

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC



Trip length	Group size	Cost	Age range	Dates
7 days	15 people	\$2,400	Ages 12+	June 6 - 12, 2024

Overview

Our annual mission trip to the Dominican Republic is the perfect missions experience whether this is your first mission trip or if you've been on several. We'll spend the week working at a local One Child Hope Center in Santiago that Freedom Church partners with and many of our attendees sponsor children at. You'll have a chance to learn all about the work One Child is doing in the D.R. and get to spend time pouring into the kids and the staff of the Hope Center.

Rough Itinerary

Thursday, June 6th

Travel from Indianapolis to Santiago.

Quick stop at a grocery store for anything we forgot, orientation with One Child trip leader

Friday, June 7th

Visit the Hope Center and get to know the staff. Prepare for Saturday

Saturday, June 8th

VBS at the Hope Center

Sunday, June 9th

Attend church at the Hope Center and visit with sponsored kids

Monday, June 10th

Home visits in the neighborhood around the Hope Center

Tuesday, June 11th

Rest day at the beach

Wednesday, June 12th

Travel from Santiago back to Indianapolis

Costs

Trip expenses due to FC (covers flights, bag fees, all meals, lodging, in-country transportation, travel insurance, One Child expenses, and recap dinner) **\$2,400**

Additional expenses you are personally responsible for:

Passport (must have by April 2023; current processing time is 6-8 weeks) **\$165**

Spending money for souvenirs, snacks, etc. (estimate) **\$100**

Meeting Schedule

We will have seven trip meetings between now and the trip in June. These are rough dates, and we will confirm what day of the week works best for everyone after the team is solidified.

Monthly Meetings (January - April)

February 12

March 11

April 15

Weekly Meetings (Four weeks leading up to the trip)

May 13

May 20

May 27

June 3

Payment Schedule

A \$200 deposit must be turned in by February 11th to secure your spot on the trip. Four \$525 payments are due each month starting in March. You may pay quicker than this, but not slower.

All payments are due to Freedom Church by cash, check, or online donation. The amounts below only cover the trip expenses due to FC. The additional personal expenses (passport & spending money) are not included. All donations towards a mission trip are tax deductible and a summary of donations will be sent to donors by January 31st of the year after they are made.

Date	Description	Amount Due	Running Total
February 11, 2024	Deposit	\$200	\$200
March 1, 2024	Payment 1	\$550	\$750
April 1, 2024	Payment 2	\$550	\$1,300
May 1, 2024	Payment 3	\$550	\$1,850
June 1, 2024	Payment 4	\$550	\$2,400

Immunizations

Freedom Church does not REQUIRE any certain vaccines, nor can we offer official medical advice. It is up each traveler to seek medical advice through their primary care physician or a travel health clinic and determine any vaccines needed.

The US Centers for Disease Control recommends being up to date on your routine vaccines such as the flu shot and the measles-mumps-rubella (MMR) vaccine. Additionally, they suggest vaccination for Hepatitis A and B, and typhoid, and taking medication to prevent malaria.

Refunds & Cancellation

Up until April 7th, 60 days prior to the trip, any donations may be returned to the original donor in the event that a participant is unable to go on the trip, or held by Freedom Church and transferred to a future trip. After June 14th, we cannot issue any refunds, as plane tickets will be purchased and our full, non-refundable payment is due to One Child at that time.