

The Island of Ometepe

Ometepe is an island formed by two volcanoes rising from Lake Nicaragua in the Republic of Nicaragua. Its name derives from the Nahuatl words *ome* (two) and *tepetl* (mountain), meaning two mountains. The two volcanoes, Concepción and Maderas, are joined by a low isthmus to form one island in the shape of an hourglass. Ometepe has an area of 276 km². It is 31 km long and 5 to 10 km wide.^[1] The island has a population of 42,000, and an economy based on livestock, agriculture, and tourism. Plantains are the major crop.

The most important villages on the island are Altagracia (pop. 4081), on the eastern side, and Moyogalpa (pop. 2905), with its harbor on the northwestern side of the island. These two villages are the centers of the two municipalities, between the island is divided.

Volcán Concepción (once named Ometepe volcano) is the northwest half of the island. Concepción is a symmetrical cone, and is still considered an active volcano. Concepción volcano rose in the early Holocene Epoch and, through continual eruptions, now reaches an altitude of 1 610 m. It is the world's highest lake island. The volcano went through a long quiet period, but on 8 December 1880 Concepción came back to life. This eruption was extensive, and the volcano remained active for a year. More eruptions followed in 1883, 1889, 1902, 1907, and 1924. The most recent eruption was in 1957.

The southeast half of the island consists of Volcán Madera, which has a crater lake and supports a diverse rainforest environment. This volcano also arose in the Holocene Epoch, and rises 1 394 m above sea level. The last eruption occurred in the 13th century. It is considered extinct or dormant. It is covered with coffee and tobacco plantations and the remaining rain forest.



2015 Ometepe Trip

September 27- October 6, 2015



INTEREST MEETINGS

April 23 or 28, 2015

7:00PM



What Will We Be Doing?

In 2010 and 2011 along with members of First Baptist Church Dallas Penn, our team worked with the Baptist Church of Moyogolpa in starting a new congregation in the town of Altagracia. The Lord truly blessed with many individuals praying to receive Christ. Team members can anticipate working with church members and interpreters to continue reaching people of the island with the message of Jesus Christ.



There is also the possibility that the team will be working in Altagracia in a VBS/Children's Ministry. Others will have the opportunity to lead Bible Studies or other evangelistic activities.

Team members will have the opportunity to share their personal testimony on a daily basis. It is important that each team member be able to share how they came to know Jesus Christ as their personal Savior and how to lead others in the plan of salvation with a lost person.



Seven Things A Missionary Needs To Do

1. All missionaries will need a valid Passport.
2. All missionaries will need to pay a \$300 deposit by June 1, 2015. Flight rates increase later.
3. All missionaries should check with their personal physician to determine what shots are needed. We will be outside of the metropolitan Managua area.
4. All missionaries should bring clothing for rainy season.
5. All missionaries should be able to share their personal testimony.
6. All missionaries should be saturating this mission in prayer with their prayer partners.
7. All missionaries be prepared to have their life changed.

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Itinerary:

Sept. 27, 2015

Depart Intercontinental6:10 PM
 Arrive Managua.....8:25 PM
 Depart Managua8:30 PM
 Arrive San Jorge Ferry.....1:00PM
 Arrive Moyogalpa, Ometepe4:00PM

Sept.28-October 4, 2015

Minister in Altagracia and Island of Ometepe

October 5, 2015

Depart Moyogalpa Ferry.....8:00AM
 Tourist Day
 Arrive Managua Hotel6:00PM

October 6, 2015

Depart for Managua Airport.....5:30AM
 Depart Managua.....7:15 AM
 Arrive Houston Intercontinental11:40AM

Approximate Trip Cost:

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| Flight (deduct if making own arrangements) | \$900.00 |
| Lodging Managua | \$ 80.00 |
| Lodging Moyogalpa | \$100.00 |
| Travel in Nicaragua | \$120.00 |
| Interpreter | \$200.00 |
| Health Insurance | \$ 20.00 |
| Total | \$1,425.00 |
| Total less Flight cost | \$520.00 |

Meals Additional \$200.00