

Managua, Nicaragua



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Forward Edge Team #806 (Individuals Team)

February 19-26, 2011

WHAT WILL WE BE DOING?

Whether hugging a child at the dump school, visiting babies and children at the local orphanages or assisting the laborers at the Village of Hope, there will be a vast array of opportunities to help and to demonstrate God's love to the people you meet in Nicaragua. It will be an amazing experience for each one of you.



Forward Edge is developing property and building *Villa Esperanza*, the "Village of Hope" in Managua. The *Villa* is a safe haven for abused or otherwise at-risk children. You will have the opportunity to visit or stay at the *Villa* and work along side the laborers as we work towards completion of the *Villa*.

Villa Esperanza, team homes and the rancho
Forward Edge will work directly with the group leader, Greg Moore to match the gifts and desires of the team to the projects, as we prepare a schedule for the week that best fits your team.

You can expect to attend church services at Verbo's El Faro Church, "Lighthouse" Church. El Faro is located near Managua's city dump, called La Chureca. Families from La Chureca attend El Faro for church services. Each day your team will experience daily devotionals and nightly debriefs as a team, with the hope and prayer that God reveals himself to each team member in a new way.

God has called each of you to be his hands and feet for him while serving in Nicaragua. This could be a life-changing opportunity for you.

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

Please contact **Greg Moore**, the Group Leader for this team at 503.502.9976 or greg.g.moore@comcast.net. Greg will be in touch with Kay Moore, Forward Edge International Nicaragua Coordinator at 360.574.3343 or kay@forwardedge.org



Serve those living in *La Chureca*, the city dump.

Everyone
should have
an
opportunity
to change a
LIFE.



Build relationships with the vulnerable children in Managua!

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Come to the Edge...
where you will discover in a deeper
way who God is, who you are and
what God can do through you.

WHERE WILL WE STAY?

The team homes will be ready for you at *Villa Esperanza*. Each home will have twin beds with sheets and towels provided. There is a shower and bathroom in each of the homes. Your meals will be prepared by local Nicaraguan women, you will eat as a team in the newly completed Rancho. Transportation to different ministry sites is provided by a privately owned company.

COST:

The fee of **\$695** covers 7 days of food, lodging, transportation in Nicaragua, practical preparatory materials, an experienced on-site facilitator and complete logistical coordination. It does not include your flights to and from Nicaragua. **There is a \$5 (USD) entrance fee**, payable in cash as you enter. You will need to show your passport and an immigration form (which will be given to you on your flight before you arrive). Keep the form, as you will need it to exit the country. **Trip insurance is required and it will cost approximately \$20.** We'll help you obtain insurance two weeks before departure.

TO KNOW:

Culturally, it is important to bring small gifts as a sign of appreciation for your hosts. Please talk as a team about what you could bring to bless those who serve you in Nicaragua. Souvenirs from your home state, twin sheets or towels will help greatly help our hosts as they prepare for many teams. Calendars, chocolate and tea are always great gifts.

PASSPORT:

A passport is required to enter Nicaragua. If you don't have a passport, you can apply for one by contacting your local post office. Waiting time for a passport can be lengthy, so don't delay. If you already have a passport, be sure that it **extends 6 months beyond the date of arrival, which is August 19, 2011**. No other identification is needed.

OTHER QUESTIONS:

As soon as Forward Edge receives completed applications, we'll send you a team pack: T-shirt, training materials that includes our S.U.R.F. Training DVD and information on Nicaragua. Please contact your group leader for more information and the leader will be in contact with Forward Edge.

IMMUNIZATIONS: The Government of Nicaragua does NOT require any additional shots or immunizations to enter the country, however Forward Edge highly recommends that all team members are be current in the tetanus vaccinations. We also recommend you consult your personal physician if you have any other medical questions.

IMPORTANT DATES

December 7, 2010
Coordination Agreement, Application Liability Release Forms plus \$175 non-refundable deposit DUE.

January 11, 2011
Final Payment of \$520 DUE.

February 1, 2011
Trip/Travel insurance secured DUE



Meet the girls living at *Villa Esperanza!*

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Team #806 Coordination Agreement

It has been agreed by _____ (Individual) that **Forward Edge International (FEI)** shall proceed in securing a reservation and making arrangements for this Individual on a short term mission team (**Team #806**) to: (**Managua, Nicaragua**).

Trip Dates: February 19-26, 2011

Total Team Fee: \$695.00 per person

Due Dates:

Date: December 7, 2010: \$175.00 Non-refundable deposit due with Coordination Agreement, application & release forms

Date: January 11, 2011: \$520.00 Final Payment due

Date: February 1, 2011: Trip/Travel Insurance due

Please initial that you have read and agree to the following statements:

_____ I understand the team fee includes food, lodging and transportation on-site, an experienced facilitator, practical preparatory materials and logistical coordination. It does not include transit expenses to location, such as airfare, or medical insurance.

_____ It is agreed that a non-refundable fee of **\$175** shall be paid to FEI that will be used towards the total team fee identified above.

_____ The team fee payments are accepted in two payments. Payment dates are identified at the top of this agreement. Final payment needs to be received no later than 30 days prior to departure. Payments may be made online at www.forwardedge.org. Please **identify your name, team number and amount** in the fee box next to "team fees" on the donation page.

_____ Any cancellations made less than 30 days prior to the departure date are not entitled to a refund of team fees.

_____ The fee applies only to the destination and time period mentioned above.

_____ As a team member, I agree to cover the required training materials provided by FEI. It is strongly recommended that each team member adequately prepare themselves for the mission trip experience.

_____ *FEI is a Christian organization; we welcome participation from people of other Christian traditions. We have found such relationships to be beneficial to all involved, provided they approached with sensitivity. Our field partnerships are with indigenous Christians—usually churches—and it is important to our ongoing work that team members be sensitive to their beliefs as well as to their culture. Please read and consider our statement of faith. If you feel that you can work side by side with us, we welcome you to join us in our humanitarian endeavors.*

_____ I agree to purchase flights based on the instructions that FEI provides for my trip. I also understand that FEI advises me to purchase trip insurance for my airfare in the event that there is an interruption of my trip (natural disaster, illness prior to my departure, etc).

_____ The church sponsoring this team has read and agrees to work according to FEI's Statement of Faith listed below:

1. We believe in God the Father, who through Christ created the heavens and earth, who is perfect in holiness, infinite in wisdom, measureless in power.
2. We believe in Jesus Christ, God's only begotten Son, fully God and fully man, conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, sinless in this life, making atonement for the sins of the world by His death on the cross.
3. We believe in His resurrection, His ascension into heaven, and His high-priestly intercession for His people that they may experience full salvation and His indwelling presence.
4. We believe in His personal, visible return to earth according to His promise.
5. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Third Person of the Godhead, sent to convict the world of sin, and to regenerate, sanctify and empower those who believe in Jesus Christ.

6. We believe that all people by nature and by choice are sinners, but that God so loved the world that He sent His only begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.
7. We believe that those who put their faith in Christ as Lord and Savior will rejoice in God's presence for eternity, but those who refuse to put their trust in Him will be forever separated from Him.
8. We believe that the Bible is God's Word, divinely and uniquely inspired, absolutely trustworthy, and having supreme authority in all matters of faith and conduct.
9. We believe in the Church, the body of Christ, of which Christ Himself is the Head, and of which all regenerated people are members.
10. We believe that Christ commissioned the Church to proclaim the gospel in word and deed throughout the world, to encourage believers in the faith, and to teach and train believers in the principles of godly, fruitful living.

As a team member, I understand FEI's Core Values listed below and agree to uphold them with the team as we prepare and travel with Forward Edge:

Grace Not Works. We believe the message of Jesus means all people everywhere can have an intimate relationship with God based entirely upon His unmerited favor (grace), not their good works.

Relationships are Critical. We believe people are more important than tasks or programs. Relationships – with God and others – are the spiritual core of the Christian life.

Every Christian a Minister. We believe God has given every Christian special gifts and abilities, and that He intends to use each of us in unique and significant ways to further His purposes.

Unity Among Believers. We believe unity and cooperation among believers is more important than agreement on peripheral doctrine. In matters of doctrine, we seek to major in the majors and minor in the minors.

God Uses Ordinary People. We believe the mission of the church will be accomplished by ordinary people, not a handful of super-gifted leaders.

Servant Leadership. We believe Christian leaders are first and foremost servants. Their focus should be equipping *other Christians* for ministry.

God is Always at Work. We believe God is always at work in the world around us, and that seeming "detours" from our plans – whether on mission trips or in our everyday lives – are often His way of introducing HIS plan.

As a team member, I agree to uphold FEI's Code of Conduct personally and with the team while on location.

Forward Edge is committed to cultural and spiritual sensitivity at each of its locations. Therefore all employees, volunteers and team members must agree to withhold from any activity that may compromise the overall relationships and effectiveness of its service while on location. In general, all employees, volunteers and team members are asked to refrain from alcohol consumption, drug use, questionable or vulgar language, public displays of affection or any other culturally offensive behavior while on location with the team.

Team Member:

Forward Edge International

By _____
Signature,

By Kay Moore
Team Coordinator

Date _____

Date July 29, 2010

The following address and contact information will be used in all future communication. If this is not correct, please make any required changes on this agreement before returning it to us. Contact us at **360.574.3343** with any questions.

Team member:

Please sign and return this Coordination Agreement with a \$175.00 check to:

Address:

Forward Edge International

Phone:

15121-A NE 72nd Avenue

E-mail:

Vancouver, WA 98686.1928



Individual Application

I am
applying
for:

Date of Trip: _____

Destination: _____

Team Number: _____

Included with this application is my non-refundable first payment of
\$175.00 which I have paid* : with a check online through the FEI
Website

**The non-refundable deposit will be used towards your team*

fees.

Full Name (as it appears on your Passport or Driver's License):

Preferred Name: _____

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<http://www.facebook.com/forwardedge>
<http://twitter.com/ForwardEdge>

personal
information

Passport Number: _____

Issue Date: _____

Issuing Country: _____

Expiration Date: _____

Birth Date: _____

Gender: M F

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone Number (Home): _____

Phone Number (Cell): _____

E-mail Address: _____

How did you hear about Forward Edge? (Please be
Specific) _____

Marital Status: _____

Spouse's Name: _____

T-shirt Size (unisex adult sizes – please select): S M L KL KL

emergency
information

Are any family members traveling with you on this
trip Y N

If so, whom and how are you related?

Emergency Contact: _____

Relationship: _____

Phone Number (Home): _____

Phone Number (Cell): _____

Describe your health: Excellent Good Fair Poor

Allergies: _____

Physical limitations: _____

Medical conditions: _____

Medications currently using:

medical
background

Name of Home Church:

Denomination/Affiliation:

church
information

Street Address:

City, State, Zip:

Phone Number:

Name of Senior Pastor:

Number of years attending:

Name of Youth Pastor:

How long have you been a Christian?

experience
and skills

Occupation:

Languages spoken besides English:

Medical training (if applicable):

Please list previous mission experience (if applicable):

Please list talents and/or special gifts (i.e music, construction, etc):

Please list previous or current professional experience (if applicable):

questions

What motivated you to be a part of this mission trip?

What concerns and or reservations, if any, do you have about this trip?

What expectations do you have for this trip?

agreement
and signatures

Forward Edge International's Code of Conduct

Forward Edge International is committed to cultural and spiritual sensitivity at each of its locations. Therefore, all employees, volunteers and team members must agree to withhold from any activity that may compromise the overall relationships and effectiveness of its services while on location. **All employees, volunteers and team members are asked to refrain from alcohol consumption, drug use, questionable or vulgar language, public displays of affection or any other culturally offensive behavior while on location with the team.**

I understand the expectations and guidelines during this trip with Forward Edge International and agree to adhere to Forward Edge's Code of Conduct while on location with the team. I understand that I am REQUIRED to purchase traveler's/trip insurance for all international Forward Edge trips. I agree to do so in accordance with

this requirement. I have completed this application form honestly and have answered all questions to the best of my ability. I also understand, by signing, that pictures taken of me on-site may be used by Forward Edge International, unless I request otherwise.



Applicant's Signature (or legal guardian, if applicant is under 18 years of age. Must be handwritten):

Date:



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Applicant (if applicable):

Liability and Medical Release

Date of Trip:

Destination:

Team Number:

Team (Name of Church Group/Organization):

Forward Edge International is a relief and development organization that mobilizes ordinary people like you to share Christ's love with those affected by poverty, disaster and sickness in the U.S. and around the world. Sending volunteers around the world has many risks, but we believe God desires to use ordinary people to share His love, rather than only those with doctorate degrees and dozens of credentials. In fact, ordinary people like you *will* change the lives of those you serve FOREVER! We understand that you are going outside your comfort zone to help the destitute of the world. Thank you for partnering with us to help those in desperate need; and for trusting Forward Edge International to provide a wonderful, safe and memorable mission trip. We hope this mission trip changes your life and your view of the world forever.

I certify that _____ is willing to participate and/or travel with Forward Edge International (FEI) and

Print Applicant's Name

that if I am under the age of 18, my parent(s) or legal guardian(s) fully support my participation. I trust Forward Edge International (FEI) and its affiliates to effectively reach the poor, destitute and hurting of the world through volunteers like me. I know that FEI will work hard to ensure my safety during my travels and therefore release Forward Edge International (FEI) and its affiliates from any liability arising out of an injury, illness, damage or loss that I may sustain during my trip with Forward Edge.



Applicant's Signature (or legal guardian, if applicant is under 18 years of age. Must be handwritten):

Date:

Relationship to Applicant (if applicable):

Medical Liability and Treatment

I agree to let the group leader and/or facilitator make medical decisions on the behalf of _____ in the

Print Applicant's Name

case of an emergency during the trip. I agree to the performance of required treatment, anesthetics and operations that are deemed necessary on the said person in the opinion of the attending physician. I assume responsibility for all medical bills for the said person. Should it be necessary for the said person to return home for medical reasons, I will assume total transportation costs, if any.



Applicant's Signature (or legal guardian, if applicant is under 18 years of age. Must be handwritten)

Date:

Relationship to Applicant (if applicable):

Medical Insurance

Name of Medical Insurance Company:

Policy Number:

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