



# THE DOMINICAN DEVELOPMENT GROUP

COMPANIONS IN MISSION

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## Spring Exploration Trip 2016

April 7-13, 2016

**Have you ever wanted to see more of the Dominican Republic and learn more about the programs supported by the Episcopal Church?** Here is your opportunity to take a long weekend to visit our brothers and sisters in Christ in the Dominican Republic and see firsthand the social, educational and religious programs administered through the Dominican Episcopal Church. Many of those programs are supported by our companion dioceses.

This trip is designed to minimize the travel time and still allow the group to see many parts of the country, meet the priests and community leaders who run the programs, and the families and communities who benefit from these programs. The trip will be guided by Karen Carroll and Bill Kunkle. Karen Carroll is a missionary who lives in Santo Domingo and is in charge of organizing the many mission teams who come to the DR each year. Bill Kunkle is the Executive Director of the Dominican Development Group and has been leading mission teams to the Dominican Republic for 15 years.

We will visit Santo Domingo, San Pedro de Macoris, Santa Fe, and Boca Chica on the southern coast, and Monte Llano, San Marcos, Puerto Plata and Mosovi on the northern coast. We will also visit Jarabocoa and Santiago in the middle area of the country and numerous other communities along the way.

The cost for the trip including hotel, meals, and local transportation is US\$700.00. This **does not** include your airfare. The cost for the airfare varies from your departure city but this is generally an inexpensive time of year to travel to the Dominican Republic. We will fly into Santo Domingo on April 7<sup>th</sup>. Participants should book return flights for Wednesday April 13<sup>th</sup> which would allow for a tour of Santo Domingo on Tuesday afternoon. Checks should be made out to The Dominican Development Group and can be mailed to PO Box 272261 Tampa, FL 33688. You may also pay by Credit Card with our PayPal link on the "Donation" page of our website: [www.dominicandevelopmentgroup.org/donate](http://www.dominicandevelopmentgroup.org/donate)

To reserve your spot please contact Bill Kunkle at 813-400-2722 or 813-310-0267 or by email to:

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Space is limited and deadline for registration is February 1, 2016

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**Exploratory trip November 2016**

Space is limited to 10 Participants.

**Thursday April 7<sup>th</sup>-** Arrive in Santo Domingo:

**Friday April 8<sup>th</sup>-** Visit San Pedro de Marcoris area:

**Breakfast at the Hotel**

1<sup>st</sup> Stop: Santa Fe- Santa Cruz church, school and vocational school  
2<sup>nd</sup> Stop: Consuelo- Consuelo tech. school  
3<sup>rd</sup> stop: San Pedro de Marcoris- Clinic Esperanza, San Esteban Church and school.

**Lunch at the Bishop Kellogg center.**

4<sup>th</sup> Stop: Gautier- Santo Tomas church community center  
5<sup>th</sup> stop: Boca Chica- Hogar, San Jose Church and School, and Bishop Skilton Center.

**Reception and Dinner at the home of Bishop Holguin and Milagros.**

**Saturday April 9<sup>th</sup>- Jarabacoa and Santiago**

**Breakfast at hotel**

1<sup>st</sup> Stop: Jarabacoa- Visit Monte Transfiguration church, school and greenhouses.

**Lunch at the Camp.**

2<sup>nd</sup> Stop: Santiago- Check into Hotel Colonial 809-247-3122  
3<sup>rd</sup> stop: Santiago- La Annunciacion church and school

**Dinner at the Hotel**

**Sunday April 10<sup>th</sup> - Santiago and Puerto Plata**

**Breakfast at the Hotel**

1<sup>st</sup> Stop Santiago- Eucharist at Cristo Salvador - visit preschool

**Lunch at the hotel**

2<sup>st</sup> Stop Puerto Plata- Check into Hotel Portofino.  
3<sup>rd</sup> Stop: Puerto Plata- Iglesia San Simon – Bible study  
4<sup>th</sup> stop: Puerto Plata- Visit Local sites and Telefarico (cable car)

**Dinner at the hotel**

**Monday April 11<sup>th</sup>- Puerto Plata**

**Breakfast at the Hotel**

1<sup>st</sup> stop Mosovi- Visit the Divina Gracia Church.  
2<sup>nd</sup> stop Montellano- Visit the Nino Jesus church and School

**Lunch at hotel**

3<sup>rd</sup> stop Puerto Plata- Cristo Rey church and Nino de Amor preschool  
Return to Santo Domingo check into Hostel San Francisco

**Dinner at local Restaurant**

**Tuesday April 12<sup>th</sup>- Santo Domingo:**

**Breakfast at the Hotel**

1<sup>st</sup> Stop 7:30 Eucharist at Epiphany Cathedral  
8:30 Canasta de Lazaro feeding program

**Tours of the city.**

**Wednesday April 13<sup>th</sup>- Santo Domingo:**

**Breakfast at the Hotel**

**Departures**

*\*\* Schedule may be adjusted because of availability of access to programs and time spent at individual sites\*\**