

STUDENT MINISTRIES MISSION TRIPS



HIGH SCHOOL

Nashville, Tennessee

Sunday, June 21–Friday, June 26

Cost: \$800

Registration deadline: Tuesday, March 31

High school students are heading to “Music City, U.S.A.” this year to partner with City Service Missions, an organization focused on serving and supporting those struggling with poverty in urban settings. As a part of this team, you will support and build Nashville-based ministries through an offering of your time, energy and prayers as you are integrated into a variety of hands-on ministry opportunities.



MIDDLE SCHOOL

Galveston, Texas

Sunday, June 7–Wednesday, June 10

Cost: \$400

Registration deadline: Tuesday, March 31

Mission doesn't always have to be across the globe. Sometimes the most meaningful opportunities are just down the road. This year, middle school students will travel to Galveston to work alongside local organizations focused on caring for the city's most vulnerable. Activities may include neighborhood cleanup, building projects, or heading to a local park to minister to and play with students from the North Broadway neighborhood.



REASONS TO GO ON A MISSION TRIP

SEE THE WORLD

Our travels take us to amazing places around the globe. Walk the highlands of Guatemala, enjoy afternoon tea in Uganda or eat a pupusa in El Salvador. You will add memories to your travel experiences that you will never forget.

ENHANCE YOUR WORLDVIEW

Serving and working with people from an altogether different culture is life-changing. When you step out of your home country and comfort zone, something shifts in your core. You will see the world differently.

EXPERIENCE JESUS

Take a pilgrimage to deepen your faith without the daily distractions beckoning you.

DO WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS TO DO

Jesus tells us to go and make disciples of all nations. He also says to care for the poor. Take a leap of faith to walk in obedience.



WORLD MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Our World Missions committee consists of nearly a dozen dedicated St. Martin's parishioners, many of whom have participated in numerous mission trips. They meet regularly to help shape missional engagement outside the greater Houston area and allocate grants to partner agencies.

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Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous
works among all peoples!

– Psalm 96:3



TRAVEL THE WORLD

SEE OTHER COUNTRIES

HELP MAKE A DIFFERENCE



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MISSION IS ABOUT THE BUILDING UP OF RELATIONSHIPS FOR THE KINGDOM OF GOD. The World Missions Committee invites you to consider how you will be involved in building these mutually-transformative and long-lasting relationships focused on friendship, faith sharing, knowledge, experiences, resources and prayer. All of these offerings reflect a deep commitment in long-term ministry that will afford our communities many years to “Proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ” together.

(St. Martin's World Missions Committee Motto)



SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR

Saturday, March 14–Thursday, March 19
 Cost: \$1,250 (airfare included)
 Age Requirement: 10 years old and up

St. Martin's is once again partnering with Kurt Ackermann and his ministry, Sus Hijos/His Children, to send a team of families to El Salvador for Spring Break 2020. Participants will spend the week at several different government-run orphanages in and around San Salvador. One of the centers is for older, special needs orphans, while another is for all ages, including teen moms and their babies. Activities may include going on a fun field trip with children from one of the orphanages, holding a baby for hours or helping caregivers with laundry or other tasks. Team ministry activities may include Bible stories, skits and music to games, sports and crafts.



COCHABAMBA, BOLIVIA

Monday, June 22–Monday, June 29
 Cost: \$2,500 (airfare included)

A visit to grant partner Amistad Mission in Bolivia is as different as any travel experience you might have. Expect encompassing renewal and transformation, an increased appreciation for gifts personally received and a strengthened faith. This is a deeply relational trip focused on working and playing alongside the children and communities at Villa Amistad and Amistad for Families, as well as exploring parts of the city of Cochabamba and the Bolivian culture.



UGANDA, AFRICA

Early November (exact dates TBD)
 Cost: \$2,750 (airfare included)

Through St. Martin's grant partner Go Be Love, you will travel to the “Pearl of Africa” to serve alongside multiple organizations that care for and protect one of Uganda's most vulnerable population—it's children. Highlights from past trips include: attending a local church service, breaking bread with and hearing from local missionaries, spending hours playing with and loving on kids and assisting with a medical clinic day focused on helping the thousands of children suffering from a crippling foot parasite called jiggers. This is a challenging, yet rewarding, trip that will broaden your faith through a ministry of presence.

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR MISSION TRIPS

Scholarships are available for both domestic and international mission trips. For more information and an application, contact World Missions at 713-985-3811 or worldmission@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

MISSION TRIP PRAYER PARTNERS

Want to be a part of a mission without going on the trip? You can! Join our team of mission trip participants by becoming a prayer partner.

Prayer partners are asked to:

1. Pray for your assigned person before and during the mission trip.
2. Contact three others to join your “inner circle” or team.
3. Wear the bracelet we will provide.

Even if you can only do the first undertaking, you are still eligible and encouraged to be a prayer partner.

ST. MARTIN'S MISSIONARIES

St. Martin's financially and spiritually supports individuals called to the global mission field, in addition to short term mission opportunities.



St. Martin's began supporting Tom Gruen and his family in 2018. Tom, his wife Kelsey, and their three children, Henry, Peter and Gracie, share the Gospel and minister to the underserved children of Uganda, Africa. Tom will be works through EMI, Engineering Ministries International, whose mission is to develop people, design structures, and construct facilities which serve communities and the Church.



St. Martin's began supporting the Barbees in 2019. Marco and Francesca first sensed a calling to international ministry more than 15 years ago when they began working in the northern regions of Ecuador alongside textile artisans. Since October 2017, they have been ministering to the least reached people in the Loja Province of southern Ecuador. Their work focuses on partnering with local ceramic artisans to help develop their products for market in conjunction with creating faith sharing opportunities through Bible studies, sports outreach ministries and mentorship programs.

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2019 GRANT RECIPIENTS



Faith in Practice (FIP) is a non-profit, ecumenical Christian organization that seeks to improve the physical, spiritual, and economic conditions of the poor in Guatemala through short-term surgical, medical, and dental mission trips and health-related educational programs.



Bolivia is one of the poorest and least developed countries in Latin America, where 64 percent of the people live at or below the poverty level. Through their children's village and rural development programs, Amistad Mission is responding to the needs in Bolivia, actively and prayerfully seeking solutions for the root causes of poverty and abuse.



Go Be Love International is a 501(c)3 nonprofit mission-supporting organization established in 2005 under the name Visiting Orphans as a way to fulfill the Biblical mandate given in James 1:27 to “visit orphans and widows in their distress.” Today, their mission has expanded to include caring for families and communities, orphan prevention, and missionary care.



Plant With Purpose seeks to equip rural farming families around the world to increase farm yields, heal damaged ecosystems, improve nutrition, and increase household savings and opportunities. Plant with Purpose offers spiritual renewal to 683 churches in seven countries.