



# HT Abroad

2023 - Dominican Republic

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## FAQs

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## Give me the quick details!

- Who? Young Adults ages 18-24
- Where? Santiago, Dominican Republic
- When? June 30 - July 8, 2023
- Cost? \$3000\*
- Need? Passport!

*\*Higher Things is actively working to decrease this cost through sponsorships and scholarships, but you should be prepared for approximately this amount.*

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## Must I be able to speak Spanish?

No. Speaking Spanish will be super helpful but absolutely not necessary. We'll work through some common phrases beforehand as a group, and if you speak Spanish, we'll lean on you a bit to help out while we're traveling!

## What other requirements are there?

You must be willing to follow all CDC guidelines for international travel to the Dominican Republic. This includes required vaccines and recommended medications.

## I'm older than 24 and would like to accompany the young adults from my church. Can I come?

While we'd love to have anyone and everyone along for this trip, we're only accepting applications from 18-24-year-old adults. We're forming leaders of the church through hands-on service in another country. Want to support that? Donate towards the scholarships that will help offset the participants' fees!

## Tell me more about where the HT

### Abroad participants will serve.

Higher Things is excited to work in cooperation with the LCMS Office of International Missions, which has a thriving presence in the Dominican Republic. Find out more about their work [on their website!](#)

## What is included in the cost?

### Included

- International travel
- Room & Food
- VBS materials and supplies
- Translators and local guides
- HT Leadership Retreat

### Not Included

- Travel to and from Miami, FL
- Personal items and supplies
- Snacks & beverages
- Spending cash for souvenirs

## What will we be doing?

The HT Abroad team (14 young adults and 5 HT Staff members) will travel together to Santiago, Dominican Republic. While there, we'll be hosting a VBS for a local mission congregation. It'll be an HT-produced curriculum that has been translated into Spanish. Along with serving locally, you'll also be learning and receiving the gifts by participating in an HT retreat just for the attendees. This retreat for you exclusively will be led by the HT staff in Santiago. We'll also take in some local sites and cuisine, learn how word and sacrament ministry is done outside the states with the LCMS International Mission team in the Dominican Republic. Expect to be taken out of your comfort zone, to be awed by what the Holy Spirit is doing in the Church at large, to grow in faith, and to have confidence in your vocation to *lead anywhere!*

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