

What to expect on your first day

Fast Facts About the Trip to Guatemala

Day # 1

- Meet at the airport at 4:00 AM to check in and get organized.
- Arrive in (Atlanta, Miami or Houston). We will stop at the restroom **TOGETHER**. It is important that we all stay together and don't wander off.
- Very short window of time between our arrival and departure. If we have time we can get food. Bring snacks just in case as you will be hungry.
- Board the plane (in Atlanta, Miami or Houston) and arrive at Guatemala City, Guatemala. We will stop at the restroom **TOGETHER**. It is important that we all stay together and don't wander off. *(There is a theme going here!)*
- Get luggage **TOGETHER** and get through customs **TOGETHER**.
- Once all travelers are through customs, we will go out the door and board a school bus for San Andres Itzapa. It is about a 2 hour bus ride to San Andres and the convent.
- Once you arrive at the convent, gather your luggage and go to your room to unpack and get organized.
- Room numbers/assignments will be taped to the doors.
- We will have a brief meeting in the "square" at the convent and then will take a walk around San Andres.
- Mass then eat dinner etc.

Other Info

- Location: San Andres Itzapa, Guatemala
- Accommodations: Convent Carmela de Nazareth, rooms have a private bathroom (shower, toilet, sink, etc.)
- 2 – 3 pilgrims per room, all meals cooked by the sisters
- Weather: sunny, 80 degrees during the day, night around 55 degrees, perfect weather, a mountainous area, beautiful landscape
- Activities/Projects: build stoves, plant gardens, build chicken coops, visit and deliver care packages to the sick, work/play at a mountain grade school, soccer game against a local team, movie night with the nuns, corn bake, work – play – pray - laugh– share **experience Guatemala and its people**
- Cost: \$ 1,450, which includes air fare, room and board, transportation, activities. You will need an additional \$100.00 for souvenirs, food, etc. in Antigua (Cost is dependent on the cost of the price of the ticket.)
- Safety – Guatemala is a poor country and has its share of crime. We never have any activities at night. No one is permitted to leave the convent after dark. The convent gates are locked at dark. All activities are in groups. We do everything together or in small group.
- You need a passport
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