

2026 GUIDEBOOK

# MESA INTERN MEXICO



Servant Partners International

MESA GLOBAL PARTNER





## Letter from the Directors

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,

In April 2009, we arrived in Mexico City to serve God among the urban marginalized of Chimalhuacán, located on the eastern edge of Greater Mexico City, in the State of Mexico. We came with open hearts and a desire to follow Jesus, living and serving incarnationally—and by God's grace we have witnessed His faithfulness in cross-cultural ministry. We love Mexico, and we deeply love the communities we serve.

Our work focuses on planting churches, organizing communities, and equipping local leaders toward individual, communal, and systemic transformation. What began as a five-year commitment has, by God's grace, grown into a lifelong calling. Today, three church plants are actively transforming their communities holistically in Chimalhuacán and in San José Palmas, Los Reyes La Paz.

At Servant Partners, we are committed to integral mission—a holistic expression of the gospel that unites proclamation with compassion, justice with discipleship, and presence with empowerment. Serving here is more than observing; it means actively joining God's mission. You will walk alongside our local team in incarnational ministry, build meaningful relationships with children, youth, and families, contribute to community transformation, and receive mentoring for your spiritual, emotional, and cross-cultural growth.

Thank you for considering this opportunity. We would be honored to have you join our team and are excited as you take steps of faith to walk this journey of hope among the urban poor and participate in the powerful work God is doing here.

Grace and peace,



**Phillip & Beauty Nodoro**

*Directors of Servant Partners - Mexico*

*Planting churches that transform their urban poor communities*



## LET'S JUMP IN

# Looking to spend 8 weeks using your skills to serve cross-culturally?

Servant Partners serves in the southeast of Mexico City, with ministry sites in Chimalhuacán, and Los Reyes La Paz. These communities face poverty, family disintegration, and limited opportunities, yet they are also vibrant centers where the Spirit of God is at work. Our locations are strategic hubs for holistic ministry, evangelism, and church planting in the greater Mexico City region.

**As a Mesa Intern with Servant Partners**, you will be immersed in cross-cultural ministry and holistic mission. You'll have the opportunity to serve in a wide range of ministries, including children's and youth clubs, community of arts (music classes, guitar, keyboard, vocal training, theater, dance, and drawing), sports ministry, trauma-informed and healing groups, discipleship groups, Bible studies, evangelism, worship and community. You will grow in humility, deepen your biblical and theological understanding of mission, and develop practical ministry skills by walking alongside local leaders and families in contexts of vulnerability.



## INTERNSHIP DETAILS

## What to Expect

Explore program deadlines, what to expect in your 8 weeks, and where you'll be located if you join the internship.

### Summer Details

June 1 - July 31, 2026

#### Application Deadline & Cost

Feb 1, 2026 \$3,500+airfare

#### Fundraising Deadline

Funds in full by May 1, 2026

### Fall Details

Sept 15 - Nov 15, 2026

#### Application Deadline & Cost

May 1, 2026/ 3,500 + airfare

#### Fundraising Deadline

Funds in full by Aug 1, 2026



Experience **cross-cultural immersion** on the outskirts of a metropolitan city



Participate in **Spanish language classes** to connect with the culture and engage in ministry at a heart level



**Serve in Mexican-led ministries** to learn how to use your skills and gifts to glorify God



Be equipped through **cross-cultural training** and spiritual formation



Have weekly **rhythms with a team** of young adults and seasoned leaders





## SUMMER INTERN

## Week in the life

Every week on the field is different! But here are some rhythms to expect each week of your summer internship.

- **Worship at a local church**  
*2 times per week*
  - **Bible Study/ discipleship programs**  
*2 times per week*
  - **Training and spiritual formation**  
*2 times per week*
  - **Kids/youth clubs & Communities of arts**  
*3 times per week total*
  - **Language class and tutoring**  
*1 time a week*
  - **Sabbath**  
*1 day per week*
- 📌 See day in the life posts from our interns by heading to our “Interns” story highlight on [Instagram](#)





## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



### **Do I need to know Spanish beforehand?**

Basic Spanish is helpful but not mandatory. Language acquisition is part of the immersion experience.



### **What do program costs include?**

The program cost covers all your living expenses during your time in Mexico. This includes food, educational material and rent. Airfare is not included, but it is recommended you raise extra funds for this.



### **How will I spend my time as an intern?**

Outside of trainings, interns also receive local ministry assignments, practice spiritual disciplines (e.g. Sabbath, prayer, silence and solitude), engage in peer accountability, and receive regular mentoring. The internship experience is designed to help interns grow in their connection with God, with each other, and with the poor. It is a powerful, life-changing time for maturing in your faith and discerning next steps in serving alongside the marginalized.



## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



### Where will I live?

Interns will live with Mexican host families (trusted Christian families), warm and hospitable



### Is the area safe?

While Chimalhuacán presents urban challenges, we have been ministering in this community for over a decade and have established strict safety protocols developed over a decade of ministry which include:

- Clear movement protocols: No solo travel. Interns always go in pairs or with staff.
- Nighttime restrictions: Interns return to base before dark unless in supervised events.
- Regular check-ins: Interns check in with the team and have local emergency contacts.
- Medical access: Clinics and hospitals are accessible within 15–30 minutes.
- Cultural orientation: Interns receive training in cultural sensitivity, safety, and contextual ministry.

No region is risk-free, but with humility, caution, and prayer, interns can minister safely and meaningfully.





## Quiz

# Is a Summer Missions Program For Me?

*Let's see if you check some boxes:*

- ☐ I'm available for 8 weeks this summer
- ☐ I'm a follower of Jesus and wanting to grow spiritually
- ☐ I'm adaptable and teachable
- ☐ I want to serve in a cross-cultural environment
- ☐ I'm willing to raise funds for this role

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## TESTIMONIALS

# Hear from our Alumni



"I am learning to live simply—and it is transforming me. I have developed the routine of studying the Bible and meditating on the Word daily, something made possible by all the practices of simplicity I am learning to implement. Simply sitting in silence, in His presence, centers me and has the power to completely change the trajectory of my day/week."

ALAINA - 2024 INTERN



"In my limitations, in my imperfections, in my lack of experience, I have almost been forced to look to the One who has no limits, the One who is perfect. And this has been a blessing. Learning everyday and constantly being reminded of my need for Christ not just in terms of ministry here, but also in my everyday walk and pursuit of Him."

MARCUS - 2025 INTERN



## NEXT STEPS

# Get Connected

Ready to explore serving and training in missions for a summer in Mexico? We'd love to chat with you!

## Step 01: APPLY

Submit a **Mesa Intern Application** for a summer of service. Then, our mobilization team will reach out with next steps!



**HAVE A QUESTION?** ASK OUR DIRECTOR OF  
MOBILIZATION & ONBOARDING, JENNIFER, AT  
[JMCINNIS@MESAGLOBAL.CO](mailto:JMCINNIS@MESAGLOBAL.CO)

## Step 02: FOLLOW US

Don't miss a beat & follow us on social media to keep up to date with news, stories from the field, tips for serving cross-culturally, and more!



***WE HOPE TO SEE  
YOU IN MEXICO!***

