

CBC YOUTH MINISTRY

2018 COSTA RICA MISSION TRIP



OUR MISSION

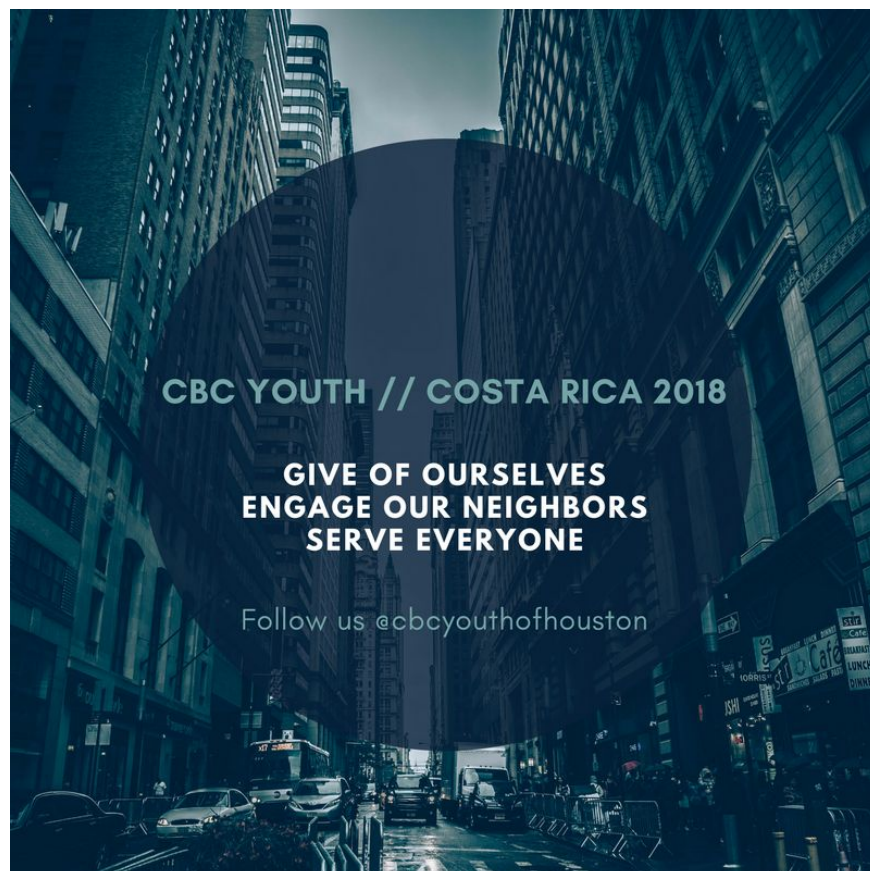
A team of 40 (parents, students, leaders, volunteers, and pastors) will be departing Spring Break of 2018 to Costa Rica. These 40 individuals will be spending their spring break in order to partner with local churches serving their communities. There they intend on working with a local high school, serving meals at a local kitchen in the slums, and working hand-in-hand with the already established local churches to provide encouragement and resources.

OUR PHILOSOPHY

We do not believe that we are going there to rescue people out of poverty. We do not believe that we are some kind of messianic group that will change the landscape of the region in 6 days.

We do believe that we are just called to be faithful to the mission that God has for his people - to love people in word and in action. With whatever resources God has given us, our understanding is that we are to give back. We believe that we must work with already established groups on the ground that will continue to build up those communities long after we leave. So our goal is just to come in and provide some support, provide some resources, and encourage our partners on the ground.

We ultimately believe that what we're doing is in efforts to make disciples of all nations. We admit that these little acts of love are not final, but true change belongs to the Lord so we go with the hopes and prayers that God will change hearts.



WHERE YOU CAN PARTNER

1. Each member is responsible for raising \$1600-1700 dollars and that covers travel, meals, transportation, and some other expenses. However, each member will be your extension on the ground as they serve the children, families, and schools in Costa Rica. They will be your hands and feet for the week as they pray with, laugh and cry with so many people that they meet. Much of your partnership will go towards advancing the gospel through this team.

In addition, each member of our team will be bringing an extra suitcase filled with supplies to leave for the communities (esp. those in the slums).

2. In addition, two of our fundraising efforts will go towards meeting two big needs
 - a. School is such a precious commodity there that many of the students we'll be in contact with don't get a chance to go. Partly because they don't have shoes, partly because they don't have supplies. Part of this fundraising will go towards providing backpacks for as many students as we can take care of. Your funds will go towards purchasing backpacks with school supplies so that students can finally go to school.
 - b. We believe that first hand leadership is through experience. Part of our fundraising is going towards funding two local students from the area to join our team while we are there in order to gain valuable leadership experience.

Any amount you can offer will go a long ways. The church will provide you a tax-deductible receipt for your records. There are several ways to give.

1. **DONATE ONLINE** (Easiest way): Follow this link:
<https://tinyurl.com/givecostarica2018> and Click the "Youth Missions Fund"
2. **DONATE BY CHECK:**

Send check to: Chinese Baptist Church
900 Brogden Rd.
Houston, Texas 77024
Memo: Youth Missions - Costa Rica