



"Christ is the base who will help us develop into our fullest potential in an integrated way."

BENJO PAREDES, President of CENATEC,
SIFAT's partner organization in Bolivia

BOLIVIA QUESIMPUCO



JOIN A TEAM!

Are you interested in joining or leading a SIFAT team to share God's love in practical ways? We are currently in need of construction, medical and VBS teams to serve in Bolivia. If you want to join or lead a team, you can find available dates at sifat.org/international-missions. Contact SIFAT's International Team Coordinator at internationalteams@sifat.org, or by calling (256) 396-2015.

Join SIFAT on a short-term mission team for long-term development!



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Part of SIFAT's vision is to bridge the First and Two-thirds Worlds. One way we do this is by providing ways for North American churches and organizations to become personally involved with international projects, helping empower our SIFAT graduates in their work.



Short-Term Teams for Long-Term Development

We want to help make it as easy as possible for you to plan a meaningful mission trip for your group. SIFAT serves in many countries on approved projects of our SIFAT graduates and always at their invitation. We call this *short-term teams for long-term development*. Usually churches, college ministries or university groups take teams with a minimum of 10, and preferably 15-25 team members, for 10 days, to work on these projects. SIFAT can provide turn-key service, including airline reservations, for our teams.



HISTORY

Some 13,500 feet in the Andes, 300 miles and a day's journey by jeep from La Paz, lies the village of Quesimpuco. More than 10,000 people live beyond Quesimpuco in the Chaupirana Valley, accessible only by narrow foot trails carved into steep mountainsides. Quesimpuco is in the province of Chayanta in North Potosi, one of the poorest and most remote areas in the Americas.

SIFAT has worked in this area since 1995. Our short-term mission teams have built a church, a high school, a clinic and a boarding home for students from remote villages where there are no schools. We have been able to reach many communities with education, appropriate technology, health training and scholarships. Our high school graduates have gone on to study at universities and have become nurses, agronomists, teachers, medical doctors and more. These young people are now returning to Quesimpuco and Chayanta to make a real difference in their communities.

Our focus areas for the next five years are Training, Health, Discipleship and Socioeconomic Development. With a local grassroots farmers' association and members of the community, our teams will work on an irrigation system, guinea pig farms and hydroponic systems. SIFAT medical teams will work with the Local Health Watch Program, supervised by Dr. Ruth Mamani, valedictorian of our first graduating class. Much is left to be done across tribal boundaries, generational divides and cultural walls. SIFAT teams will continue to work alongside the people of the Chayanta River Valley in their quest to live a more abundant life.



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