



HIGH SCHOOL BOYS MEXICO TOUR 2018

Ambassadors Football has been conducting tours across the globe since 1990. These tours have impacted the lives of millions of people around the globe, and just as importantly, those whom have traveled and participated in the tours. Ambassadors Football Tours are life-changing opportunities that will impact each tour member for years to come.

Below is important information regarding the tour. If you have any additional questions please contact **John Boggs**: jboggs@ambassadorsfootball.org / 330-888-9631

DESTINATION:

Puebla, Mexico

DATES:

June 4-14, 2018

PRICE:

\$1860 USD

Includes

- Airfare from Cleveland (flights in and out of Mexico City)
- Hotel Accommodations
- Meals (breakfast, lunch, and dinner each day)
- In country transportation
- Ambassadors Football Mexico t-shirts
- Ambassadors FC Tour gear
- Tourist activities including museum visit and trip to the pyramids

TOUR OBJECTIVES:

1. Share the love of Christ to the Mexican people through football (soccer) outreach activities.
2. Offer ministry and missions opportunities to young high school players.
3. Promote and build awareness of Ambassadors Football Mexico throughout the region.
4. Establish and strengthen contacts and relationships for Ambassadors Football Mexico.

TOUR ACTIVITIES INCLUDED:

As part of the tour you will participate in several activities including:

- Four-team round-robin tournament, including the U18 team from AFC Mexico.
- Fellowship activities with Ambassadors Football Mexico.
- Visit to a local orphanage.
- Outreach program in an underprivileged community.

VISA & PASSPORT REQUIREMENTS:

There are no VISA requirements for people coming from the USA to enter Mexico as tourists, staying less than 90 days. However, parents or guardians will need to sign a waiver so that the tour leaders have full legal responsibility for all underage players.

Each player must have a valid US Passport that remains valid past the return date of the trip. For more information please visit the US State Department Mexico page [HERE](#). This page includes the links to the forms that minors traveling without a parent on this tour will need complete and submit to Ambassadors Football.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Each participant is required to fill out an official application as well as a coach's reference.

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Deadlines:

- Application, Coach Reference, and \$250 Deposit: **MARCH 1ST**
- 1st Payment: \$ 500: **MARCH 15th**
- 2nd Payment: \$ 500: **APRIL 1ST**
- Final Payment: \$ 610: **MAY 1ST**

PAYMENT ▶

For all tour related expenses

Note: Your \$250 Deposit is non-refundable and is required before any application can be accepted.

FACTS ABOUT PUEBLA, MEXICO:

- Located in East-Central Mexico, it is one of the 32 states of the Mexican Republic. Its capital city is Puebla, founded by the Spanish in 1531.
- Located on the east of the volcanoes Popocatepetl and Iztaccihuatl, which have much significance among many communities nearby.
- It is home to five major indigenous groups: Nahuas, Totonacas, Mixtecas, Popolocas, and Otomi.
- The Historic Center of Puebla has been a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1987, containing 2619 monuments distributed across 391 blocks.
- The Talavera pottery from Puebla is one of the most emblematic crafts, among many others.
- The gastronomy is one of the most diverse and exquisite in all of Mexico, with a distinctive blend of pre-Hispanic and European cooking techniques.
- The predominant religion is Catholicism, and the most popular sport is football (soccer).

SAFETY IN PUEBLA:

Puebla is one of the most secure cities in Mexico. As in any metropolitan city, petty theft can happen. However, traveling in a group, being led by locals, and generally being aware should prevent any problems.

FACTS ABOUT AMBASSADORS FOOTBALL MEXICO:

- As an extension of Ambassadors Football International, it was established in Mexico in early 2014 as a non-profit.
- Our office is led by Phil Cabildo, a Mexican/American who was born in Puebla, Mexico, and grew up there until he was 17. He then went to college in the USA. After graduating college he joined Ambassadors in 2005 and has served at Ambassadors ever since in the USA, Spain, South Africa, and now in Mexico since 2014, where he started the work there.
- We run several programs: Football Club, Community Programs, PE classes at a school, RETAS, chaplaincy in universities, and national and international tours.
- The Football Club started in February 2015, and since then our players have grown, both individually and as a team. In the first two years, the U18 team reached the quarterfinals in 2016 and the final in 2017. Their character has been formed on and off the pitch. The boys continue to grow and learn as they prepare to play in college.
- We work with different communities organizing free clinics for the youth in order to share Christian values and utilizing the sport to keep the youth away from drugs, alcohol and violence.