

Itinerary Nicaragua Trip May 8-18, 2010 (estimate: 6 students @ \$1700 plus tuition)

May 8, 2010 Saturday

Fly to Houston and then Managua on Continental Airlines

Arrive about 9 pm

Be picked up in Managua by Omar Acosta, our chauffer for the next 10 days

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May 9, 2010 Sunday

Change money and buy water

Head south to Masaya Volcano.

Visit San Juan Oriente and see pottery being made, buy some

Lunch at Catarina Overlook

Take boat from Granada boat dock around Lake of Nicaragua and Las Isletas

Dinner in Managua at Tip Top Restaurant

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May 10, 2010 Monday

Pay Nubia for 3 home cooked dinners for Monday, Tuesday, and next Monday

Visit the 3,000 year old footprints

Visit the Roberto Huembes Market to buy souvenirs

Lunch at Dona Haydee Restaurant

Visit Pajarito Azul orphanage

Dinner at Nubia Sarria's house

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May 11, 2010 Tuesday

Visit Los Chvalitos medical clinic and walk around the barrio

Lunch at Ola Verde (vegetarian restaurant)

Visit Palacio Nacional (national museum)

Visit new Managua cathedral

Dinner at Nubia Sarria's house

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May 12, 2010 Wednesday

Leave in the morning for Leon

Buy water for the trip

Visit Leon Viejo, Nicaragua's only World Heritage Site

Lunch at Barbaro (restaurant) in Leon

Visit school for deaf children (open 2-5 pm)

Walk around Leon

Dinner at the Casa de Protocolo (courtesy of UNAN-Leon)

6 students sleep at Hotel Enrique III

Omar sleeps at Hotel Enrique III

Ann sleeps at the Casa de Protocolo

May 13, 2010 Thursday

Students make presentations to a Nicaraguan social work class

Attend an English class at UNAN-Leon so Nicaraguan students can practice English

Lunch at the Casa de Protocolo

Tour the 400 year old cathedral, including the roof

Lemonade break at El Sesteo (near cathedral)

Walk around the Plaza

Dinner at the Casa de Protocolo

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Omar sleeps at Hotel Enrique III

Ann sleeps at Casa de Protocolo

May 14, 2010 Friday

Students make presentations to a different social work class

Attend a different English class at UNAN-Leon to practice speaking English

Lunch at the Casa de Protocolo

Trip to San Jacinto to see the breathing hole of the Santa Clara volcano

Dinner at the Mediteraneo Restaurant

Students sleep at Hotel Enrique III

Omar sleeps at Hotel Enrique III

Ann sleeps at the Casa de Protocolo

May 15, 2010 Saturday

Students make presentations to a social work class of older students who go to school only on Saturday at UNAN-Leon

Lunch at the Casa de Protocolo

Travel to the beach for the weekend

Check into Barca de Oro beach hotel

Omar's family joins us for the weekend

Buy water and Gatorade for the trip

Dinner at Suyapa Beach Hotel

May 16, 2010 Sunday

Breakfast at Barca de Oro

Early morning boat ride through the Mangrove swamp to see the birds

Entry to the Island Juan Venado (a protected habitat for turtles)

Lunch at Barca de Oro

Afternoon on the beach

Dinner at Barca de Oro

May 17, 2010 Monday

Breakfast at Barca de Oro

Return to Leon from the beach to get suitcases and bid goodbye to maid, cook, and guard at Casa de Protocolo

Travel to Managua

Lunch at Pizza Hut in Managua

Revisit the Roberto Huembes Market in Managua for last minute souvenirs

Dinner at Nubia Sarria's house

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May 18, 2010 Tuesday

Omar takes the students and Ann to the Managua airport for their flight home