HAITI

MORENCY, A SMALL FISHING VILLAGE OUTSIDE OF LES CAYES, ON THE SOUTHERN COAST OF HAITI.

PARTNER: 410 BRIDGE

A community development organization that focuses on holistic development in the areas of water, health, spirituality, economics and education.

WHAT THE COUNTRY IS LIKE:

Haiti is a complicated country with a complex culture and history. The poorest country in the western hemisphere, Haiti experiences many difficulties due to poverty, governmental corruption and natural disasters. Haiti was the first free black republic in the world, and most Haitians trace their lineage back to Africa. You'll notice the African influence on the culture and food, creating an interesting mix of African and Caribbean cultures, with a dash of voudou. The Haitian people are strong, resilient and welcoming to visitors.



LANGUAGE French Creole



PRICE ~\$2,000



FAMILY-FRIENDLY Age minimum 12



FITNESS LEVEL 6/10 — Extended periods of walking, often up hills



ACCOMODATIONS Hotel or guesthouse, expect cold showers, limited AC and limited WIFI.



FOOD We'll eat local cuisines like rice and beans, goat, lobster and fresh fruit.

WHAT WE'LL BE DOING:

Most of our work in Haiti has focused on improving the education system, so we'll work in the schools either doing improvement projects or interacting with the kids. We'll also participate in general community development and strengthening programs. On a vision trip, the goal is to catch the vision of what God is doing in Morency and indentify how we can be a part of it.

WHAT TRAVEL IS LIKE:

It's a short flight from BNA to somwhere in the U.S., usually Miami, then another short flight into Port au Prince (PAP). We usually leave early in the morning and arrive to PAP in the afternoon. From there, we'll take a truck to the South, usually about a five hour drive and remain there until our return.

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SAT Depart BNA early, arrive to PAP in the afternoon. Overnight in PAP

SUN Early departure for the South, about a five hour drive, arrive in Morency. Community welcome ceremony and tour

MON Interact with the children in the schools and teach an English lesson

TUES-WED Community service project

THURS Meet with business startup leaders and learn about their progress

FRI Departure ceremony in Morency, afternoon departure back to PAP

SAT Depart PAP in the AM, arrive to BNA in the afternoon