

# San Luis Potosi trip

## September 28-October 5

The weeklong program will include:

- local church worship experiences
- dialogue with the Round Table and their representatives
- dialogue with indigenous groups, pastors, and youth and young adults
- presentation and visit to one or more Mexican Woman-to-Woman projects
- visit to rural community
- cultural visits and shopping in the city center
- excursion and sightseeing

The *Mujer a Mujer Mexicana*, Mexican Woman to Woman, is one of the main ministries of the Round Table. Its emphasis is on micro-credit efforts through which women take out loans at a low interest rate for family income-generation projects. They are scheduled to pay back the loans from their proceeds in order to benefit additional women with loans every three years. This year ends a cycle and starts another with new women benefiting from the project, and we will join in their celebration.

You are invited to prayerfully consider the idea of joining this pilgrimage of presence and solidarity with our Mexican sisters and brothers. Fill out your application today!

The cost for the trip is \$1,500. This covers airfare, travel insurance, and all in country expenses including all food, entry fees, transportation, and lodging.

Application deadline is **Thursday, July 18**. Please forward completed application and other requested materials to Sandy Kincaid at [sandy@indianadisciples.org](mailto:sandy@indianadisciples.org).

For more information about the trip itself please contact Rick Spleth, [rick@indianadisciples.org](mailto:rick@indianadisciples.org).

### About the city of San Luis Potosí

Nestled in the center of Mexico, San Luis Potosí has a beautiful and cozy historic city center, declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO in 2010. The city's central square is home to many beautifully preserved and historically significant colonial buildings. The colonial center has since been closed off to traffic to help preserve its architectural treasures. This city is also the capital of the state of San Luis Potosí which has some of the richest silver mines in Mexico. It is also where Gonzales Bocanegra wrote the Mexican national anthem in 1854. Descendants of the Huastecos, Chichimecas and Guachichile Indians make up a large segment of the state's present population, many of whom continue to speak their native language. It is difficult to not succumb to the beauty of San Luis Potosí's rivers, blue and green waterfalls, charming villages, and lingering, orange-colored sunsets that will fill you with peace. San Luis Potosí is the hometown of Indiana Disciples pastor Bere Gil Soto who will accompany the group on this trip.

