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Dear St. Paul's El Salvador Supporter,

Over Spring Break this year, 19 young men from St. Paul's High School and 5 students from St. Boniface High School will be embarking on a 10 day, life-changing journey to aid the small village of San Jose Las Flores in El Salvador. This is a journey that has changed the lives of many St. Paul's men that came before them, and has profoundly changed the lives of the people living in this small town. For the past five years, the young men of St. Paul's have literally left their mark on the landscape of this developing village.

Over the past five years, the mission team has worked in four different villages. The work has included the construction of a church, introduction of a scholarship program for local students, construction of a community garden, construction of a septic system for the school, upgrades to the local church and community house, clothing donation, road construction, tree planting to prevent soil erosion, teaching English, ongoing support of sports teams, clinics, and the Loma Linda women's group, the construction of a Tilapia pool, and the repair of a school.

The mission of our students this year will be to assist in the construction of a fence around the school for the security of the children and staff.

As part of the mission experience, the students and their families are required to raise the funds necessary for this project. To support this project we are planning a fundraising dinner to be held on Thursday, March 9th at St. Paul's High School. Proceeds from this event will be used to purchase the building materials required for the project. We are therefore seeking contributions for this event. Please consider donating a gift for our silent auction or a cash donation to be used directly towards the mission. Cash donations over \$20.00 are eligible for a tax receipt. All donors will be acknowledged during the event and in the event program.

If you have any questions, please contact Tania Mastin (silent auction coordinator) at mastinrt@mts.net.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Your support for this very worthy, life-changing cause is tremendously appreciated.

Sincerely,

The El Salvador Fundraising Dinner Committee