



NICARAGUA & FIRST PRES A Beautiful Partnership In Mission

MISSION

The First Pres Nicaragua mission group builds intergenerational relationships among our First Pres constituents and among our partner communities in Nicaragua. We partner with CEPAD to deepen our connections with Nicaraguans by implementing CEPAD's programs in communities such as San José de los Remates.

ABOUT CEPAD

CEPAD (the Council of Protestant Churches of Nicaragua) was formed in 1972 to provide emergency relief to Nicaraguans after a devastating earthquake. Since then, CEPAD has grown and its focus has changed from emergency relief to sustainability programs for the marginalized in the rural areas of Nicaragua.



WHAT WE DO IN NICARAGUA

From CEPAD's headquarters in Managua we travel to rural communities where we connect with families through projects that address community-identified needs. Projects have included constructing bread ovens and bookshelves for schools.

FEBRUARY 2015 INTERGENERATIONAL MISSION TRIP

February 14 - 22, our group of twelve traveled to San José de los Remates, Nicaragua where we visited several small communities and villages near the central village. In Nicaragua, a community maybe just a few houses or families. We met with community leaders, worked along side local families building bread ovens and spent time in several schools, teaching, reading, and playing with the students. We shared meals with and worshiped with our Nicaraguan friends. Our CEPAD leader was Justin Sundberg, a PC(USA) mission co-worker who along with his wife Renee and their four children is living in Managua for the next few years.





OUR TEAM

Downs Herold, Nancy VanderKuyf, Lydia Schaafsma, Janie Schaafsma, Lenore Webb, Oscar Webb, Tavo Webb, Melissa Anne Rogers, Charlie Rogers, Gaiden Heatley, Paul Smith, and Carol Smith.

WHAT IS THE VALUE OF INTERGENERATIONAL MISSION?

When God's people travel together, great things happen. When several generations of God's people travel together, incredible things happen in mission. When young people and families join mission trips, new horizons emerge, new relationships are forged, young people learn from older mentors, mature adults are energized by young people and wonderful, faithful ministry breaks out.



SUPPORT OUR MISSION WORK IN NICARAGUA



JEWELRY

The Nicaragua mission team partners with Roberto Corrales, a Granada artisan who supports his daughter's medical school tuition with jewelry purchases from First Pres.

COFFEE

First Pres serves only Fair Trade Coffee. On August 30, we will be selling a special blend made with Nicaraguan beans. Purchase yours at Coffee Hour today and support Nicaraguan farmers.

