

**Service Learning Opportunity Price Includes:**

- All surface transportation in the Dominican Republic related to the trip
- Lodging & Food: accommodations that will be clean but simple
- Fees and gratuities related to planned activities

**Service Learning Opportunity Price Does Not Include:**

- Round trip airfare
- Passport
- Visa and immunization fees
- Tools
- Insurance
- Telex and telephone charges
- Excess baggage or personal items
- Any excursions and adventures unrelated to the trip

Tour Cost \$120.00USD Per Person, Per Day  
This includes all in country costs and materials costs



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**CRWRC - Dominican Republic  
Service & Learning**

**Invites You To:**

**Barahona  
&  
Batey Chene**

**Spring &  
Summer  
2009**



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# LEARN

## CRWRC- DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

CRWRC has been working in the Dominican Republic since 1983. Home to some of the richest culture of both “Old” and “New” worlds, the Dominican Republic is filled with signs of its heritage. Sharing the island of Hispaniola with Haiti, the Dominican Republic has seen major developments over the last few years.

CRWRC’s major area of focus is working with the Haitian immigrants that live permanently in the Dominican Republic. Through CRWRC partner programs like Diaconía Reformada, CRWRC is working to improve the well-being of these people. You will have an opportunity to support the efforts of Diaconía Reformada.

## DIACONÍA REFORMADA

Diaconía Reformada is a program of the Christian Reformed Church of the Dominican Republic. This program trains local churches to reach out to communities with a variety of ministries.

# SERVE

- **WHAT ARE THE GOALS OF A SERVICE LEARNING OPPORTUNITY?**
  - To build relationships and offer encouragement and support to the Dominican people.
  - To share through exchange, establish solidarity, challenge worldviews, and give hope.
- **WHY SHOULD I GET INVOLVED?**
  - To raise awareness of the situations in the Dominican Republic in churches and other institutions in North America.
  - To encourage and worship with our brothers and sisters in the Dominican Republic.
- **HOW WOULD I HELP?**
  - By working with the Christian Reformed Church of the Dominican Republic and the community in Barahona building latrines in the community surrounding the church or in Batey Chene digging a water cistern to supplement local water supply in the dry seasons.
- **WHO CAN JOIN A SERVICE LEARNING OPPORTUNITY?**
  - Anyone at least 17-years-old.
  - Anyone willing to offer their time and hands in service to the Dominican people.
  - Anyone with good health and stamina to do hard physical work in hot weather.
  - Anyone willing and able to live in simple conditions (clean but simple or “in-door camping” conditions).
- **DO I NEED SPECIFIC SKILLS TO PARTICIPATE?**
  - Basic carpentry skills may be helpful, but not Required.
- **HOW LONG IS THE OPPORTUNITY?**
  - 7 to 10 days.
- **DO I NEED TO KNOW SPANISH?**
  - There will be a translator but learning some basic phrases and words before the trip would be helpful.

# RECEIVE

This Service Learning opportunity will allow you a first-hand view and understanding of the missionary task and life, which cannot be communicated in any other manner. You must not forget that as you serve, you will also receive spiritually from the people you meet, learn and grow as persons, gaining new insights on issues such as poverty/wealth, international relations, cross-cultural communication, and even construction methods. This opportunity may open up doors to build life-long relationships with believers in the Dominican Republic. Also, the Lord uses these opportunities and relationships in many lives to spiritually edify and even to call new missionaries.

# GROW

