# Trip Itinerary Costa Rica March 19-28, 2017 South Bay Junior Academy

**Objective**: The purpose of South Bay Junior Academy's service trip to Costa Rica is to awaken a passion to live a life of service, to build international and intercultural goodwill, and to develop a desire to learn.

**Description**: We will be working in the community of Brasilito in the Guanacaste region of Costa Rica. Our time will be divided between the local public school in the morning and a community project in the afternoon. We will develop relationships with the children by teaching English, P.E., and Art. Our community projects will focus on developing relationships with and providing resources and labor to families in the community.

The last few days will focus more directly on science, Spanish, culture, and adventure. On Sabbath, on our drive to the Arenal area, we will stop and hike to the waterfalls at Rio Celeste. Sunday morning, we will go on a flora and fauna hike through the jungle with one of Arenal Lodge's guides. In the afternoon, we will explore La Fortuna, shop for souvenirs, and enjoy Baldí Hotsprings. On Monday morning, we will hike around the Arenal volcano area. In the afternoon, we'll drive back to Liberia and prepare to return to Los Angeles on Tuesday.

#### Sunday, March 19

4:30AM	Arrive at SBJA
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5:00AM Depart SBJA for LAX (sharp!)

5:30AM Arrive at LAX 8:30AM Depart LAX

3:10PM Arrive in Liberia (2:10 US time)

5:30PM Arrive in Brasilito

6:30PM Dinner 8:00PM Worship 9:00PM Lights out

# Monday, March 20 – Hotel Brasilito, Brasilito, Guanacaste Province, Costa Rica

7:45	Worship
8:00-8:45	Breakfast

9:00-12:00 Develop relationships in Escuela Brasilito teaching P.E., Art, and English.

12:00-1:00 Lunch

1:00-4:30 Work on projects in the community

4:30-6:00 Beach time 6:30 Dinner

9:00 Worship: Personal journal reflections, sharing, discussion, and worship thought

10:00 Lights out

#### Evenings of Tuesday-Thursday, March 21-23

4:30-5:30 Beach time

6:00-7:00 Teaching English at a language school

7:00 Dinner

9:00 Worship: Personal journal reflections, sharing, discussion, and worship thought

10:00 Lights out

#### Evening of Friday, March 24

4:30-6:00 Beach time

6:30 Dinner

7:30 Worship: Personal journal reflections, worship, and personal appreciations

10:00 Lights out

#### Saturday, March 25 – Arenal Lodge, La Fortuna, Alajuela Province, Costa Rica

6:30 Pack up vehicles

7:00 Breakfast

7:30 Church on beach

8:30 Drive to Rio Celeste waterfalls

12:00 Hike to falls

3:30-5:30 Drive to Arenal Lodge

6:30 Dinner

9:00 Worship: Personal journal reflections, sharing, discussion, and worship thought

10:00 Lights out

## Sunday, March 26 – Arenal Lodge, La Fortuna, Alajuela Province, Costa Rica

7:30 Worship

8:00 Guided flora and fauna hike on the Arenal Lodge trails

1:00-3:30 La Fortuna

4:00-8:00 Dinner and swimming at Baldí Hotsprings

9:00 Worship: Personal journal reflections, sharing, discussion, and worship thought

10:00 Lights out

# Monday, March 27

7:45 Worship 8:00-8:45 Breakfast 10:00-12:00 Arenal hike 12:30-1:30 Lunch

2:00-4:00 Drive to Liberia

6:00 Dinner 9:00 Worship 10:00 Lights out

#### Tuesday, March 28

8:30	Worship
9:00	Breakfast

10:00 Pack up belongings 11:00 Load luggage in vehicles

11:30 Lunch

12:30 Leave hotel for airport 3:30 Purchase dinner in airport 4:10 Depart LIR for LAX

9:20PM Arrive LAX (10:20PM Costa Rica time)

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