



Overview

Our Mission

Explore International is an interdenominational missions organization founded in 1994 to provide groups of US citizens with meaningful travel and service experiences in Cuba. As a Christian ministry, our vision is to connect people worldwide to increase mutual understanding and support. Whether your group is a high school or university class, a church group, a team of professionals, or simply a gathering of like-minded people, Explore International can coordinate the details of your trip so that you can relax and enjoy your unique experiences as you explore Cuba.

We believe that by giving people the opportunity to hold orphans, bring hope to the hopeless, and pray for the sick, lives are transformed. We seek to disciple as Jesus did; our vision is that God would use us to rise up a generation of radically committed disciples of Jesus Christ.

Explore International provides travelers with the necessary information, orientation, and support needed to plan and carry out educational, cultural, religious, and medical expeditions. We are dedicated to helping with scheduling, planning, team preparation, and obtaining visas. We can even accompany teams on their first trips if required. Our unique approach takes care of you and your team from beginning to end by personally addressing every aspect from your initial inquiry to your return home.

Background

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Our programs offer alternative and increasingly popular humanitarian travel or mission trips exclusively tailored to the particular interests of your team. Explore International Trips are carefully structured to ensure that your team can collectively gain firsthand experience of local communities, churches, and people. Your team will have the unique opportunity to travel to various cities, towns, and small village communities to dialogue with people involved in issues important to you: from health, environment, and education to culture and religion. Quite simply, we make it possible for your group to create fulfilling connections with individuals and communities while savoring the local culture and enjoying the natural beauty of the country.

Our Program Focus

Short Term Mission Trips

Our short-term missions provide opportunities to experience the various Christian Communities in Cuba in depth. Throughout the year we offer several opportunities to join mission trips where we visit ministries that we support, delivering humanitarian aid and experiencing fellowship with our Christian brothers and sisters in Cuba. These trips are a wonderful opportunity especially for travelers new to Cuba. Our staff accompanies the team, and we arrange all lodging and transportation. Itineraries include visiting church leaders, seminary professors, doctors, lay leaders, farmers, and representatives from various religious groups.

Short term mission trips usually do not exceed 10 days.

- Leadership & Faith Development
- Children/Youth Ministry
- Elderly Ministry

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Explore International operates as a faith-driven initiative of Outreach Aid to the Americas, Inc. (OAA), a non-profit organization incorporated in the State of Florida on September 29, 1999. Its mission is to “equip and strengthen the independent Evangelical churches of Cuba through theological education and leadership training of their existing and future pastors and lay leaders.”



Through Explore International’s life-changing mission trips, churches and ministries across America share the Gospel, meet practical needs, and support the mission of the church. Participants become part of this work when they schedule a fully licensed mission trip focused on a true, authentic, and healthy partnership. They take the opportunity to share their passions, interests and talents with the Cuban church and watch their faith grow.



Explore International specializes in partnering groups with an established or a new church throughout Cuba. We seek to provide unique opportunities for U.S. churches to learn about the growing but suffering Christian church in Cuba, and to partner with them to help provide support to those who need it most. Itineraries are then tailored to provide a comprehensive understanding of the struggles, joys, dreams and daily lives of fellow Christians and pastors.



Our Faith-Driven features include:

- Fellowship and shared meals with members of Cuban Churches
- Attending worship, singing, and prayer services with congregations
- Delivering educational and nutritional supplies to remote rural congregations
- Informal discussions with Cuban pastors about needs of the churches and future collaboration between US and Cuban Churches.



Explore International accomplishes its mission by building trust through partnership with national leaders and communities. Its sustainable programs ensure the most effective outcomes and long-term benefits by providing training, resources, and empowerment to support individuals, churches, and communities. Explore International works in partnership with national leaders and communities to strengthen and support church leaders. Christian leaders in Cuba are provided with access to biblical study materials and practical pastor resources and training programs so they can more effectively guide the growing church. From many years of working with the independent Evangelical churches, Explore International has created meaningful partnerships with all denominations, uniquely encompassing the entire island.

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