

# Acuna, Mexico

## **WHAT?**

The Mexico Mission trip is for students who have never participated in Navigate or Saturate (formally Equip) before, but plan on enrolling in the summer of 2008. This will be an amazing time for our youth as they minister in the poverty-stricken areas of Acuna, Mexico. The youth at HPC will share the love of Jesus through street evangelism and food outreaches.

**\*Please note that 21 spots will be reserved for students. There will be 4 adults on this trip as supervision.**

## **WHERE?**

Acuna, Mexico is located 6 miles across the Mexican border from Del Rio.

## **WHEN?**

July 28-August 4, 2008

## **WHY?**

A mission trip can be one of the greatest experiences in a Christian's life. The mission of Healing Place Church is to be a healing place for a hurting world. One of our core values here at HPC is to reach—to reach out to a lost and dying world to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ, to reach out to people who are hurting or traditionally overlooked, to reach across the ocean to provide spiritual and physical help to those in need, and to reach the World by sending out fully committed disciples in order to fulfill the great commission of Matthew 28.

All year long in HPC Student Ministries, we teach the students that their mission is to stand up, stand out and to change the World. Participating in a mission trip will help expand your teen's perspective of God's will for his/her life, will help your student appreciate all that God has blessed them with, and will help build a passion for other people. Their life will never be the same!

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### **TRAVEL ACCOMMODATIONS?**

We will travel in charter buses to Acuna, Mexico.

### **LODGING?**

We will stay at Daisy Inn in Acuna, Mexico.

### **WHO WILL WE BE WORKING WITH?**

We will be partnering with John and Dorothy Novara, missionaries to Mexico, to minister to the people in Acuna, Mexico.

### **WHAT WILL WE DO?**

We will do street evangelism using dramas, personal testimonies and witnessing to share the Gospel of Christ to the people. We will also be doing food outreaches as well as participating and helping in their local church services.

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## **COST?**

\$635 (non-refundable)

**This cost includes:** travel accommodations, lodging, adult supervision, all food, travel insurance, and outreach supplies.

**The cost does not include:** spending money for the trip to and from Mexico, and passport fees.

## **WHO IS THE LEADERSHIP GOING ON THE TRIP?**

The trip is being led by Pastor Tyler Tullos, Pastors Eddie and Megan Guerra.

## **WHAT ELSE DO I NEED IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE?**

- **Notarized parental permission form.**  
If parents are divorced, you will need the signature and a copy of legal documentation showing that the parents who signed the form have full custody.
- **Signed liability release form**
- **Doctor's approval**
- **Approved HPC missions application.**

## **PASSPORT INFORMATION?**

A passport is an internationally recognized travel document that verifies the identity and nationality of the bearer. A valid U.S. passport is required to enter and leave most foreign countries. Only the U.S. Department of State has the authority to grant, issue or verify United States passports.

### **New Application for a U.S. Passport**

To obtain a passport for the first time, you need to go in person to the Bluebonnet General Mail Facility on Bluebonnet Blvd, or any other qualifying post office with two photographs of yourself, proof of U.S. citizenship, and a valid form of photo identification such as a driver's license.

Normally Routine Service passports are received within 6 weeks. Currently, it is taking up to 10 weeks. You need to apply for your passport no later than **Monday, May 12th** to be safe.

### **Current Fees of Passports are as follows:**

Under Age 16: The passport application fee is \$52. The execution fee is \$30. The total is **\$82**.

Age 16 and older: The passport application fee is \$67. The execution fee is \$30. The total is **\$97**.

### **How to Apply?**

Please visit <http://travel.state.gov/passport> to get accurate and current information.

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## APPLICATION PROCEDURES?

- Read this entire packet thoroughly.
- Pray about participating in Student Ministries Go Global Missions Trip 2008.
- Fill out the following Pre-Application and turn in by March 8<sup>th</sup>.
- Attend the Go Global Workshop.
- Go online to [healingplacechurch.org](http://healingplacechurch.org) keyword: Missions and fill out the HPC Application.
- Turn in your first \$200 deposit.

## IMPORTANT DATES?

March 8<sup>th</sup>-Go Global Mandatory Mission Workshop (10am-1pm at Highland Campus Sanctuary)  
March 8<sup>th</sup>-Pre-Application Due  
March 28<sup>th</sup>-HPC Application Due  
April 4<sup>th</sup>-\$200 Non-Refundable Deposit Due  
May 2<sup>nd</sup>-Non-refundable \$200 Payment Due  
May 12<sup>th</sup>-If you don't already have one, apply for a passport by this date  
May 31<sup>st</sup>-Team Training and Drama Practice (10am-12pm at Annex)  
June 14<sup>th</sup>-Team Training and Drama Practice (10am-12pm at Annex)  
June 28<sup>th</sup>-Team Training and Drama Practice (10am-12pm at Annex)  
June 24<sup>th</sup>-July 27<sup>th</sup>-Mexico Missions Fasting Prep  
June 27<sup>th</sup>-Non-Refundable Balance of \$235 Due.  
July 12<sup>th</sup>-Drama Practice (10am-12pm at Annex)  
July 20<sup>th</sup>-Prayer and recognition of Mexico Missions Team at Highland Campus Service (12pm)  
July 21<sup>st</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>- Mexico Team Morning Prayer and Devotion Prep (5:30am-7:30am at Annex)  
July 23<sup>rd</sup>- Prayer and recognition of Mexico Missions Team at Refuge and PathFinder Services (6:30pm)  
July 26<sup>th</sup>-Team Training and Drama Practice (10am-12pm)  
July 26<sup>th</sup>- Prayer and recognition of Mexico Missions Team at Highland Campus Service (12pm)

## CONTACT INFORMATION?

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or visit our website: [pathfinders.healingplacechurch.org](http://pathfinders.healingplacechurch.org) or [refuge.healingplacechurch.org](http://refuge.healingplacechurch.org)

## FUNDRAISING INFORMATION?

**Please, do not let the cost of this trip keep your student from participating. We believe that God will provide every penny for any student who truly has a desire to go. Please note, that no scholarships will be provided for mission trips. It will be up to each missionary to raise his/her own funds. We have provided you some great fundraising ideas below:**

### 1) Envelope Fundraiser

Distribute 50 envelopes individually numbered 1 to 50 and ask that participant to fill the envelope with the amount of money written on the outside (1 to 50). Give them 2-5 weeks to fill up their envelope, and then keep up with who took what envelope to follow up with them later. If all 50 people give you the amount requested, it will add up to \$1,275.00. You might include a self-addressed, stamped envelope inside what you send them so that they can mail you a check back.

### 2) Egg Cracking

Go door to door of people that you know with several carton of eggs. Tell them that for every \$5 they give you, they can crack an egg on your head, or you will crack it on your own head. You could even invite friends to help you out!

### 3) Have a \_\_\_\_\_ a-thon

For example, have a bike-a-thon, pump iron-a-thon, skate-a-thon, walk-a-thon, prayer-a-thon, etc. Get sponsors to pledge a set donation for every mile you walk, skate, ride . . . you get the point. Set a goal and let the sponsor know beforehand so they have an idea of how much they will have to pay.

### 4) Dirt Buster Day

Clean people's homes, garages or yards for a set fee. You might break it down to \$20 per yard and \$25 per house.

### 5) Make and Sell

Make and sell things like Bible or book covers, woodwork, printed notepads, dolls, stuffed animals, jewelry, etc. Make a sample to show people and then take orders. Make them as soon as you get the orders, if at all possible, in case the customer is using it as a gift.

### 6) Doggy Dip

Offer to give people's pets a bath for a set fee. Advertise with signs and posters around your neighborhood. Set up several metal or plastic tubs where they are easily seen. Have the owners stand nearby in case their pets need to be calmed. Wash and dry the pets. Collect the money when you are finished.

### 7) Babysit

Offer one night (or several nights) for parents to let you watch their kids.

### 8) Garage Sale

Announce to your friends and family that you're doing a garage sale and ask them to donate items. You can also go around to local garage sales and ask them to donate what is left when their sale ends. Then put on your garage sale! Make sure to advertise to your church and community.

### 9) Save Your Allowance

If you receive an allowance, save every penny of it, and make some sacrifices this summer. For example, don't go to the movies as much, or don't buy as many snowballs!

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## STUDENT MINISTRIES GO GLOBAL MISSION TRIP CHECKLIST

- \_\_\_ Attend the Go Global Workshop, March 8<sup>th</sup>.
- \_\_\_ Go online to [healingplacechurch.org](http://healingplacechurch.org) keyword: missions and fill out the HPC online application by March 28<sup>th</sup>.
- \_\_\_ Turn in your \$200 deposit by April 4th.
- \_\_\_ Apply for a Passport by May 12<sup>th</sup>.
- \_\_\_ Sign & have notarized all liability forms.
- \_\_\_ Get a Doctor's Approval (written consent).
- \_\_\_ Pay the non-refundable payment of \$200 by May 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- \_\_\_ Pay the final non-refundable payment of \$235 by June 27<sup>th</sup>.

# MEXICO MISSIONS PRE-APPLICATION

## General Information

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender:  Male  Female

Birth Date: \_\_/\_\_/\_\_ Names of Parents/Guardians: \_\_\_\_\_

## Health

Do you have a physical handicap, disability, or disease that might affect your ability on this mission's trip  yes  no?

If so, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any chronic illnesses?  yes  no

If so, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently under medication prescribed by a doctor?  yes  no

If so, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

## Legal Information

Has anyone ever brought or threatened to bring a civil or criminal claim against you alleging physical or sexual abuse or sexual harassment?  Yes  No

Have you ever been charged, arrested or convicted of a felony or misdemeanor?  Yes  No

Have you ever terminated your employment or had your employment terminated, or has your employer ever reprimanded you for reasons relating to allegations of physical or sexual abuse or sexual harassment by you?  Yes  No

Have you ever been reprimanded as a student for harassment (sexual or otherwise) or other inappropriate behavior with another individual?  Yes  No

If you have answered yes to any of the above, please explain below.

## Personal Information

List your church involvement and leadership experience: \_\_\_\_\_

What are some abilities and talents you feel you have? \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been a Christian? \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe your salvation experience in four to five sentences.

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On a scale of 1-10 (1 being the worst, 10 being the best), how would you rate the health of your devotional life (prayer, study of the Word, meditation, journaling, worship, evangelism, etc.)?

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10

If you rated yourself at a 5 or below, please explain.

Have you ever been on a mission's trip before?  yes  no

If so, where and when? \_\_\_\_\_

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Please explain why you want to attend this mission's trip.

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