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| **TH July 27** | **FR July 28** | **SAT July 29** | **SUN July 30** | **MON July 31** | **TUES Aug 1** |
|  | Educational visit in Managua with CEPAD?  brief tour of capital | “scavenger hunt” to get to know downtown Leon | FAMILY DAY  Enjoy the day with your host family! | Visit Rural San Carlos and meet with youth group - play soccer &/or baseball- hear about their goal to create a formal recreation spot | 8:30 AM: Tour of indigenous neighborhood of Sutiaba  Split the group to visit a public school OR the Special School (mentally challenged, deaf blind) |
|  | Lunch TBD | Lunch: TBD | Eat with families | Lunch: beach restaurant | Lunch: TBD |
| Arrive and  overnight in Managua at CEPAD (Council of Protestant Churches in Nicaragua) | 2 hour ride to Leon,  Orientation on culture and homestays  REFLECTION  Meet host families and get situated at “La Villa 23 de Julio” neighborhood | History and politics through murals and walking tour  REFLECTION |  | Pacific Ocean!  Relax, wade in the rushing waves, REFLECTION, and watch the sunset over the water | Xuchialt art school – learn about traditional arts and make a colored sawdust carpet.  REFLECTION |

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| **WED Aug 2** | **TH Aug 3** | **FRI Aug 4** | **SAT Aug 5** | **SUN Aug 6** | **MON Aug7** |
| Return to San Carlos countryside community.  Deliver donations to health center and learn about healthcare in rural Nicaragua | Early departure for active volcano Cerro Negro.  Climb up side path for spectacular view at the top and walk/slip & slide down black pumice sand  (free time downtown for those who prefer not to trek) | Religion in Nicaragua:  Visit churches and programs in Leon.  Learn about the historical and sociological influence of the Catholic church. | TBD based on feedback from trip participants | Final good-bye  Shopping at the market and souvenir shops | Depart for U.S. |
| Picnic lunch  REFLECTION | Lunch: TBD | Lunch: TBD | Lunch: TBD | Lunch: TBD |  |
| Meet with residents and learn about their efforts in organizing for clean water, better education and security | Environment  - participate in a workshop at SONATI organization dedicated to environmental education, conservation and recycling  -learn about renewable energy resources, climatic dry zone, deforestation and water access.  REFLECTION | Visit a Lutheran mission *El Ayudante* Family Enrichment Center  Visit a Catholic mission that attends to poor and homeless  REFLECTION | Afternoon REFLECTION at the community center  Evening  Good-bye pot-luck and piñata with families | Travel to Managua, stopping at Nagarote “the cleanest city in Nicaragua”  REFLECTION  Overnight in Managua |  |