



# THE DOMINICAN DEVELOPMENT GROUP

COMPANIONS IN MISSION

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## Spring Exploration Trip 2018

April 19-25, 2018

**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 18 years.

We will visit Santo Domingo, San Pedro de Marcorís, Santa Fe, and Boca Chica on the southern coast, and Montellano, San Marcos, Puerto Plata and Mosovi on the northern coast. We will also visit Jarabacoa and Santiago in the middle area of the country.

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 19<sup>th</sup>. Participants should book return flights for Wednesday April 25<sup>th</sup>. 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:  
[bkunkle@dominicandevelopmentgroup.org](mailto:bkunkle@dominicandevelopmentgroup.org)

Space is limited and deadline for registration is March 15, 2018

## Exploratory trip April 2018

### Thursday April 19<sup>th</sup>- Arrive in Santo Domingo(SDQ):

Check-in *Bishop Skilton Center*  
Reception and Dinner *Bishop Skilton Center*  
**Lodging at the Bishop Skilton Center**

### Friday April 20<sup>th</sup>- Visit San Pedro de Marcoris area:

#### **Breakfast at the Bishop Skilton Center**

1<sup>st</sup> Stop: *Boca Chica- Hogar, San Jose Church and School, and Bishop Skilton Center.*  
2<sup>nd</sup> Stop: *Andres- Monte Sion Church (under construction)*  
3<sup>rd</sup> stop: *Gautier- Santo Tomas church and community education center*  
4<sup>th</sup> stop: *San Pedro de Marcoris- Clinic Esperanza, San Esteban Church and school.*

#### **Lunch at the Bishop Kellogg center.**

5<sup>th</sup> Stop: *Consuelo- Bob and Ellen Snow tech. school*  
6<sup>th</sup> Stop: *Jalonga- Milagros Holguin community Center and Bakery Program*  
7<sup>th</sup> Stop: *Santa Fe- Santa Cruz church, school and vocational school*

#### **Lodging at the Bishop Skilton Center**

**Dinner** *TBD*

### Saturday April 21<sup>th</sup>- Jarabacoa and Santiago

#### **Breakfast at Skilton Dorm**

1<sup>st</sup> Stop: *San Francisco de Marcoris Jesus Nazareno church/school – Priest Padre Salvadore Almonte*  
2<sup>nd</sup> Stop: *Jarabacoa- Monte Transfiguration church and school .*

#### **Lunch at the Camp.**

3<sup>rd</sup> stop: *Santiago- Check into Hotel Colonial 809-247-3122*  
4<sup>th</sup> stop: *Santiago- La Annunciacion church and school*

#### **Dinner at the Hotel**

### Sunday April 22<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 .*  
3<sup>rd</sup> Stop: *Puerto Plata- Iglesia San Simon – Bible study*  
4<sup>th</sup> stop: *Puerto Plata- Visit Local sites and Teleférico (cable car)*

#### **Dinner at the hotel**

### Monday April 23<sup>th</sup>- Puerta 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 24<sup>th</sup>- Santo Domingo:

#### **Breakfast at the Hotel**

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

#### **Departures- Various times**

### Wednesday April 25<sup>th</sup>- Santo Domingo:

#### **Breakfast at the Hotel**

#### **Departures-**