# **Building Tomorrow's Missions**

SANTA TERESA / JUAREZ – SHORT TERM MISSION - 2024

<u>The First Baptist Church of Clinton, LA (FBC)</u> Santa Teresa Baptist Church, Santa Teresa, NM (STBC)

Arrive by 5 pm, Saturday July 13 – Depart early am, Friday July 18

Many of you receiving this info sheet have heard of BTM, but until now you may not have given serious consideration to actually coming to one of our events. The purpose of this paper is to briefly explain what BTM is and what we do during our one week together in July — and interest you in finding out more!

The purpose of BTM is to cast a vision among the next generation of church members and leaders for the necessity and urgency for missions by facilitating low-cost, hands-on, in-the-field training and experience in a foreign culture. We integrate pastoral leadership, nightly preaching and teaching, and daily projects such as neighborhood evangelism, Vacation Bible Schools, and work projects.

# What to Expect All BTM participants

assemble on the international border community of El Paso, TX to participate in short-term mission/ministry on both the US and Mexican sides of the border.

WORSHIP: We begin our week together by assembling for worship and the Word on the Lord's Day. We then travel to Juárez Sunday afternoon for a Spanishlanguage service held at our church plant, Iglesia Bautista Pacto de Gracia (IBPG). The afternoon service



is followed by an authentic Mexican meal served by the members of Pacto de Gracia. Pastor John Miller will be preaching both Sunday morning and afternoon messages.

LEARN: We gather for preaching and teaching each night - Monday through Thursday. Typically the evening meetings include singing a hymn, a short message by the host church pastor, then a key note address from the main speaker.



SERVE: Each year we select worthy construction/ repair projects that require skilled volunteers (carpenters, electricians, plumbers, and handymen w/tools). And we need helpers! Concurrently, we conduct three "1/2-day" VBSs on both sides of the border. Our enrollment in Juarez can easily exceed 75 children and teens.

**EVANGELISM:** We have recently added outdoor/street evangelism in Juarez for 'gifted men' in both Spanish and English w/translation. Helpers hand out tracks and encourage gospel conversations with the 'man on the

street.' We direct sincerely interested 'hearers of the word' to visit Pacto de Gracia on the Lord's Day.

## Want More Information

A very good brief history of BTM can be found on the STBC website at <u>http://stbcweb.org/ministries</u>. Look for the link 'Download BTM History'

#### WHO SHOULD ENROLL

High school graduates and older, ideally between the ages of 15-30. Attending parents/legal guardians may bring their own underage children. (We do not accept parental substitutes unless the child is orphaned.)

#### BTM COST

The fee is \$150 per person. Fees include all camp costs, meals, equipment rentals, etc. Children 7 yrs and under are free.

Each person is responsible for their own travel to and from El Paso, TX. If you fly in we will arrange to pick you up at the airport (ELP). Please provide your arrival and departure info at

buildingtomorrowsmissions@gmail.com and please arrive NLT 4 PM, Saturday.

#### WHERE YOU WILL STAY

STBC comfortably supports about 40 people on campus. Space at the church will be assigned on a **first-comefirst-serve** basis. BYO air mattresses, pillows, sleeping bags, towels and toiletries. Men and women are physically divided. Limited accommodations are available for married couples. Showers are available at the church building. You may choose to stay at a motel or Airbnb at your own expense and are required to provide your own transportation to and from the church building.

All meals will be prepared and eaten at the church. A brown bag will be provided to those that cannot return to the church for lunch.

# CONTACT INFO

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#### SCHEDULE

#### Saturday, July 13

Dinner – 5:30 pm

#### Sunday, July 14

- Joint worship service 10:00 am
- Lunch served at STBC 11:30 am
- Depart for Juárez 1:00 pm
- Juarez Service 2:30 pm
- Dinner at Pacto 4:30 pm

#### Monday - Thursday, July 15-18

- VBS 8:30 12 noon
- VBS workers return to STBC for lunch
- Juarez work project schedule determined by job foreman (plan on long days)
- Dinner 5:30 pm
- Evening messages 7:00 9:00 pm

#### Friday, July 19

• Clean up and depart for home

#### THE FINE PRINT

#### Passports/passport cards

Anyone planning to go into Juarez <u>MUST</u> be in possession of a valid passport or passport card. <u>Birth</u> <u>certificates will not be accepted</u>.



A passport is \$165 for adults, \$135

for under 16 yrs. The border card which allows for crossings into Mexico, Canada, the Caribbean, and Bermuda is \$65 for adults, \$50 under 16 yrs. They can be applied for at your local post office. Permit yourself at least 8-11 weeks for processing.

#### Signups

Sign up online at https://www.gobtm.org. The BTM link is on the top right. Please let us know if you would like to be on our emailing list to receive this link and all upcoming correspondence.

#### Liability Waiver

All persons going will be required to sign a liability waiver. We require that you mail this form to First Baptist Church with your payment so that we will have your original signature on file.

The **Signup Sheet**, **Liability Waiver Form**, and **Payment** via check should be sent NLT July 1, 2024 to:

First Baptist Church P.O. Box 552 Clinton, LA 70722