

# Community Engagement Guide



## KEY CEREMONY

A great way to close out the building portion of your trip and mark the beginning of the family's new future.



## ATTEND A SUNDAY SERVICE

Attending a church service with a local congregation is another way to connect to the community\*.

¡Hola!

## TRY SPANISH

Having a few words of Spanish to use is a great ice-breaker. You can also hire a translator to help bridge communication between you and the family.



## PASTOR VISIT

Pastors can join your group for dinner and then speak around the campfire\*\*. They usually talk for 20-30 minutes, sharing their testimony, and about their ministry. A translator can be hired, if needed.

## FAMILY MEAL

Sharing a meal together is a nearly universal way to bind and build relationships. Consider providing lunch for the family you are building for. Options available through La Cocina.



## NEIGHBORHOOD OUTREACH

This can be as simple as bringing crafts and games to interact with the kids who are at the worksite and in the surrounding community. Simple things like soccer balls, jump ropes, bubbles, and coloring books are always a big hit.



*\*Church visits must be planned in advance. Depending on the size of your group, we may ask to split you into two or more groups so as not to overwhelm the congregation.*

*\*\* There is a \$40 honorarium for the pastor visit. A translator can be arranged at the rate of \$40 per session.*