/leader, while encouraging them to serve God and use their life to change another's.

If at anytime you have questions about the trip please contact Beverly Beauchamp at (609) 799-9000 x47.

FYI – to travel into Mexico requires a passport, there are no exceptions.

ACCEPTANCE

Acceptances to the Ensenada team happen after turning in the application, the \$150 deposit and the student has been interviewed by an adult. Then you are sent:

- Updated information packet
- Prayer letter
- Passport instructions



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Prayer Letter Example

You may make changes as you wish. This is just a template to get you started.

(You must provide a mailing list to the Student Ministries Office before actually sending the letters out so we can credit your account properly as donations come in to the Church.)

Dear Family and Friends,

This summer should prove to be a fulfilling experience in my journey toward living life to the fullest. I am writing to tell you about how God has provided an opportunity to use my life to **LIVE OUT LOUD** with others.

I am part of the high school team that Princeton Alliance Church is sending to **LIVE OUT LOUD** in **Ensenada, Mexico, July 18 - 26, 2009**. Some projects my group may do include service projects in the community, building some single-family homes (16x20 house split into 3 rooms), building a church, helping with a medical team, passing out food and much more. As part of the team, I am going to be a servant. That is, one who is unselfish with time, talent, and treasure; who has a concern for the poor; and who has a willingness to go beyond their secure surroundings into the unknown of outreach.

You can be a part of my team as you support me. Please pray for the team as we prepare for the trip, as we travel and for the work that needs to happen. You may also help by giving to Princeton Alliance Church in my name. I am responsible for raising \$800.00 through gifts from friends, family and churches before I go. **This sum is due by June 26, 2009**. I am confident God will provide for me as my July 18th departure date approaches. Thank you for considering the joy of partnering with me by giving to meet my goal.

Sincerely,

Send tax-deductible contributions made payable to:
Princeton Alliance Church
Ensenada 2009 High School Missions Trip
PO Box 9000
Plainsboro, NJ 08536

