

## FAQs

### When?

Weekend Missions has regular trips scheduled approximately every other month. Dates are available on the website: <http://www.weekendmissions.com>. Typical trip caravans depart from the Weekend Missions office (I-10 & Chandler) at 8 am on the Friday of the trip and return midday to late afternoon Sunday.

### Where?

Rocky Point, Mexico. From Phoenix, AZ, the drive to Rocky Point is about 210 miles and takes about 4-5 hours after a stop or two.

### Who?

You! Couples, singles, families are all welcome. We typically have a mix of young people, busy professionals, families, and retirees. Weekend Missions is a non-profit organization that welcomes people of all walks of life to enjoy serving God and serving others. We do ask that children under 6 do not attend. This recommendation is made for the benefit of all, as many people sleep in close quarters, workdays can become long for young ones, and meetings require attentive listening. Exceptions can be made on request. If you would like to bring young ones, please consider obtaining your family's accommodations in a private room.

### Do I need additional money?

Bringing some additional money is encouraged. When traveling with the caravan, we typically stop at a fast-food restaurant on the way to Rocky Point for lunch or snacks. In addition you may get the opportunity to explore dining or shopping with a group in Mexico. The Hot Dog stand out in front of the Villa Granada is very popular and inexpensive.

### What is the trip itinerary (plan)?

Each trip provides a unique experience; therefore, a visit to the trip itinerary section at [www.weekendmissions.com](http://www.weekendmissions.com) is encouraged. A quick view into a typical trip looks as follows:

#### **Friday:**

8am: meet caravan at Weekend Missions office

12pm: arrive at Villa Granada in Rocky Point, Mexico

4pm: Neighborhood ministry (a MUST for 1st time attendees!)

7pm: Group dinner and meeting at the Villa Granada. Job assignments and T-shirt hand out takes place at this meeting.

9pm: return to your accommodations for a good night's rest

#### **Saturday:**

7:30am: Breakfast, meeting, and encouraging words to get the day started right.

8:30am: Leave for your selected job site.

Lunch - You will take lunch, snacks, and drinks with you in the morning. You can have your lunch as you see fit.

4pm: Wrap up the job site and head in to clean up, pick up trash, enjoy a bible study or feed the poor. Many different opportunities take place Saturday evening; see itinerary for details.

Dinner depends on the evening's agenda. We will have dinner together at the Villa Granada.

**Sunday:**

9-11am - Church service at a local English-speaking or Spanish-speaking church. Again, check the itinerary as the start and church may vary.

Free day! Spend the afternoon shopping, swimming, or exploring. You are free to head home anytime. It is recommended to travel home with another car for safety. Border wait times into the United States vary during seasons.

What should I bring? Clothing, tools, bedding?

Clothing: Please dress appropriately for the weekend, modesty is encouraged. Check <http://www.weather.com> to help you determine temperatures.

Friday: Think comfortable! The drive down Friday will be in a vehicle for an extended amount of time. Friday dinner is very casual. Often, the evenings feel cooler than expected with the breeze off the ocean. Friday dinner is typically an outdoor experience.

Saturday: Think workwear! We encourage you to purchase a Weekend Missions T-shirt to wear while on the job site. This allows us to be easily recognized and promotes the group cause. Be prepared to get dirty on Saturday! You may be painting, doing drywall, roofing, or be a part of another messy project.

Saturday evening: Think Relax! You may have time to shop, walk on the beach, swim, or explore local tourism areas. Bring a swimsuit and towel if you'd like to enjoy the ocean. Again, dinner is casual and mainly outdoors, weather permitting. Sometimes we are in the local neighborhoods hosting a BBQ. If we have a BBQ you might just wear your day's work clothes directly from the job site to the BBQ.

Sunday: Think Tourist! You are able to choose many options for your day. The group will attend a local church, then some will leave right after service while others may choose to shop, have lunch, and explore or enjoy the ocean experience!

Tools: Bringing basic tools is not required. We have a supply of tools. We always accepted donations of tools, too!

Bedding: Plan for shared group sleeping arrangements. Bedding arrangements vary per trip. It's best to plan for a floor sleeping experience.