

# Apostles By-the-Sea and Chapel at the Beach

## Dominican Republic Mission Trip with Global Effect

### January 4-9, 2014

#### ***Basic Information about Trip:***

This January mission trip has become an annual event for Chapel at the Beach. Since January of 2011, the Chapel has gone each January to help celebrate “Three Kings Day” with our friends in the Dominican. And this year, Apostles By-the-Sea will join us! Three Kings Day is very similar to the American Christmas holiday, where gifts are exchanged. This is where we come in. We collect gifts and distribute them to the children in the areas that the pastors and churches choose. For most of these children, it will be the only gift they receive. In addition to giving gifts, we also provide a day of structured games, fun, and Bible Studies. Beyond “Three Kings Day”, we typically spend a few days distributing water filters to families in need.

#### ***How much will the trip cost?***

- In Country Costs are \$600/person. This includes lodging and all meals.
- Flights are \$750/person. We are using a travel agent for this trip.  
A \$250 deposit is due by October 1<sup>st</sup>.  
Additional payments of \$550 will be due November 1<sup>st</sup> and December 1<sup>st</sup>.  
The full amount can also be paid at any time.

#### ***What is covered with “In Country Costs”?***

- All meals, including snacks are included within your in country costs, however, you will likely want to bring extra money for any incidentals and specific snacks (there is a “Walmart-like” store in town). You would also want to bring extra money for airport meals!
- One \$10 bill is required when entering the Dominican Republic. This is for a 30 Day Visitor’s Card. This is required to enter the country!

### ***I want to go, what do I do next?***

- First, make your \$250 deposit by October 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Second, secure a passport if you do not already have one.
- Third, fill out and return the Medical Release Form to Kevin Tillman, Casey Johnston, or mail to the Chapel at the Beach office. Address is: PO Box 611041, Rosemary Beach, FL 32461. Medical Forms are due by June 9<sup>th</sup>.

### ***Can I make my own flight reservations?***

- Yes. If you have frequent flyer miles, or are traveling from a different location, you can make your own reservations. However, please try and get on the flights listed below (these are the last legs of the flight from Miami to Santiago Dominican Republic and the return flight).
  - o January 4: AA 2365 (American Airlines)  
5:45pm departure from Miami, 8:45pm arrival in Santiago
  - o January 9: AA 3454 (American Airlines)  
8:45am departure from Santiago, 10:00am arrival in Miami
- If you make your own flight plans, your total cost will be the \$600 In Country Costs. Please make sure that we are aware of your plans, so that you are not booked on two flights. The \$250 deposit is still due on October 1<sup>st</sup>. Additional payments of \$175 will be due on November 1<sup>st</sup> and December 1<sup>st</sup>. The full amount can also be paid at any time.

### ***What else do I need to know?***

- We will have an informational meeting specific to this trip on October 6<sup>th</sup> following the morning worship service.
  - o Topics at the meeting will be: Transportation (carpooling) to the airport in Tallahassee, What to Pack/Wear, Guidance from some that have been before, any preparations that need to be made as a group (packing supplies, etc.)
  - o We will also discuss “Three Kings Day” gifts and packing.
  - o If you cannot make this informational meeting, we will also provide this information on a flyer.
  - o Don’t hesitate to ask any other questions!
- Please prepare spiritually! This is a mission trip, not a vacation. Because of this, Satan will try to stop the work of God. Prepare yourself in prayer and Bible Study and get your heart ready for a blessing!
- The last word of advice for any mission trip: Be flexible!!! Plans often change while on the trip. Dominicans don’t keep schedules like Americans, so we must be flexible and adapt. Remember, we are their guests!
- If you have any questions – contact Kevin Tillman:
  - o E: kevin@chapelrb.org
  - o P: 850-774-9801