

# PERU

## CROSSING CULTURES



### investment

8 - 15 participants\*

7 days \$1000.00

10 days \$1400.00

\*Costs are per person

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We love having visitors come to worship and work with the staff team at Esperanza de Ana. We invite you to join in our daily rhythms, get to know our community, and find a place in the desert to meet with Jesus. When you join us on the journey, our faith is encouraged and our burdens are made lighter. We all grow together. Our prayer is that you celebrate the story that God is writing in Peru and return home with a renewed heart to join in God's work wherever He has planted you.

Esperanza de Ana is a registered non-government organization (NGO) in Peru and complies with all national accounting standards in country. We are funded by grant money and are accountable to our affiliate organization, Christian Children's Home of Ohio (CCHO). CCHO is a US registered 501(c)3 and ECFA approved organization with whom we share the same vision, mission and values. Individual donors and church partners support Esperanza de Ana through donations made directly to CCHO. Find out more about their amazing history and ministry at [ccho.org](http://ccho.org).

# logistics

## Transportation

To Peru - various airlines to Lima. In Peru - private and public ground transportation will be provided.

## Accommodations

Esperanza de Ana "building C", built 2008 - 2011, has a large cafeteria/meeting room, kitchen, and 10 bedrooms which are used for staff housing, interns, and teams. There are hot showers. There is NO SMOKING on property or in our community.

## Meals

Most meals will be eaten on site. Breakfast is self-serve, lunch is eaten with the children and national staff. Dinner varies. Bring your own high protein snacks. Purified water is provided. Visitors should bring their own refillable water bottle to all meals.

## Investment includes

Transportation in country, accommodations, meals, some service project costs, program support. Possible bonfire, trip to fishing village, boat ride on Pacific Ocean, and day in downtown Lima.

## Investment excludes

Airfare, passport fees, luggage fees, immunizations, short-term mission insurance (suggested), personal shopping (souvenirs), snacks, and dinner meal on last day of the trip

## Investment transfer

A minimum of 50% of team funds should be given as a donation to our affiliate, Christian Children's Home of Ohio, eight weeks before arrival date and the final 50% should be given four weeks before arrival date. For details on the donation process or any related questions contact Julie.

## Documents

Passport (within 6 months of expiration) pre-approved visas are not required for entering Peru.  
EA Mission Team Member Form (online form linked from [esperanzadeana.org/churchmobilized](http://esperanzadeana.org/churchmobilized))  
EA Medical-Release Form (form to be printed from [esperanzadeana.org/churchmobilized](http://esperanzadeana.org/churchmobilized))



# logistics cont.

## Health

If you have a health condition or any diet restrictions, let your group leader know before you come.

## Emergency communication

Phone number available for urgent communications is 330.408.3460. Group leader will have access to wifi. Bandwidth is limited; **we encourage team members to come prepared to be disconnected.**

## Individual spending money

The exchange rate varies. At the time of this writing it is around 3 Peruvian soles to 1 US dollar. Plan to bring at least \$100 to spend on snacks, drinks, and souvenirs. Money should be in newer bills without marks or tears, and in denominations of 10s and 20s. Dollars are accepted most places in Lima.

## Exchanging money

You will have the opportunity to exchange \$20 into soles on the first day of the trip. The group leader should collect this money and make the exchange through missionaries for best rate.

## Down-town Lima & Miraflores

Depending on flight times, on the last day of the trip the team will visit places like the presidential palace and the San Francisco Church catacombs. After lunch, the afternoon will be spent shopping at the artisan craft market. In the evening we will try to catch the sunset over the Pacific Ocean. **Team members are responsible to purchase their own dinner on the last day of the trip, fast food or sit down dining are available.**

## Individual visits

Contact us for nightly rate and airport transportation cost.

Individual visits are a great opportunity for a spiritual retreat. During regular office hours you are encouraged to use Esperanza de Ana as a place of solitude and silence. You are welcome to bring an activity to do with the children, no gifts please. Anything that gives them an opportunity to use their creativity is encouraged. We always appreciate hands-on workshops where they can learn things in fun and interesting ways. Please send us your activity plan ahead of schedule and bring all materials with you. If you would like to serve with your hands we can always find a small project for you to do. **Do not feel obligated to serve as you might with a mission team. Retreat...read, rest, and pray!!**



# community & ministry

## Chilca, Cañete

Our small desert coastal town is about 45 minutes south of Lima. It is surrounded by squatter villages known as *asientamientos humanos* / human settlements. Most of the people in these villages are migrants from either the jungle or Andean highlands of Peru. They come to Lima seeking a different lifestyle and often stay because of access to public services. Many still have no electricity and most have no running water, living in thatch and tarp shacks called *chozas*. Children are at risk of malnutrition, child labor, sexual exploitation, and human trafficking. Family cycles of abuse, neglect, and abandonment are common. There is no access to quality education, many parents are still illiterate. Medical care is available, but often not accessed.



## A Social Issue

The Bible calls them fatherless. Often their families are passing through crisis and as a result these children suffer neglect and abuse. A prevalent assumption is that an orphan has two deceased parents. But child and family service agencies often use a broader definition: any child who is deprived of parental care. The majority of the world's orphans have families who are merely unable or unwilling to care for them. In addition, poverty and other factors keep these kids from access to quality education.

## Our Answer

In place of institutionalizing children, we offer a safe place of healing for the hearts and minds of children while focusing on restoring and preserving family. We provide services for parents to overcome past trauma, improve their role as parent, and strengthen their own family environment. We seek to contribute to the integral development of kids hand-in-hand with the family by providing education scholarships, an after school program, parent counseling and workshops and home-based services.

## Discipleship

Through relationship and living life alongside the children and their families we make Christ known. During morning devotions, conversations over washing dishes, walking through life issues, our staff consistently teaches and shares Biblical principles and personal testimony. Jesus is made known.

## Partnership opportunity

You will have the opportunity to become a *colaborador*. We call our partners collaborators because together we worship and work the ministry of reconciliation as one family, citizens of one country, the kingdom of God.



# service | work opportunities

## at Esperanza de Ana

### **Maintenance projects**

Esperanza de Ana has three buildings which include 16 bedrooms, 2 kitchens, 7 classroom spaces, offices, and supporting rooms. There are endless maintenance needs. Everything from sweeping, cleaning, painting and sealing is needed. Plumbers, electricians, and carpenters are always needed.

### **Construction projects**

We are in the process of a several phase building project that will allow us to grow the community we serve on property. This building expansion includes an upgrade to the current utilities, building additional classrooms and multi-purpose spaces, and expanding the cafeteria. Eventually, the front building will need to be remodeled due to its age. As funds are provided building will continue.

### **Hands-on learning activities**

Through games and dynamic activities kids can learn skills and reinforce classroom learning. Teams are encouraged to plan activities with to do with the children in our after-school program. Ages range from 2 to 16. Please prepare something appropriate for each age group. Plan for one activity per classroom. Bring all the supplies necessary to have some great fun with the kids that will contribute to their education.

## in the community

### **Home repairs or construction for program families**

Most houses are in desperate need of repair, walls need reinforcement; roof panels need replacement. These projects are done through evaluation of the national leadership team and in collaboration with the program family.

### **Serve a Teacher**

Several Primary & Secondary Schools offer English by teachers who love to have the assistance of a native speaker when possible. We collaborate with our community partners by offering a first language speaker to partner with the teacher in the classroom.

### **Serve at a local soup kitchen or in the "glass of milk" program**

These two government feeding programs are under-resourced. A few folks from your team could provide food for a day then assist in the preparation and serving of meals.

### **Serve at a senior adult club meeting**

We love to collaborate with the coordinator for senior services for the Chilca-Mala Health District. It is a sweet service to attend a senior's club meeting and bring activities that help them keep their minds and bodies healthy and active.

# sample schedule

## Saturday

Team departs local airport and arrives in Lima  
Transport team and luggage to Chilca

## Sunday

Personal devotions, breakfast, community worship  
Missionary testimony, cross-culture orientation  
Site tour, hike Andean foothill to the community cross  
Lunch in Pucusana  
Free time (rest, volleyball, etc)  
Dinner, group reflection

## Monday

Personal devotions, breakfast, community worship  
Program Intro & Child Protection Policy Training  
Meet the staff  
Lunch, service/work assignments,  
Dinner, group reflection

## Tuesday - Thursday

Personal devotions, breakfast, community worship  
Service/work assignments  
Get to Know Chilca, a cross-cultural adventure (usually Thursday)  
Lunch, service/work assignments  
Church w/children (Tuesday before dinner)  
Dinner (Thursday is pizza night, team provides the meal for the staff & kids)  
Group reflection

## Friday

Personal devotions, breakfast, community worship  
Service/work assignments  
Lunch w/children; thank you and good-bye from children  
Service/work assignments  
Dinner, group reflection (Optional: bonfire, communion, or foot-washing service)

## Saturday

Personal devotions, breakfast  
Community worship, final group reflection  
Pack and clean rooms, load luggage  
Lunch in Lima or en route  
Tourist sites may include: Presidential palace, San Francisco Church catacombs, Inca Market  
Larcomar for dinner & ocean sunset (cost for dinner is responsibility of team member)  
To airport



# preparation & policy

## Routine & Rhythm

We invite teams into our community, into the daily routine and rhythms we have here among the staff, children, and families. For some it feels fast, for some way too slow. Laying down individual preference is important to keeping peace and a healthy pace for all.



- 5 am **Observe silence**, personal devotions when you wake up  
Coffee will be ready before breakfast :-)  
Dress for day keeping in mind others may still be in devotions
- 8 am **Break silence**, break fast (breakfast)
- 9 am Community worship
- 10 pm Facility quiet hours begin

## Global workers, national staff, and interns

Global workers, national staff, and interns live and work on-site. They will continue personal routines and office hours, relying on the group leader to manage the team. *Please respect their private living quarters.*

## Child protection

Visitors stay on the same site as an operating program with children, therefore registered sex offenders and anyone convicted of a crime against a child will not be allowed to have contact with children. Child Protection training is given to all overnight visitors at the start of their visit.

## Phone and internet access

Internet bandwidth is limited; only the group leader will have access to wifi. Visitors are encouraged to disconnect, to take the opportunity to fast from technology and focus on Christ. Visitors and their families should be prepared to be out of communication. The US phone available for emergencies is 330.408.3460.

## Gift-giving

You will be asked to give only two things directly, your heart and your will, and those to God. Giving money or gifts directly to people is against policy. It undermines the sharing of the gospel of Christ and harms the objectives of the program. No cash or gifts directly given to anyone.

## Camera usage

We protect the privacy of our kids, families, and neighbors. Photos should not be taken without permission from those being photographed. No photos of individual children, and NEVER post a photo on social media with a child's name. Our hearts are to protect the dignity of individuals.

## Evangelism strategy

1. Show respect - look for the beauty in each individual, created in the image of God
2. Build bridges - identify similarities and know cultural differences
3. Speak the right language - the gospel is shared in terms clearly understood cross-culturally

# packing

## Weather

January and February are summertime. The direct sun will burn your skin quickly. Dress in lightweight, long-sleeve or sun-protective clothing. No short shorts. Cami's should be covered, tank tops modest. Avoid low-cut tight shirts, and holes in pants. Bring a light-weight jacket and a fleece, just in case.

June - September is wintertime, it doesn't get too cold but there is no heating. It is cloudy, but everyone should still USE SUNSCREEN DAILY. Dressing in layers is best. You could start the day with a fleece, a long sleeve shirt, and a t-shirt; be down to a t-shirt by lunch time, and then back to 3 layers as soon as the sun goes down.

## Luggage

Plan to bring as much luggage as the airline allows. A challenge: try to get all personal items in allowable carry-ons (small suitcase and backpack), and fill large suitcase(s) with up to 50 lbs of donations. Many international flights allow a second 50 lb bag for free, so please check.

## Personal items

- ☐ Underclothes/socks 7 - 8 days (due to water shortage laundry services are not available)
- ☐ Jammies
- ☐ 1-2 work pants, 4-5 work shirts
- ☐ 1 nice jean/pant and a couple nice shirts for church/events/dinner meal
- ☐ fleece jacket and warm sweat pants for cool evenings
- ☐ Bible, journal & pen
- ☐ Personal toiletries. We provide bedding and towels. Bring your own washcloth or bath sponge.
- ☐ Snacks, lots of your favorite high protein snacks (food kept in the kitchen or ants in your bed)
- ☐ PERSONAL WATER BOTTLE – it will become your constant companion
- ☐ Hat or visor for sun, work gloves if you want your own, earplugs (sleeping or construction)

Don't bother with blow dryers, etc. They will blow up without a heavy-weight transformer; voltage converters do not suffice.

## Team items

- ☐ 5 liquid hand soap per team (put in ziploc bags)
- ☐ 4 rolls toilet paper per person (minimum) – squeeze as much in as you can in any extra space
- ☐ Lots of high protein healthy snacks per person
- ☐ Napkins (200 count pack) per team





# donations

## Amazon EA Donations List

Please find our most needed/wanted items on our Amazon donations list. Ask your group leader if you are interested.

## Books (Spanish language only)

We need books for our library especially for older children, ages 11 and up, reading series are desperately needed. (No witch/ghost/vampire themes. Rural communities are still very traditional.)

## Table Games

Simple table games that do not require reading in English. Examples: Sequence, Sequence Numbers, Racko, Connect Four, Raccoon Rumpus, Chess, Blokus, Rummikub

## Toys

Legos, Duplo, Matchbox or Hot Wheels cars (or any quality off-brand—cheap cars don't last a week here), volleyballs, rubber playground balls, and soccer balls!

## School Supplies

Construction paper (small and large), tissue paper, old magazines...

## Office Supplies

Thermal laminating pouches (all sizes), label maker tape refills (Dymo) clear and white, USB drives

## Cleaning Supplies

Trash bags: 12-16 gallon kitchen, 32 gallon, and 55 gallon

## ITEMS NOT TO PACK

ANYTHING not specifically listed, NO "other" medicines (only children's multi-vitamins), NO adult clothes, NO travel size toiletry items at this time, NO stuffed animals.

# first night and morning

Most flights arrive at dark-thirty, between 10:30 pm and 1:30 am. It is about a 1 1/2 hour drive from the airport in Lima, south to Chilca. You will likely be arriving at Esperanza de Ana three hours after your plane lands.

## As soon as you arrive

- Unload luggage to take to your assigned room.
- If you have a bag that is all donations, you can leave it in the cafeteria.
- Purified water available in cafeteria and middle stair well landing.
- Snacks will be stored in provided storage area.
- Rooms are assigned. Your group leader will let you know your room number before you arrive.  
Pillow, sheets, blanket(s) and a bath towel will be folded and ready on the foot of the bed. Plastic covers need to be slipped off the mattress, and beds need to be made.

## IMPORTANT

- Do not drink water from the tap!
- Rinse your tooth brush in bottled water, bring mouthwash to disinfect.
- Do not let water get in your mouth while showering!

## The next morning

Cafeteria will open at 6 am and coffee will be brewing.

**Remember we observe silence in the mornings.** We encourage you to find a spot on the first floor benches or pull a chair from your room to the outside walkway, with your Bible and journal in hand. Interns or staff will be setting out breakfast at 7:45. Group should gather in the cafeteria at 8 am where we will break silence, and break fast.



## Regarding property

- Respect staff living areas
- Do not use back stairway in building C. 2nd floor terrace is not a common area.
- You can flush your toilet paper here! No other personal stuff, though.
- Conserve water by taking **one short shower daily** and adjusting water flow to a minimum. If you have a leaking toilet or sink please let us know.
- We recycle. Please note can for plastic bottles.
- Don't allow anyone in the front gate.
- Lock your door after dark and when you leave the property for long periods of time. (group leader will manage room keys)

# group leader - timeline

## Now

- ☐ Contact Jim or Tkay ([schutzj@esperanzadeana.org](mailto:schutzj@esperanzadeana.org)) to set dates for your trip
- ☐ Create timeline with dates based on this guide

## 4 - 6 months before the trip

- ☐ Hold Information meetings. **Limit: 15 participants**
- ☐ Schedule pre-trip orientation/training meetings

## 3 months before trip

- ☐ Collect \$100 deposit each from each participant
- ☐ Begin shopping for airline tickets, purchasing tickets by group often allows you to make a deposit and delay full payment
- ☐ Have team members fill out online Trip Participant Form ([esperanzadeana.org/churchmobilized](http://esperanzadeana.org/churchmobilized))
- ☐ Have team members fill out paper Medical-Release Form ([esperanzadeana.org/churchmobilized](http://esperanzadeana.org/churchmobilized))
- ☐ Fill out Team Skills Chart ([esperanzadeana.org/churchmobilized](http://esperanzadeana.org/churchmobilized))
- ☐ Visit [www.state.gov](http://www.state.gov) to check travel requirements
- ☐ Visit the CDC website for most current vaccination recommendations. Direct team members to check with their personal physician if they have any questions.
- ☐ Insurance is available and optional. Missionaryhealth.net's Liaison® Majestic International Major Medical is about \$30.

## 2 months before trip

- ☐ A minimum of 50% of team funds should be given as a donation to our affiliate, Christian Children's Home of Ohio (CCHO).
- ☐ Keep shopping airline prices, **make reservations around six weeks out**

## 1 month before trip

- ☐ Donate final 50% of team funds to CCHO

## 1 week before trip

- ☐ Collect \$20 bills in good condition from each team member who would like to exchange.
- ☐ Hold packing party for your team. Divide out food list items among group members
- ☐ Provide Immigration & Customs form information to each team member
- ☐ Review first night and morning on page 10 of this guide

# group leader responsibilities

## Before Trip

- Coordination and communication with Esperanza de Ana
- Preparation of team, spiritually and practically
- Ensure team members have all forms submitted on time
- Lead team in raising their funds for investment at Esperanza de Ana (trip cost)
- Collect Medical-Release Forms, email digitally to Julie by 1 month out.
- Collect two color copies of passport main page from each team member. (A third copy they should keep with them in a separate location from their original.) You will keep one set with you at all times during the trip, the other set will be filed on site. Original passports will be kept on-site in a safe during the trip.
- Divide responsibilities between participants
  - Meal preparation and kitchen clean-up
  - Group reflection each evening
  - Work site & room clean-up
- Ensure participants are ready for pre-planned activities (resources ready, all materials coming w/team)
- Double check luggage allowance and make sure team members are prepared to pay any extra luggage fees they might incur, i.e. overweight bags.

## During Trip

- Guide team through airport(s)
- Manage room & property keys
- Hold evening group reflection (personal devotion/group reflection guide provided)
- Meet with missionary leadership to plan service projects
- **Ensure that team members are assembled on-time and ready-to-go for meals, group meetings, and service assignments during the trip**
- Hold team participants accountable to remain flexible with servant's hearts

