



**Seeking Trip Participants:  
Mission Trip to Nosara, Costa Rica  
February 22- March 2, 2020**

Trip sponsored by Richmond Congregational Church, UCC – Richmond, VT

In February 2020, we will return to Nosara, Costa Rica to work with Mercy Home Ministries to build one or two homes for families in need. The trip is open to high school aged youth (with a parent chaperone) and adults from Richmond, VT and beyond! Rev. Neal Sadler will be leading this year's trip. **If you are interested in learning more about the trip, please contact Neal at [nealsadler@yahoo.com](mailto:nealsadler@yahoo.com)**

**About the Trip:** *Mercy Home Ministries works to empower families in need by providing them with new housing and an improved quality of life. Currently they have a waiting list of more than 75 families in Nosara. Each trip participant pays for their own travel, room and board. As a group we will also fundraise \$6,000/house to pay for building materials and skilled labor (electrician, roofing, plumbing). Before we arrive, MHM staff will pour a concrete pad. During the week workdays we build and paint wall panels, install windows and doors, and work together with the MHM staff to assemble the houses on site. MHM staff will install the roof, wiring and plumbing. These homes are simple in construction – a cement foundation, cement board walls and a corrugated metal roof, but life changing for the families who receive them. At the end of the week we celebrate by dedicating each house and gifting it to the family. In addition to work, we will also have time at the end of the work week for recreation to enjoy the natural beauty and beaches of Costa Rica's Pacific Coast.*

**Land Costs:** \$750/person includes room, board, most meals, land transportation including to and from the airport in Liberia, Costa Rica when traveling with the group on 2/22 and 3/2. Earlier return flights will have to make their own arrangements.

**Air Fare:** Each person is responsible for reserving their own roundtrip airfare to the Liberia, Costa Rica Airport. We will try to coordinate flights if possible, but will not be booking group tickets.

**Fundraising:** Group members will be asked to participate in fundraising activities in their local context/church to help contribute towards the house building costs.

