



Sister Church Mobilization & Multiplication Guide

Walking Together: From Shared Service to Independent Sending

Pastoral Vision: As an active SEPE International partner pastor, you know the quiet, faithful transformation that happens when your congregation serves alongside local churches in the field. The SEPE Juntos Strategy is about deepening kingdom partnerships—walking hand-in-hand with another congregation so that both of your churches can grow in gospel witness and humble service.

By inviting a Sister Church to serve alongside you this year, you offer them a simple, supportive way to step into global ministry. The goal is simple: encourage and walk with them so they build the confidence to lead and send their own team in the future—multiplying faithful gospel labor in our partner communities.

DECISION-MAKING EVOLUTION

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Level 1: Invite & Serve Side-by-Side

Low-Friction Partnership | Prerequisite: Year 1 Shared Ministry

- **Action:** Invite a local church plant, smaller congregation, or neighboring church in your community to bring 5–10 participants with your team.
- **Zero Administrative Burden:** Your church and SEPE care for ground arrangements, travel details, and work site preparation. The visiting pastor can focus entirely on pastoring their people and building relationships.
- **Faithful Stewardship:** Joining forces to bring 17 to 20+ total participants lowers individual overhead by \$300 to \$500+ per volunteer, bringing total per-person rates down to ~\$2,075 – \$2,263 (\$875 logistics + \$800 airfare est. + \$400–\$588 project fund share).
- **Pastoral Fellowship:** The visiting pastor serves alongside you in daily work, prayer, and devotions, learning the rhythm of field ministry in a natural, supportive environment.

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Level 2: Build Personal Relationships & Shared Commitment

Relational Roots | Prerequisite: Post-Trip Connection

- **Action:** On the field, your sister church forms direct, personal bonds with national pastors, local church leaders, and community families.
- **Relational Ownership:** Experiencing the work firsthand shifts their focus from "We helped on a trip" to "We are invested in these national brothers and sisters."
- **Debrief & Encouragement:** After returning home, sit down over coffee with the visiting pastor. Reflect on how God worked, celebrate what was accomplished, and explore whether their church is ready to send their own team next year.

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Level 3: Support Them as They Launch Independent Teams

Kingdom Multiplication | Prerequisite: Year 2 Autonomous Sending

- **Action:** In Year 2, the sister church steps into full leadership as a primary SEPE Partner Church, sending their own dedicated team to serve.
- **Brotherly Mentorship:** You step into a supportive role, offering wisdom, prayer, and practical encouragement as they prepare their leaders and congregation.
- **Kingdom Multiplication:** As an independent partner, their church now adopts the Juntos vision and invites another sister church from their network, continuing a cycle of collaborative ministry.

THE TWO-YEAR JOURNEY

MILESTONE	YEAR 1: SERVING TOGETHER	YEAR 2: SENDING THEIR OWN TEAM
Sister Church Focus	Bring 5–10 members alongside your group	Send an independent team of 17+ volunteers
Planning Effort	0% (Shadowing your church & SEPE)	Direct partnership with SEPE International
Shared Resources	Leverages your \$8k–\$10k shared project fund	Directs their own \$8k–\$10k project fund
Kingdom Reach	Strengthens inter-church unity & stewardship	Expands long-term ministry presence in the community

3 PRACTICAL STEPS TO START THE CONVERSATION

1. **Schedule a Vision Coffee:** Invite a local pastor to lunch or coffee and share how serving together allows both churches to steward resources wisely while focusing on gospel ministry.
2. **Share the Juntos Overview:** Hand them the \$2,075–\$2,263 cost breakdown to show how a joint team makes international mission trips manageable and financially accessible for their families.
3. **Connect on an Initial Planning Call:** Invite the pastor to join our upcoming SEPE project alignment call as trip dates approach so you can pray over and select your combined team's work projects together.