

Cuba Vision Trip – February 2-12, 2018

The group will be based in Matanzas, where the Evangelical Theological Seminary will host us, but will also stay in Havana and Santa Clara. Along the way we will be learning from church leaders and explore partnership possibilities with congregations of the Presbyterian Reformed Church in Cuba. We can absorb the history and culture that shape the ministry context for our partners to the south and discern how changes in relations between our nations will affect them. The estimated basic trip cost of \$2,150 includes international airfare, Cuba visa, food, transportation, and lodging in Cuba. It does not include your domestic travel to/from Tampa or overnight in Tampa which is required for the early departures to Havana.

Mexico: Christ-centered Community Empowerment – February 20-27, 2018

Get to know firsthand how rural villages are experiencing abundant life by realizing the strength of the body of Christ working together in the Calakmul region. Join a movement of holistic transformation that, motivated and permeated by the Gospel, has resulted in better health, improved relationships and a greater sense of dignity through the construction of 448 water cisterns. We will be led by Ch'ol Indian Presbyterians as we help build rainwater catchment tanks. Other activities include: worship with our Presbyterian brothers and sisters, visit Mayan ruins built during the first millennium A.D. and relax for one night near the Caribbean coast in the city of Playa del Carmen. This trip will be led by Juan Sarmiento. Estimated land cost is \$1,200. Deadline to apply is December 15, 2017.

Israel/Palestine/Jordan – May 15-26, 2018

Join Associate Director Marilyn Borst and visit Outreach's strategic partners: Bethlehem Bible College, Palestinian Bible Society and Musalaha (a reconciliation ministry) to learn of their work and witness. We will also meet with other Palestinian Christian ministries to learn how they are seeking to be faithful under pressure and with peace, a seemingly elusive ideal in this controversial but compelling place. There will, of course, be ample time to experience the sites of the Biblical narrative and the places where Christ's life

and ministry became incarnational, including the Jerusalem area, Bethlehem, Nazareth and the Galilee, as well as Jericho and the Dead Sea. Participants will be expected to absorb assigned readings which will help prepare them to explore the history and politics of a contested land, and to wrestle with the often-distorted theologies which have skewed our understanding of what the Bible teaches us about that land and the divine covenants (in both the Old and New Testaments) which were formed in that crucible. Land Cost: \$2,480, double occupancy. Not included in cost: round trip airfare, two meals, tips.

Mozambique – June 11-21, 2018

For more than a decade, The Outreach Foundation has helped to facilitate a creative holistic evangelism project in Tete Province that demonstrates God's love through churches, schools, clinics, water projects, health initiatives, leader training and more. Over seventy congregations have been established. Trip leaders will be project director Rev. Nedson Zulu, public health nurse Sebber Banda and Outreach Trustees Berry Long and Tom McDow. Estimated land cost is \$2,300.

Lebanon: Faithful Women on the Road – July 18-30, 2018 (Waiting List Only)

The Outreach Foundation invites you to consider joining a group of women from Presbyterian churches around the U.S. on a unique mission vision journey to the Middle East. The group will meet, learn about and build personal relationships with Presbyterian women from Syria and Lebanon. This trip is led by Marilyn Borst.

Brazil: Church Legacy and Dynamism – August 24-31, 2018

Experience the vibrant commitment of our Brazilian partners to church planting as a key vehicle for sharing the Gospel in their communities. Hear from church visionaries, learn from practitioners and spend time exploring how God is at work in Brazil and what we can learn about it for the ministries of our own congregations. We will also become familiarized with SARA, a ministry developed in partnership with The Outreach Foundation which develops healthier pastoral leaders and congregations through mentoring. Associate Director Juan Sarmiento and Outreach's Portuguese-Language Ministries Coordinator José Carlos Pezini will co-lead this trip. Estimated land cost is \$1,480

China: Remarkable Faithfulness and Growth-Shandong and Jiangsu Provinces – October 11-22, 2018 This trip will give you exposure to the unparalleled ways in which the church is growing in China today and the endurance that carried them through the challenging circumstances of past generations. Our itinerary will include the cities of Shanghai and Jinan visiting Christian councils, seminaries, and cultural sites paying special attention to both Presbyterian heritage and opportunities for continued partnership and exchange with one of the most vibrant churches in the world. This trip will be led by Juan Sarmiento. Estimated land cost is \$1,700. Deadline for application and deposit is July 1, 2018.

Egypt – November 1-12, 2018- In the midst of upheaval and uncertainty the Presbyterian Church of Egypt is planting churches throughout the country. We will visit some of those initiatives in and around Cairo. We will also spend time at the Evangelical Theological Seminary of Cairo (ETSC) which marks 150 years of training leaders for that Church. We will not neglect the outstanding history of Egypt with visits to the Pyramids of Giza and the Cairo Museum and exploring the ancient Christian past of the city. Three days will be spent in Luxor, where the Synod of the Nile is breathing new life into waning village congregations through its church revitalization initiatives. We will experience the wonders of ancient Egypt to be found in the Valley of the Kings and at the spectacular Karnak Temple. The trip will be led by Marilyn Borst. Estimated land cost is \$2,150.

Pakistan – September 2018

Executive Director Rob Weingartner will lead this trip to learn from and encourage partners in one of the most difficult places to be a Christian. We will be based on the secure campus of one of those partners – Forman Christian College – where we will meet with students and faculty. Day trips will be made to visit the Presbyterian seminary in Gujranwala, as well as villages where the Presbyterian Church in Pakistan gives brave witness to the Good News.

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*For I am longing to see you so that I may share with you some
spiritual gift to strengthen you – or rather so that we may be
mutually encouraged by each other's faith, both yours and mine.*

— Romans 1:11-12