



## Delegation Expense Information 2017

**HOTEL COSTS** – There are two options for accommodations.

### **El Raizón Hotel**

The hotel **El Raizón** is offering their services again this year. For the Chacocente groups, they have given us a very special price, located at Km. 20.3 Carretera a Masaya, Masaya. The hotel has free Wi-Fi and a swimming pool. The hotel rooms have A.C., ceiling-fans, and Cable T.V. The hotel has just a few single rooms and several rooms for 2 or more people. There also are rooms for 6 people with one shower. The hotel also has private apartments with bedrooms, a living room, showers and toilets. Conference rooms are available for meetings or worship at no additional cost. There is a mini-supermarket that sells drinks, snacks and personal items. The hotel can accommodate up to 250 people.

### ***Room and Meal Prices:***

**\$16** per person per night for groups of 5 or more members. Buffet breakfast included. Breakfast is varied and includes fruits, juices, coffee, coffee with milk, etc

**\$23** per person per night for groups of less than 5 members. Buffet breakfast included. Breakfast is varied and includes fruits, juices, coffee, coffee with milk, etc.

*Breakfast* costs \$4 per person.

*Lunches* cost \$5 per person.

*Dinners* cost \$5 per person. The hotel does not serve pork, fish, or salads (only if requested).

For lunches and dinners they offer a variety of meals and steamed vegetables, Canelones (Spaghetti with shredded chicken), Lasagna, etc. They serve Pico de Gallo (chopped tomatoes with cilantro and lime or vinegar).

***Alcohol:*** We respectfully request you to limit your alcohol content.

***Food Delivery Available:*** Nancy's and Papa John's, Pizza Hut, Toscana, Tip-Top, Mi Viejo Ranchito (traditional food), and Salvadorian Pupusas.

***Water:*** and ice are ozonized (filtered).

**Use of swimming pool:** Pool is open from 7am to 7pm. There is no lifeguard on duty. The hotel requests that swimsuits be made of polyester or of other non-cotton material. Thongs are not allowed.

**All payments with Credit Cards have a 5% fee per transaction.** Please let us know ahead of time if you will be using a credit card.

**Mariela Martínez** (Hotel Manager) can be reached at:  
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Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/HotelElRaizon> .

### **Kathy's Guesthouse**

A new option for 2017 teams is Kathy's Guesthouse located at Km. 22 Carretera, Masaya. Kathy is a missionary working in the Masaya area since 2005. Her guesthouse can accommodate up to 36 people. The main building includes four bedrooms/bathrooms (for up to 6 people each), a dining hall, kitchen, event room, and covered porch. Two cottages adjacent to the main house each sleep 6 people. The facility also includes two covered pavilions, a covered courtyard and an in ground swimming pool. Air-conditioning is available in some rooms for an additional charge. The campus is protected by full time security guards.

#### **Room and Meal Prices:**

**\$25** per person per day/night. This includes breakfast.

*Lunches (take-out or dine in) and dinners cost \$5 per person.*

Meals are prepared onsite and include both Nicaraguan foods and American foods.

**Water** is ionized. Teams may travel with Kathy's 5-gallon water jugs if needed for \$2 each. If water jug is not returned, a \$10 fee will be charged.

**Alcohol:** We respectfully request that alcohol not be consumed.

**Kathy Kemmer** (Guesthouse Owner) can be reached at:  
Phone 505.8854.5885  
Email: [kjkemmer@yahoo.com](mailto:kjkemmer@yahoo.com)  
Website: <http://kathysguesthouse.com>

Please Note: Arrangements and payments for guests staying at Kathy's Guesthouse must be made to her directly.

## **OTHER EXPENSES**

**Transportation:** Airport pick-up and drop-off each count as days of stay regardless of arrival and departure times. The transportation company pays the drivers for a full day and pays the permits/driving permissions to the Ministry of Transportation per day, not per hour.

**Yellow School Bus:** \$230 per day. This service is for groups of 14 people or more.

**Van/ Microbus:** \$150 per day. This service is for groups 13 people or less.

Both services include fuel and driver. It does not include the meals for the drivers. Teams are asked to include the cost of meals for both the driver and Delegation Coordinator in their planning. The company guarantees your safety and the safety of your belongings at all times.

**Food/Lunches:** For the families of Chacocente working with the delegation: \$160 per week. We ask for this generous contribution since the families that work with us do not have time to cook their lunch on workdays.

**Lunches at Chacocente:** The women of Project Chacocente will prepare your lunches unless you specify that you have made other arrangements. The cost is \$6 per plate and includes beverages. This helps the women earn an income.

**Purified Water and Ice:** The cost of drinking water is \$12 per day for groups of 15 people or less and \$15 per day for groups of 16 people or more.

**Tips for Staff:** \$2 per person per day. The people serving you depend on the additional income of tips to sustain their families; please consider this when calculating tips.

**Nicaraguan Operational Expense:** \$5 per person per day. This supports the Delegation Coordinator's salary.

**Deposit:** \$150 This fee confirms your dates and is due at the time of reservation.

## **DONATION**

Project Chacocente relies entirely on donations from the USA. The cost of operating Chacocente Christian School alone is \$14,000 per month. We are grateful for any and all donations given by delegations to further the mission of this unique ministry! Work projects undertaken during your trip are not included in the annual operating budget and will require your funding. Projects may include construction, painting, agriculture, education, roofing, etc. and will be determined by you and the staff prior to your arrival.

We suggest you communicate with our Delegation Coordinator to determine the cost of the project you will be doing while in Nicaragua and gauge your donation accordingly.

We suggest a minimum donation of \$100 per person for Project Chacocente operating expenses.

### **TOURIST PACKAGES**

While in Nicaragua we hope you will enjoy some of the beauty the country has to offer. Below are a few options but if you would like more suggestions, please contact Omar.

***Masaya Volcano*** \$5 a person to visit this immense volcano.

***Canopy Zip Lining*** \$23 a person for a supervised experience of zip lining.

***Pochomil Beach*** \$13 per person for a day at this Pacific Ocean beach.

***Lake Nicaragua Islet Tour*** \$25 for a group of 13 people.

***Apoyo Lagoon*** \$17 per person includes swimming at La Posada de la Abuela.

***Granada City*** Tour the oldest colonial city in Nicaragua at your convenience.

### **MONEY**

American currency is accepted at most places in Nicaragua. It must be in very good condition without tears or markings.

### **PAYMENT**

Please send your check to the following address specifying "Delegation Expenses" on the memo line. Please attach the completed Delegation Cost Sheet.

***Please send your delegation expenses at least 1 month before your arrival.***

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