



Panama Mission 2012

April 14th (Saturday) – April 22nd(Sunday)

This mission is designed to bring medical/dental care to the hill communities of El Bale and El Pinon in Central Panama. Little known to most are Panama's indigenous peoples.

We will be working in the Veraguas Province with the Bugle/Ngobe people which are Panama's largest indigenous group with around 164,000 members. They were once known as fierce warriors, who wore an ornament called the Chaquira. The Chaquira remains a symbol of their culture, but is now sophisticated hand-beaded jewelry that is a source of income for the tribe.

On Sunday we will visit the Old City and the Panama Canal then head out for the Veraguas Province where we will have our clinics, Monday through Wednesday. Then on Thursday morning we leave for El Valle, a land of eternal springtime. Convenient to the famed beaches of Panama and sightseeing.

Saturday night we are back in Panama City. Sunday departure.



We have set up this mission so that you will arrive Saturday in Panama City and stay at a comfortable hotel.

April 14th Saturday - Arrive Panama City
Flights arrive throughout the day and into the night. The team will officially assemble for Breakfast on Sunday. This is a free day but do check in with the team leader upon your arrival at the hotel.

April 15 Sunday – After Breakfast there is an old city tour and visit at the Panama Canal Locks. Travel up to El Bale Sunday afternoon

April 16 Monday -- Medical/Dental Clinic El Bale





April 17 Tuesday -- Medical/Dental Clinic El Bale

April 18 Wednesday -- Medical/Dental Clinic El Bale

April 19 & 20 Thurs.& Friday – Explore Panama Time
You will have two nights at Los Mandarin– more detail provided by your team leader.

April 21 Saturday - Return to Panama City
Time to shop and goodbye Barbeque with Pro Ninez

April 22 Sunday Return to USA

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Donation for the Mission is \$1885

Your **(tax deductible)** donation to FDoA includes the following:

- All Ground Transportation
- 2 nights accommodation in Los Mandarin (double occupancy)
- 2 nights accommodations in Panama City (double occupancy)
- 4 nights accommodations in El Bale (basic dorm accommodations)
- All Meal are provided (B,L,D) except for your meals the day you arrive in Panama City (Jan 21st)
- Walking Tour of old city Panama & seeing the Panama Canal Locks
- Purchase of Medical Supplies and Medications
- Interpreters (6-8) and Area Coordinator
- Flying Doctor T-shirts
- \$585 Donation to Flying Doctors of America

Not included: Your airfare from USA to Panama City, meals the day you arrive in Panama City (Jan 30th), any alcoholic beverage, phone calls, room charges, departure/airport taxes. Flying Doctors recommends that you book ahead and use your frequent flyer miles for your USA to Panama air portion.