Information Packet
SBC Mission Trip to SOW Ministries
February 13-20, 2027
Things you need to know

"If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you" John 13: 14-15

This is a construction based Mission Trip working on completing the first Family House at SOW. Tasks may include plumbing, electrical, drywall, painting or making furniture. Amber and Travis will have directions for the team. You may be working with the construction team, you may be helping Amber with the kids with chores related to the operation of the Blessing Children's Home. This may include cleaning, organizing supplies, caring for children, yard work or delivering supplies to other orphanages.

We hope that you will join us on this Mission Trip with hearts of joy ready to serve. Please understand that Mexico can be unpredictable at times. Hot water and electricity are not dependable, schedules are suggestions and the lifestyle might be challenging for some of us. We encourage you to step outside your comfort zone and serve alongside us for a few days with SOW Ministries.

This is a self funded Mission Trip into Baja, Mexico. All expenses are paid by you for travel to and from SOW in Mexico including lodging and meals. We will have sufficient construction funds for supplies and projects which will be raised by donations from SBC.

SOW is located about 45 minutes to an hour south of the Tijuana/San Ysidro U.S. Border Crossing driving along the coast on MX Hwy 1 to the exit at Puerto Salina/La Salina, Kilometer Post Marker 73 Km and about the same driving distance north of Ensenada. SOW is located a short distance inland. All distance and speed limit signs are in Kilometers not miles.

A mission trip for a family is a unique experience for children but all children under the age of 13 must be in the direct supervision of an adult at all times. This includes excursion trips and while visiting other orphanages. Parents may share this responsibility so others may work. We want to have a safe and fun experience for all that attend and serve at SOW.

Larry and Esther Bousquet will be the SBC coordinators for this trip.

How to Sign Up

Log into SBCTruckee.com or App to sign up and register for this Mission Trip. Registration opens November 1, 2026 and will close on January 4, 2027. **Deposits must be paid at time of registration** to hold your position.

Lodging at SOW's dormitories is limited to a maximum of 28 persons. Usually 12 females and 12 males with a family room/unit that can sleep 4 persons. The family room is available by reservation only. Additional people may participate in this trip if using off site arrangements such as a RV or hotel.

Larry and Esther will be available by phone, text, email after November 19, 2026 to answer questions. In the meantime, contact Amy at SBC office for basic questions. **There will be a meeting on Sunday, January 31, 2027 at 12:15 pm** after the second service to provide additional information for those going to SOW. **This meeting will provide important details** regarding airport pick ups, luggage restrictions, border crossing logistics and meal info. We will answer any and all questions.

MISSION TRIP COSTS / Per Person

Dormitory Lodging		$ 105
Meals		
Breakfast and lunch, age 6 - Adult		$ 130
Children age 3 - 6		$ 75
Children under 3		$ 0
Meals only at SOW		$ 130
Meals out	Individuals will pay of their own meals out	
Transportation to/from Airport (Limit of 14)		$ 50

Deposit of $100 per person is due at registration
Registration closes on January 4, 2027
Balance Due on February 1, 2027

All fees must be paid through the sign up process at SBCTruckee.com or App no later than February 1, 2027.

Travel arrangements
You may drive your car into Mexico, fly on a commercial airline to San Diego, or carpool with someone who will be driving to SOW.

Driving Directions
You will receive driving directions at the team meeting on January 31, 2027 after the second service. We will review this in detail. Mexican auto insurance is required in MX. Some US insurance plans cover a short distance into MX. Ask your insurance company if you have coverage in Mexico up to 80 Km south of the US border.

Flight into San Diego and SOW van services
You may take a flight to San Diego airport (SAN). Arrival times must be early on Saturday so the SOW Van may pick up people around 4-5 pm. Please provide Larry with flight information (arrival and departure dates/times) so these arrangements can be coordinated with Travis (SOW) no later than February 1, 2027. Cost of transportation to/from San Diego airport and SOW is $50 per person (Covers both ways). The SOW van can handle up to 14 passengers. Please limit your luggage to one small suitcase. You may bring an additional soft sided personal item to ride under your seat or on your lap.

It takes about 45 minutes to an hour of driving from the border to reach SOW. If you decide to rent a car in San Diego make sure the car is ALLOWED to enter Mexico and you have purchased the required Mexico auto insurance.

When making arrangements for a return flight from San Diego to home please book a 2 pm or later flight. Coming into the US at the border could add anywhere from 1.5 hours to 5 hours to reach the airport. Please contact Larry for more information before booking your flights.

Lodging/Dormitory Arrangements
SOW has two dormitory style buildings that can accommodate a maximum of 28 persons. They contain bunk beds, bath and shower facilities and linens. Each dormitory holds12 females or 12 males with one family room/unit that can accommodate a couple with 2 small children. These numbers (12 Males/12 Females) may change as the registrations are received and adults/children are assigned into dedicated rooms. The family room does not have interior access to the bathrooms. People staying in this room must go outside and enter into the dorms with the attached showers and toilets. This room is available based on need with infants and children under 3 having priority. It must be reserved in advance. Please contact Esther or Larry if you are interested in reserving this

room for your family. Additional people may participate in this mission trip if using off site arrangements such as a RV or hotel.

There is a $50 cleaning fee per dorm. The cleaning fee will be paid by the SBC Mission Committee.

RV Facilities

Baja Seasons RV Resort is located on MX Hwy 1 at 72km (.5 km north of the exit to SOW). Make reservations and inform them that you are going to be working at SOW. They also have a small motel available on their property which is about a 5 minute drive to SOW. In the past, we have stayed at the Baja Seasons RV Resort. It has full hooks up, a pool, beach front access and a restaurant.

Baja Season's Resort
MX Hwy 1 at 72 Km
Https;//www.bajaseasonsresort.com
+52 646 155 4019

Clam Beach Rv Resort
MX Hwy 1 at 70 Km
+52 646 155 0976
+52 646 809 9388

On Property Arrangements

Prior approval from SOW is needed to bring pickup/camper or a Class B RV van on SOW's property. Please contact Larry and he will coordinate with Travis or Amber on a case by case basis.

Meals at SOW

Dinner on Saturday, our first night, will be a catered meal delivered to SOW. We will be providing a light breakfast on Sunday before attending church services in Rosarito Beach. We will have an opportunity to do some shopping and visit local taco stands for lunch. Dinner will catered at SOW. Breakfast and lunches at SOW will be provided. All meals off site will be covered by each person. Most evenings, we will venture into the neighboring towns to visit the many Taco Stands, Taquerias or restaurants. A detailed menu will be available at our January 31, 2027 meeting. Please let Esther or Larry know if anyone has food allergies or dietary restrictions. We will do our best to accommodate your dietary needs. You can bring your own snacks, however, self serve snacks will be available throughout the day at the dormitory kitchen. We will feed you well.

Typical Day

Wake up, have breakfast, coffee and a short devotional time. As the trip approaches we will learn more of the status of the construction process. Amber and Travis will have daily directions for the team.

Some will be on the construction team, other may be helping Amber with the kids at SOW with chores related to the operation of the Blessing Children's Home. If you are out and about for lunch/dinner you'll eat out. If you are at SOW and opted into the meal program you will break for lunch. Many evenings we will eat out together. We may have the opportunity to take a field trip and visit another orphanage or cultural site.

We will work hard, learn new experiences, have fellowship, meet awesome people and Glorify God with this opportunity to serve.

US Passport Requirements to re-enter the USA

Please remember .... Everyone will need a valid current U.S. Passport or U.S. Passport Card to renter into USA from MEXICO.

Informational Team Meeting

A team meeting for all registered participants is scheduled for **Sunday, January 31, 2027** in RAE Hall after the second service at 12:15 pm. Come and meet team members, finalize meal and transportation arrangements and get answers to any and all questions.

Important Dates

Open Registration	November 1, 2026
Deposit fee of $100 due	Upon Registration
Registration closed	January 4, 2027
Informational meeting	January 31, 2027
Balance of costs due	February 1, 2027
Travel days	February 13 & 20, 2027

Questions? Text, call or email Larry or Esther Bousquet after November 19, 2026, to answer any questions regarding this trip.

Reach us at bousquet@me.com or by cell,
Larry (530) 913-9494 or Esther (530) 913-9464.