



Where: Ensenada, Mexico

<http://www.yugo.org/ensenada-campus/>

Why YUGO?

The Ensenada Campus is a base for many programs, ministry teams, and activities. One of the ministries that we are very passionate about is our **team ministry**. Through our team ministry, we host teams who are participating in **short term mission's trips**. Teams can build houses, run children's programs, serve in feeding ministries, encourage pastors... and the list goes on and on. We provide the facilities and program as well as organize the ministry opportunities so that these teams can have a fantastic, effective ministry experience. YUGO is committed to the ideal that all of **our work will be done through the local church**, with local support and leadership. We have, and continue to develop, strong connections with pastors, churches, and civic leaders throughout the area. (via YUGO website)

FREE DAY: On Friday, July 12th, our students will get to spend the morning at La Bufadora and in the afternoon relaxing at the beach in San Diego, CA. In the evening we'll check into our hotel and then grab dinner as a group.

Accommodations:

While in Ensenada, we will be staying in large dorm style housing with bunk beds. There will be hot showers and fully equipped restrooms. **Safe drinking water will be available at all times.** Oh, and the campus has wifi. © On July 12th everyone will stay in a hotel in San Diego, CA.

Extended trip: We will be staying in a local EFCA church. Details TBD.

Staffing:

As with all of our trips we try to maintain a staffing ratio of one adult or college staff person for every 5-7 students. Parents, please let Kyle know if you want to go on this trip!

Who: Any current 8th through 12th grade student. (NOTE: This trip has a **limit of 60 students**)

When: July 6 – July 13. We will meet Saturday, July 6th around 7 am and return the following Saturday, July 13th around 5pm.

***Extended trip participants:** We will meet Saturday, July 6th around 7 am and return on the following Wednesday, July 17th around 10:30 pm.

How: We will be flying from Des Moines to San Diego, and then traveling by 15 passenger vans to Ensenada, Mexico. (Approx. 2 hours south from San Diego.)

What: Every-other year, for Summer Serve, we want to provide an opportunity for our students to use their gifts to serve alongside a partner ministry. YUGO is a ministry that is concerned with giving students active participation in missions efforts, being Biblically centered, and striving for excellence and innovation. They provide a great multi-cultural experience, excellent training, and whole-heartedly believe in the power of the Gospel to transform lives, and a city. Through trips like these, we hope to help students discover how they can use their gifts and passions to partner with the work of God in the world. They should understand that all gifts, abilities, and vocations can be used to make God known.

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How do I prepare? We ask that...

1. Students, find 3 prayer supporters who will commit to pray for you individually throughout the week. We'll help with this on Commissioning Sunday (see important dates below).
2. Prepare your own hearts in advance, anticipating how God will use your gifts to partner with what He is already doing.
3. Sign-up! ☺

How can I afford this?

We know that by asking your student(s) to participate in this trip, it will be a big sacrifice of both time and money. We have worked hard to make this trip as affordable as possible without sacrificing quality and safety, and want to do **everything in our power to help find a way for your kids to go**. Monthly payments, and Super Savings Cards are ways that we want to partner with you in raising money for this trip. If funds are still short, then please **talk to our staff** and we will exhaust our resources to help your student go. We value this trip because we think it is a unique opportunity for your student to discover and use their gifts to benefit others. They will also have the opportunity to be disciplined by the leaders and other students, away from their regular schedules.

Can I raise money for SUMMER SERVE?

Some students actually earn more money from our fund raisers than what the trip costs! Historically the average student who works at raising funds raises about \$200. **IMPORTANT:** We have simplified our fund raising process! The **Savings Card** that we offer, makes much more money than most of the other fund raisers we have done in the past. This means that unless there is another effective, parent-led fundraiser, Super Savings Cards will be the only fundraiser this year. (If parents would like to organize a "sale" day, where we all gather and go out together, then let me know & we'll assist in promoting it).

Feb. 24	Hand out cards
Mar. 3	Earn 80% of sales
Mar. 10	Earn 75% of sales
Mar. 17	Earn 70% of sales
Mar. 21	Earn 65% of sales (all Cards need to be turned in)

** Cards need to be turned in ON, or BEFORE, these dates to qualify for the % of sales*

- **TIP #1:** Contact people ahead of time with a copy of the Super Savings Card deals so that when you get the cards, they are PUMPED to buy a stack of cards (or just one) ☺
- **TIP #2:** Keep track of the contact info for each person that buys a card, so that next year you can contact the same group of people about buying another card.
- **Tip #3:** Send support letters.
 - o Support letters are a great way to get others involved in and supporting your trip financially, and most importantly, through prayer. Please see the sample support letter and instructions.

Important Dates:

Payment Plan

By Feb. 3rd	\$50 Deposit Due (Super Savings Card sales CANNOT be used for trip deposit)
By Mar. 3rd	\$150 Payment Due (Sign-up Deadline: Pay \$200 if this is your 1 st payment)
By Apr. 2nd	\$150 Payment Due
By Apr. 15	Apply for Passport or passport card deadline.
By May 7th	\$350 Payment Due
By Jun. 4th	\$400 FINAL Payment Due
June 30th (C3/4)	"Last Details" Info Meeting for Students & Parents (12:30- 1:30pm)
June 30th	Commissioning Sunday - Please plan to attend both Sunday morning services

So the **Total Cost is \$1,100** . The price of \$1,100 includes

- YUGO registration (food, lodging, & ministry supplies while there: \$375)
- Transportation: Flight: \$500
- Trip Insurance: \$50
- Vans in Mexico: \$125
- Hotel in San Diego: \$50

***Extended Trip is \$100 extra = Total cost: \$1200**

* Extra money may be brought for: "bathroom stop" snacks, souvenirs, and extra activities (beach, boardwalk, etc.) on the FREE DAY.

- Breakfast & lunch travel to Ensenada: \$30 (\$15x2)
- Souvenirs: \$50-\$100
- Free Day Lunch & Dinner: \$30 (\$15x2)
- Lunch & Dinner Travel Home: \$30 (\$15x2)
 - **Total: \$140-\$190**

Additional Costs:

- Passport/ Passport Card: **\$40-\$135**
- Shots: Depends on your medical coverage.
 - Shots needed: As per the CDC: <https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/traveler/none/mexico>
 - Routine vaccinations:
 - Make sure you are up-to-date on routine vaccines before every trip. These vaccines include measles-mumps-rubella (MMR) vaccine, diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis vaccine, varicella (chickenpox) vaccine, polio vaccine, and your yearly flu shot.
 - Hepatitis A & Typhoid:
 - **Hep A:** CDC recommends this vaccine because you can get hepatitis A through contaminated food or water in Mexico, regardless of where you are eating or staying.
 - **Typhoid:** You can get typhoid through contaminated food or water in Mexico. CDC recommends this vaccine for most travelers, especially if you are staying with friends or relatives, visiting smaller cities or rural areas, or if you are an adventurous eater.

Important Training Dates: There will be 3 mandatory training sessions.

- After our team is set, an email will be sent out to confirm the dates of the 3 mandatory training sessions.
- The purpose of these training sessions is to equip your student to serve at their best and get the most out of this experience.
- It is best to not think of the trainings as an "extra", but as part of your commitment to the trip.

Money-Saving Bonuses:

- **'I've-got-tons-of-kids' Discount:** If 2 or more students register from the same family, you can qualify for **\$50/student**.

Make checks payable to Christ Community Church of Ames. Registration costs are non-refundable but transferable to someone of the same sex.

Questions: Call Lorinda Everett (232-2765) or email at leverett@ccames.org



Next Steps:

1. Fill out and return:
 - a. Individual Application (done by student).
 - b. Consent for international travel, medical info, and release.
2. Send in a trip deposit:
 - a. \$50 by Feb. 3rd.
 - b. \$150 by March 5th (Deadline!!)
3. Sell those Super Savers Cards! ☺