

Mexico 2027 Interest Meeting Handout

Dates and Location

04/03 – 04/07, El Niño, Mexico (Just east of Tijuana)



Travel and Lodging Information

- Everyone will be responsible for their own airfare, flying into San Diego on Saturday, April 3rd by 1 pm (It's more fun to fly together).
- We will be staying and working in El Niño from 04/03 -04/07. On April 7th, we are driving back to San Diego after breakfast.
- For your return flight, we would recommend getting your flight out of San Diego later in the afternoon/evening to give you plenty of time, as the return border crossing can take a few hours.
- Our transportation will be by van

Other Things to Know

- Tools will be provided; you'll want to bring work clothes, glasses, and gloves. If you want to use your own tools, do so knowing there is a good chance it'll get lost.
- If a youth wants to come without an accompanying adult, they need to be at least in their Freshman year of High School. These students will need to be interviewed and accepted by the trip leaders.
- The most up-to-date info will be posted at uppc.org/Mexico
- Kingdombuildersministry.net/builds (detailed cost info.)
- Online registration is open now, September 27th.
- Last day of registration is Feb. 5th, 2027.

Trainings

We will have 2 Pre-Trip Meetings:

- 02/06 – 9 am – 1 pm
- 03/13 – 9 am – 11 am

1. PASSPORT APPLICATIONS:

- **U.S. Passport** – This is an internationally recognized travel document that verifies a person's identity and nationality. It is accepted for travel by air, land, and sea (\$100-\$130 for first-time applicants, depending on age).
- **U.S. Passport Card** – This is a new, limited-use travel document that fits in your wallet and costs less than a U.S. Passport. It is only valid for travel by land and sea (\$15-30 for first-time applicants depending on age).
- It takes about 2 months to process the passport applications at the regular rate. If you choose to wait, it will cost *twice as much* to expedite the process.
- Passport applications are also available at the University Place Post Office or you can check the official website for more information at www.travel.state.gov.

2. Cost/ Fundraising

- The current cost is around \$600 -\$1000 (depending on a matching grant and the number of people).
- If you're interested in our wreath fundraiser, please email Robin before October 18. Rfawcett@uppc.org
- We strongly encourage letter writing to help fundraise. You'll have a link through the Mexico Trip page that family and friends can give towards your trip.

3. Sample Schedule for work days

7:30AM Breakfast

8:30AM Head to Work Sites

12:00PM Lunch

1:00PM Back to Work

5:00PM Showers

6:00PM Dinner

7:00PM Daily debrief/ Devotional

8:00PM Free Time

10:00PM Bed