



Ohio Dominican University Service Learning – El Salvador

Friends Across Borders

March 1-10, 2013

Please understand that this schedule has been carefully planned so that you know what to expect during your time in El Salvador. However, it is our experience that in order to accommodate to unforeseen situations we will most likely need to make slightly changes before and during the course of the experience. So, please expect the unexpected and anticipate changes in our schedule. Muchas Gracias!

Friday March 1 - Flight Time - Arrival - Welcome

- 7:10 pm Arrival in San Salvador and go to the Retreat Center.
- 9:00 pm Orientation to the Retreat Center, settle in rooms, rest, relax!

Saturday March 2 – Brief Overview and Visit to Santiago Nonualco

- 7:30 am Breakfast
- 8:30 am Introduction, overview of the itinerary, El Salvador Cultural Norms Tips. Expectations of trip. Introduction to Maryknoll and Maryknoll Lay Missioners (MKLM) in El Salvador.
- 12:00 pm Lunch at retreat center
- 1:30 pm Go to Santiago Nonualco, to the site of the assassinations of the North American churchwomen, accompanied by Maryknoll Father John Spain and/or Maryknoll Sister Carol MacDonald, who was present in El Salvador at the time of their murders.
- 5:00 pm Return to Retreat Center
- 6:00 pm Dinner at the Retreat Center
- 7:30 pm Group reflection on the day's experience.

Sunday March 3- El Rosario, Cathedral, Parque Cuscatlan and Getting to Know the El Salvador Maryknoll Community

Morning Prayer

- 7:30 am Breakfast
- 8:30 am Meet with a Dominican Friar at El Rosario
- 9:30 am Mass at El Rosario
- 10:30 am Visit Crypt of the Cathedral
- 11:15 am Visit to the Civilian Victims of the War Memorial Wall, Parque Cuscatlán
- 12:00 pm Lunch with the Maryknoll community at the retreat center
- 1:00 pm Meet with the Maryknoll family and learn about their ministries. Descriptions of 2 service sites
- 3:00 pm Snack/Dividing up donations/sign up for the service sites
- 6:00 pm Dinner
- 7:30 pm Group reflection on the day's experience.

Monday March 4 – Service at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish and Orphanage in San Jacinto

Morning Prayer

- 7:30 am Breakfast
- 8:30 am Service time
- 1:00 pm Lunch at mission sites
- 4:00 pm Return to Retreat Center
- 6:00 pm Dinner
- 7:30 pm Group reflection on the day's experience.

Tuesday March 5 – Service at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish and Orphanage in San Jacinto

Morning Prayer

- 7:30 am Breakfast
- 8:30 am Service time
- 1:00 pm Lunch at mission sites
- 4:00 pm Return to Retreat Center
- 6:00 pm Dinner
- 7:30 pm Group reflection on the day's experience.

Wednesday March 6 – Martyr sites and Soy Program and Christian Base Community

Morning Prayer

- 7:30 am Breakfast
- 8:00 am Visit the UCA, tour of the chapel, rose garden, and museum
- 9:00 am Talk with Gene Palumbo, a US journalist who was here during the war, at the UCA
- 10:30 am Visit to Divina Providencia where Archbishop Romero lived and was killed
- 1:00 pm Lunch at Soy
- 2:30 pm Shopping of artisan goods at Small Community in San Ramon
- 4:00 pm Visit the Puerta del Diablo (Devil's Door), which is a beautiful overlook near the retreat center (optional)
- 6:00 pm Dinner
- 8:00 pm Group reflection on the day's experience.

Thursday March 7 – Service at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish and Orphanage in San Jacinto,

Morning Prayer

- 7:30 am Breakfast
- 8:30 am Service time
- 1:00 pm Lunch at mission sites
- 2:00 pm Service time
- 4:00 pm Return to Retreat Center
- 6:00 pm Dinner
- 7:30 pm Group reflection on the day's experience.

Friday March 8 – Service at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish and Orphanage in San Jacinto

Morning Prayer

- 7:30 am Breakfast
- 8:30 am Service time
- 1:00 pm Lunch at mission sites
- 2:00 pm Service time
- 4:00 pm Return to Retreat Center

6:00 pm Dinner
7:30 pm Group reflection on the day's experience.

Saturday March 9 – Beach Day

Morning Prayer

8:00 am Breakfast
9:00 am Leave for the beach
4:00 pm Leave the beach for the retreat center
5:30 pm Mass
6:30 pm Dinner
7:30 pm Evaluation.

Sunday March 10 – Departure

5:00 am Departure to the Airport
6:00 am Breakfast at the airport (brown bag)
8:30 am Flights to USA