



Boracay

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BORACAY (Philippines) - THE NEED

Boracay - The Island

Boracay is an island of the Philippines located approximately 315 km (196 mi) south of Manila and 2 km off the northwest tip of Panay Island in the Western Visayas region of the Philippines.

Boracay was originally home to the Ati tribe. Boracay is part of Aklan Province, which became an independent province on April 25, 1956.

Boracay Island and its beaches have received awards numerous times. The island is known for its tourism on its beaches, but the majority of the people of Boracay live in poverty and are in desperate need of basic necessities such as food, education, and medical care. There is a huge disparity between the rich and the poor on the island.

32.9% of the population of the Philippines lives under the poverty line.

Area: 10.32 km² (3.985 sq mi)

Population: 12,003

Languages

The first settlers of Boracay, A Negrito people called Ati, spoke a Visayan language called Inati. Later settlers brought other languages to the island, including Aklanon (as Boracay is part of Aklan province) and other Visayan languages, Tagalog (and its variant, Filipino), and English.

I Will Be ...

Teaching

Teaching at the Agape Christian Academy.

Teaching a Bible class to high school students at Global Academy.

Teaching and serving at the Ati School for the tribal children.

Feeding Sites

Serving at the several feeding sites all over the island, providing nutritious meals, vitamins, basic medical care and sharing the Gospel with lots of love to the impoverished children on the island.

Construction

Helping with the construction process of the school as it builds to make room for more grades and an abundance of new students.

Ministering

Ministering to my students and the community.

Helping build and maintain the house-church bible studies that are growing in the community.

Working with the youth ministry of the local church.

Coaching

Using my physical education and coaching background to help keep students living a healthy and active lifestyle.

Helping students build positive relationships with others and build characteristics such as teamwork and leadership through sporting activities.



BORACAY (Philippines) - THE MISSION

First-Love International

First Love is an interdenominational mission agency founded for the purpose of bringing the life-giving message of salvation through Jesus Christ to un-reached people residing in impoverished regions of the world.

Our Method

Exhortation- calling believers back to their first love. (Rev. 2:1-5)

Evangelization- Introducing the lost to the One who loved them first. (1 John 4:19)

Education- Teaching them to obey all that Jesus has commanded us. (Matt. 28:19-20)

Core Values

Holy Spirit empowerment- We recognize that prayer for power and unction from the Holy Spirit is the foundation upon which all aspects of our ministry must be constructed. (Rom. 8:26)

Loving involvement- Faith expressing itself through love. (Gal. 5:6) Our desire is to activate our love through a ministry of evangelization coupled with hands-on compassion.

Remembering the words of our Lord Jesus: *Whenever you do it to the least of these, you did it for Me.* (Matt. 25:40)

Strategic instruction- We seek to preach and teach sound Bible-based doctrine in an enthusiastic and practical way that will both edify and move people to action. (Titus 2:1-8)

First Love currently has 164 missionaries serving in ten different countries worldwide, including 35 serving within the Philippines. First Love is an officially recognized NGO of the government of the Philippines.

How God is Moving on Boracay...

Agape Christian Academy

Agape Boracay Academy, Inc. in the village of Manok-Manok grew to 135 students and added grades 1, 2, and 3. Next school year the plan is to add grades 4, 5, and 6. Ten Muslim students are attending. Praise God all the children are learning and singing about Jesus, and taking what they learn home to their families.

New Feeding Sites

Two new feeding programs were added to reach out to the Ati Negrito children nearby on the island of Panay. These children so desperately need better nutrition and God has opened the door to help them.

School Expansion

God allowed us to purchase new land to build a school for the Ati children. We praise Him for those who helped to purchase this land. Construction has just started to begin.

Partners - Red Cross

The Philippine Red Cross is helping to teach health and safety to the students at Agape Boracay Academy. The Red Cross is also accompanying our staff to teach the children and parents at the feeding sites around the island.

Bible Studies

House Church-Bible studies in the community around the island at the feeding sites have continued and now new studies have been started with the parents of the school.



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Why Serve?

The Great Commission- *Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. - Matthew 28: 19-20*

I have the opportunity to not just teach, but to serve and minister to an entire community.

Why Boracay?

There are so many needs in Boracay that desperately need to be met.

There are endless opportunities for me to use my abilities to help the people of Boracay with teaching, ministering, and serving.

First Love has an amazing organization working at Boracay and things are being done the right way to serve God and the community.

Agape Christian Academy is providing quality education to the children who desperately need it to be able to have a chance at escaping the poverty that surrounds them.

Why Anderson Schmidt?

First Love International and Agape Christian Academy would love to have me come serve with them.

I am a well-rounded servant of God and have a variety of abilities to serve in ways that fit the mold of the missionary they are looking for.

God has prepared me throughout my life with the abilities, experiences, and passion needed to serve in Boracay.

Boracay Opportunities

Providing an English teacher to students who would otherwise not have a chance to learn English.

Providing a missionary to spread the message of Jesus Christ to an island of people in need.

Providing financial assistance to a Christian school helping provide affordable education to children who wouldn't be able to afford it otherwise.

Providing financial assistance to help feed the hungry people and children of the island.

Open opportunities for more missionaries within the church.

Open opportunities for short term mission trips for our church and our youth.

Provide a young man with the opportunity of a lifetime to go serve people and serve God in amazing ways.

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NEEDED SUPPORT

PRAYER

- *Please pray for the planning and the preparation for this mission trip.*

INITIAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT

- **\$1500 Initial Support**
(\$1250 roundtrip airfare, \$250 basic living supplies)

MONTHLY FINANCIAL SUPPORT - 2 year commitment

- **\$1700 monthly** *(\$100 visa, \$500 housing, \$300 food, \$200 insurance, \$120 transportation, basic needs, etc. plus taxes)*