



Belize Sports Missions Trip 2012

Dates: March 11 – March 18, 2012

Purpose:

To, through athletics, be able to bring the Gospel to people who otherwise would not have the opportunity to hear about Christ. This is a unique opportunity to play a game we enjoy, as well as sharing Jesus with others through developing relationships with native Belizeans.

Tentative Schedule: *subject to change

Sunday	Depart Memphis 6:00AM – Arrive Belize Arrive – Go to Hotel (1 ½ - 2 hr. drive) Belize Welcome Meal at hotel 6:00pm – Night Game
Monday	Morning Clinic, Afternoon Clinic – Night Game
Tuesday	Corazol (All day clinics and playing in new city) 3 hr drive
Wednesday	BCA Morning Chapel, Afternoon Clinic – Night Game
Thursday	CCA Morning Chapel, Afternoon Clinic – Night Game
Friday	Morning Clinic, Afternoon Clinic – Night Game
Saturday	Belize High School Softball Championships
Sunday	Leave San Ignacio 6:00am – Arrive in Memphis 10:00pm

TOTAL Cost of the Trip: \$1700.00

This includes:

Hotel accommodations including Breakfast and Dinner as well as laundry
Transportation (van rental)
All supplies and materials needed to be apart of the clinics and games
ISO apparel to wear during the trip (shirts, jerseys, etc.)
In country Airfare via Tropic Air to the Island of San Pedro from Belize City

Transportation cost (Included):

Team will be traveling in a 30 person coaster bus. Team will be supplied with a Belizean driver. Cost of this bus with driver for the week is \$1400 plus fuel costs. This is a great thing to get sponsored by a local church are other sponsor.

Airfare from your home city to Belize City (BZE). Due to people being able to find their own travel deals and use frequent flyer points, we will no longer be purchasing airfare in a block unless your prepayment for airfare has been paid through ISO. For you to be apart of the group airfare package, a prepayment of \$700 will need to be in hand. Great airfare deals can be found and purchased, but we can no longer buy these tickets on “Credit”. Prepayment for airfare must be in the accounts of ISO by Jan 10th. That allows us to shop for the best airfare rates 60 days out. Airfare purchased under the \$700 will then be credited to your personal account for your trip. Airfare is usually purchased in the \$600 - \$700 range (from Memphis, your city may vary). Flights only come into Belize City within a 4 hour window, so any airline will suffice.

Does NOT INCLUDE:

Lunch Daily (approx. \$6 per day)

Recreational Sports on the Island Team Members will have an opportunity to go snorkeling or fishing on San Pedro Island. Cost for snorkeling \$25 - \$30, cost for reef fishing varies, depending on the amount.

Departure Tax There is also a \$38.50USD departure fee tax to leave the country. Sometimes this is included in the price of the ticket, sometimes it is not, depending on the type of tickets we get. You will have to check with your carrier. It has been my experience that most airlines do include this, American Airlines does not.

Baggage Fees You will be asked to carry 2 bags down with supplies for the trip with supplies; these bags need to be suitcases that can be combined into 1 bag on the way bag. Typically, you are not asked to pay baggage fees on the way back from Belize, only from the US.

Fund Raising

We will provide you with template letter to personalize for your use. (1) personal letter, (1) letter from ISO President, and (1) envelope template. We have found over time these letters have become a good fundraisers for team members. Those that include self addressed stamped envelopes are the most successful.

Support from your local church:

Along with helping you personally, your local church can help us with raising money for specific projects. One of the goals for this year is being able to supply each individual student with a pencil bag with school supplies along with 20 full scholarships for children's yearly schools supplies. Churches can also decide to sponsor a van rental, scholarship a child, or provide equipment.

Accommodations:

During the week, we are staying at the Cahal Pech Resort Hotel ("Resort" is not what you think!) in the Cayo Distict of Belize. Check out www.cahalpech.com

When we travel to San Pedro Island on Friday Morning, we will be staying at The Sunbreeze Hotel on San Pedro Island. www.sunbreeze.net

Uniforms:

International Sports Outreach will supply game jerseys. As a mission team member, you will receive a t shirts, one polo shirt, and one team hat or visor. If you are planning to play we recommend that you bring baseball pants to wear. They will get washed by the hotel. You will also need to pair of athletic shorts (inexpensive sports shorts from sports authority, wal mart, target, etc.) to wear during the clinics.

Passports:

Belize requires a valid U.S. passport to enter the country. If you are not in possession of a passport, you need to start the process **NOW**.

Team Meeting: (all mission team members)

We will have 3 team meetings for the team members local to Memphis to prepare you for the clinics, these are specific training tools for the sports clinics, as well as the evangelism platform we will use. You will be well prepared for your mission experience.

***Payment Schedule:**

Deposit	<u>ASAP</u>	\$100.00
Airfare	<u>ASAP</u>	\$700.00
1st Payment	Feb 18 th	\$500.00
2nd payment	March 1 st	\$400.00

*additional payment arrangements can be made, please contact Mark to do so, at 901-359-7459.

All payment will be made to **International Sports Outreach**

All payments are NON-REFUNDABLE, ISO is an IRS registered 501 (c) 3 public charity, and is also registered with the State of Mississippi and a public charity. All gifts given to ISO in your name will be credited to your trip account. Info on your account can be provided through email within 24 hours of your request.

Requests for information can be emailed to mtatko@internationalsportsoutreach.com