



# Grano De Oro, Costa Rica

## Area

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Deep in the mountains of Costa Rica, near Turrialba, there's a family that has worked feverishly for decades to translate the Bible into the native language of the local Bri Bri and Cabecar Indian language. The language had never been written prior to this family following God's lead to move from the United States and live among the tribes, building relationships. Once the language was written, then the painstaking process of translating the Bible began.

When you serve in Costa Rica with Group International Mission Trips, you'll have the chance to serve alongside a group of people who are providing Costa Ricans every opportunity to rise above the circumstances they were born into. This global experience will grow your faith and expand your understanding of the complexity of poverty.

## The Need

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Here are examples of the types of projects you might be involved with:

- Helping with the construction of buildings on site that will be used for various ministry purposes
- Assisting with a children's educational program at the local school, where many natives attend
- Working on a coffee farm that is a source of income for the ministry
- Assisting with other ministry needs as determined by the local leaders

## Our Partners

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In addition to providing Bibles, our ministry partner is involved in meeting physical and emotional needs as well. Their home and acreage has become a central hub of ministry. We'll stay with them for the week, working on projects of all kinds to help their ministry.

## Sample Itinerary

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Saturday – arrive into Juan Santamaría International Airport (SJO); located in San José, Costa Rica. Bus ride to Grano de Oro, which lasts about an hour and 30 minutes. Arrive at lodging facility and settle in.

Sunday – attend a local church; possibly see a local site or free afternoon

Monday-Thursday – service work and outreach projects

Friday – beach day, or other day activity such as zip-lining

Saturday – depart home

\*Optional pre- or post-trip add-ons available for this location; call Robin for details.

## Need to Know

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- A passport is needed to travel to Costa Rica.
- It's a good idea to be up to date on your standard vaccines such as Tetanus, Mumps, Measles, and Rubella. Hepatitis A vaccine is also recommended for anyone traveling outside of the U.S.
- Fly into the San José Airport. Airfare averages from \$450-\$600.
- Currency is the Colón. \$1 = about 558 Colones.
- There is a \$26 per person departure tax that you will need to pay at the airport prior to checking in for your departure flight.
- Spanish is the primary language.