**ARGENTINA**
Multi-Purpose Room/Mission Rally

**Dates:** Flexible in Spring or Fall

**Individual Costs:** Approx. $625- This includes food, lodging, in-country transportation, and travel/health insurance. This is an estimated cost and does not include international flights, and is based on a team of 10 people for 8 days in country.

**Project Costs:** $16,100. This includes materials for construction. This is a shared cost between all team members.

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**Project Description:**
Partner with LHM—Argentina in expanding the facilities used by congregation Emanuel in the city of Puerto Madryn. Emanuel began in 1995 providing the Gospel to needy children and also as a place to give children and families help and stability. The congregation has continued to grow and gradually has become a Home School. The initial aim was strengthened as it became support for learning and support for social and family relationships. Now children from 6-16 have a place to learn as well as hear the Word of God; they like to participate in worship and sing songs to our God. More and more children and their families continue to join the congregation. Expansion of the current building is needed to expand the outreach and continue to offer Bible study, children’s programs and community outreach events.

**Project Location:**
Puerto Madryn is located on the cliffs of a small, high plateau on the Atlantic Ocean. Due to its location, rainfall is minimal with average temperatures ranging from 40° in the winter and 95° in the summer.

Founded in 1865 with the arrival of 150 Welsh immigrants, the City of Puerto Madryn has a large population and thousands of tourists visit this destination each year to experience whale watching.

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LHM International Volunteer Trips provide the opportunity to learn through authentic cross-cultural experiences and have the opportunity to share the love of Jesus. If you are interested in touching lives, please call Chris Myers at 314-317-4268 or 1-800-944-3450, ext. 4268; or by email christine.myers@lhm.org.
Sample Itinerary
Day 1. Arrive in Buenos Aires with connecting flight to Puerto Madryn
Day 2. Worship. Visit ministry center. Sightseeing
Day 3  Workday
Day 4. Workday
Day 5. Workday
Day 6  Workday
Day 7. Church Mission Rally Celebration
Day 8. Depart for home

A detailed itinerary will be customized and provided to you by LHM according to your travel days and team size.

Entry Documentation
- U.S. Passport must be valid 6 months beyond arrival date
- When entering Argentine Territory, the American nationals must pay a "reciprocity fee" of $160 or its equivalent in Argentinean pesos. The payment of this reciprocity fee is NOT a visa, since Argentina does not require visa to American nationals when travelling for tourism or business purposes.

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Washington, DC 20009
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Email: consular@embassyofargentina.us
Web: www.embassyofargentina.us
Jurisdiction: Washington, D.C., Delaware, Maryland, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia. Please visit the Embassy of Argentina website for the most current visa information.

Sightseeing
The team will have options to visit different sites for a rich cultural experience in Argentina. In Valdes Peninsula, the team will have opportunity to join whale watching boat excursions. Puta Tombo Natural Protected Area offers viewing of Magellan penguins. The team will also want to make time to taste the famous Welsh tea in nearby Gaiman.

Insurance Coverage
Medical evacuation insurance is mandatory for all team members. LHM provides insurance from AIG at the cost of $3.30 a day. We will provide you with an insurance card with a policy number and a contact phone number in cases of extreme emergency – i.e. something that requires evacuation. For all other claims please pay any bills that you incur and make a claim directly to the insurance company upon your return.

Lodging and Meals
Based on availability, accommodations will be made at El Gualicho hostel http://elgualicho.com.ar/ near the church. Meals will take place at local restaurants with breakfast being included at the hotel.
**Budget**  
Sample budget based on 10 people for 8 days:

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<td>Travel Insurance</td>
<td>$3.30 per person per day, including travel days</td>
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<td>Lodging</td>
<td>2 nights in Buenos Aires, 5 nights in Puerto Madryn (quadruple occupancy) breakfast included at hotel</td>
<td>$220.00</td>
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<td>Food- lunch &amp; dinner</td>
<td>$37.50 average for 8 days</td>
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<td>Transportation</td>
<td>$150 for 8 days divided by 10 people</td>
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<td>Bottled Water</td>
<td>$5 per day x 8 days</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
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You must also budget for your international flights, connecting flight to Puerto Madryn from Buenos Aires, immunizations, if needed, reciprocity fee and miscellaneous costs with sightseeing and souvenirs. An airport tax should be included with your flight costs. Be sure to check this when booking your flights.

The budget is an estimate and your team may choose to eat more or less expensive, which would alter your budget. We generally over-budget as much as possible so you do not run short of funds; we encourage you to have extra funds available. It would also be wise to carry a small amount of additional contingency funds for any medical emergencies or unexpected costs that may occur. If using a credit or debit card while in country, please notify your credit card company and bank before departure to allow card usage in Argentina.

**Project Costs**  
Project costs are $16,100 which covers all the materials for construction materials, print materials and Mission Rally, plus administrative costs. These costs are a shared cost from all the team members. The timeline for payment of both Project Costs and Individual Costs will be provided once specific travel dates are determined. Project Costs must be paid 4 weeks prior to departure and Individual Costs must be paid 2 weeks prior to departure. In some cases, if LHM needs to make hotel or transport reservations, we may ask for partial payments to be made on a different timeline.
Vaccine-Preventable Diseases

Vaccine recommendations are based on the best available risk information. Please note that the level of risk for vaccine-preventable diseases can change at any time.

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<td>Routine</td>
<td>Recommended if you are not up-to-date with routine shots such as, measles/mumps/rubella (MMR) vaccine, diphtheria/pertussis/tetanus (DPT) vaccine, poliovirus vaccine, etc.</td>
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<td><strong>Hepatitis A</strong> or immune globulin (IG)</td>
<td>Recommended for all unvaccinated people traveling to or working in countries with an intermediate or high level of hepatitis A virus infection (see map) where exposure might occur through food or water. Cases of travel-related hepatitis A can also occur in travelers to developing countries with &quot;standard&quot; tourist itineraries, accommodations, and food consumption behaviors.</td>
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<td>Hepatitis B</td>
<td>Recommended for all unvaccinated persons traveling to or working in countries with intermediate to high levels of endemic HBV transmission (see map), especially those who might be exposed to blood or body fluids, have sexual contact with the local population, or be exposed through medical treatment (e.g., for an accident).</td>
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<td>Typhoid</td>
<td>Recommended for all unvaccinated people traveling to or working in Temperate South America, especially if staying with friends or relatives or visiting smaller cities, villages, or rural areas where exposure might occur through food or water.</td>
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<td><strong>Yellow Fever</strong></td>
<td><strong>Requirements:</strong> None</td>
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<td><strong>Recommendations:</strong></td>
<td><strong>Recommended</strong> for all travelers ≥9 months of age who are going to northern and northeastern forested areas of Argentina bordering Brazil and Paraguay &lt;2,300 m in elevation(^d) (see Map 3-19). Travelers to designated departments in the following provinces should be vaccinated: Corrientes (Berón de Astrada, Capital, General Alvear, General Paz, Itatí, Ituzaingó, Paso de los Libres, San Cosme, San Martín, San Miguel, Santo Tomé) and Misiones (all departments). Vaccination is also recommended for travelers visiting Iguassu Falls.</td>
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<td><strong>Generally not recommended</strong> for travelers whose itinerary is limited to the designated departments in the following provinces &lt;2,300 m in elevation(^d): Chaco (Bermejo), Formosa (all departments), Jujuy (Ledesma, San Pedro, Santa Bárbara, Valle Grande), and Salta (Anta, General José de San Martín, Oran, Rivadavia) (see Map 3-19).</td>
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<td><strong>Not recommended</strong> for travelers whose itineraries are limited to areas &gt;2,300 m in elevation(^d) and all provinces and departments not listed above.</td>
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<td>Vaccination should be given 10 days before travel and at 10 year intervals if there is ongoing risk. <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/yellowfever/">Find an authorized U.S. yellow fever vaccination clinic</a>.</td>
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**Rabies vaccination** is only recommended for certain travelers, including:

- travelers with high occupational risks, such as veterinarians
- long-term travelers and expatriates living in areas with a high risk of exposure
- travelers involved in any activities that might bring them into direct contact with bats, carnivores, and other mammals, such as wildlife professionals, researchers, veterinarians, or adventure travelers visiting areas where bats, carnivores, and other mammals are commonly found

**Malaria**

**Areas of Argentina with Malaria:** Rural areas of northern Salta Province (along Bolivian border). Rare cases reported in the city of Puerto Iguazú in Misiones Province. No transmission at Iguassu Falls. ([more information](#))

If you will be visiting an area of Argentina with malaria, you will need to discuss with your doctor the best ways for you to avoid getting sick with malaria. Ways to prevent malaria include the following:

- Taking a prescription antimalarial drug
- Using insect repellent and wearing long pants and sleeves to prevent mosquito bites
- Sleeping in air-conditioned or well-screened rooms or using bednets

It is particularly important when traveling to Argentina that you have detailed information of where you are going within this country, because malaria prevention recommendations vary depending on where you go within the country.

*This information is based on current information from CDC and often depends on where the team travels in Argentina. Always consult with your doctor regarding vaccinations, as Lutheran Hour Ministries cannot be held liable for any recommendations made.*

Please visit [http://www.cdc.gov/travel](http://www.cdc.gov/travel) for the most current information on travel immunizations.

**Training Manuals and Forms**

Team training manuals are provided to each team member and contain required travel forms for each team member to fill out and return to LHM. Please note: some forms will need to be notarized.

Mail forms to: *Lutheran Hour Ministries*

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Electricity
In Argentina, the voltage is 220v with the frequency of 50Hz. For more information on electricity in Argentina, please visit [http://kropla.com/electric2.htm](http://kropla.com/electric2.htm)

Type C Electrical Receptacle

Information on the Type C European 2-pin Electrical Adapter Plug and Electrical Outlet

Popularly known as the Europlug, the Type C electrical plug is a two-pin unearthed plug used throughout continental Europe, parts of the Middle East, and much of Africa, South America, central Asia, and the former Soviet republics.

Type I Electrical Receptacle

Information on the Type I Australian plug Electrical Adapter Plug and Electrical Outlet

The Type I Electrical Plug has two flat, oblique blades that form an inverted V, and a grounding blade.
LHM Ministry-Argentina
The Lutheran Hour Ministries- Argentina (LHM) shares the Gospel in a variety of culturally appropriate ways. LHM staff and volunteers reach out to Argentines, especially those suffering from inequalities in social class, insufficient education, health care, and basic needs.

Outreach programs include radio broadcast which consist of 30 second spots and 12 second spots read by the radio announcer. Internet communication provides a cyber library with a summary of each booklet that they provide. Project JOEL is a mission outreach in order to help youth and get them in contact with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

LHM – Argentina also trains and equips laypeople in our partner churches to share the Good News through Equipping the Saints (ETS).

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