



Internally displaced Colombian family

## The Colombian Encounter: A Global Mission Program by GEMN & COLFORPAZ

**Encounter** the lives and challenges of the Colombian people. **Learn and apply** short-term mission leadership skills.

Global Episcopal Mission Network and COLFORPAZ team up to provide this enriched global mission experience in Bogotá, Colombia.

This **intensive 7-day program** is your opportunity to learn about Colombian life, the work of the Diocese, and how you might engage with the people of Colombia in mission. We place special emphasis on global mission education, along with unique opportunities to “encounter” Colombia through presentations, personal contact, community visits and tours.

## About COLFORPAZ

COLFORPAZ, or Corporación Líderes Forjadores de Paz, is a partnership of two sister organizations affiliated with the Episcopal Church: COLFORPAZ of Colombia and COLFORPAZ USA. The two organizations have linked together with our Colombian brothers and sisters in support of their vision of peace and sustainability for Colombia.

## About the Global Episcopal Mission Network

Global Episcopal Mission Network wants to give you the tools you need for global mission. We are the largest independent mission network in the Episcopal Church. GEMN consists of dioceses, churches, organizations, and individuals passionate about global mission engagement and committed to connecting people through mission.

Join us today!

### Instructor:

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7 Day Encounter

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**Cost: \$975**

**Includes all meals, lodging, and local transportation (excluding airfare)**

**Mission Leadership Certification: \$250**

**Application and \$250 deposit due May 1**

**Balance due June 15, 2016**

**For more information, visit:  
gemn.org or colforpaz.org  
email: gmlp@gemn.org**

## Encounter Highlights

- **Learn from Colombian professionals and church leaders on topics such as:**
  - Displacement
  - Land Reform
  - Women's Rights
  - The Peace Talks and the Reconciliation Movement
- **Encounter Colombia first-hand:**
  - See where and how the displaced live
  - Visit a farm being transformed into a community project in support of the displaced
  - Meet Colombians working in peace and justice ministries
  - Shop in the city's renowned craft market
  - Visit the Monserrate Shrine
  - Tour the Museo de Oro
- **Overall Schedule:**
  - **Day 1:** Arrivals
  - **Days 2, 3, & 4:** Presentations & Discussions
  - **Day 5:** Site Visit and Presentation
  - **Day 6:** Visits/Touring
  - **Day 7:** Departures
- **Mission Leadership Certification:**

For an additional fee of **\$250**, and additional course work, GEMN Global Mission Leadership Certification is available to participants. Requirements include several additional meetings during the week, completion of specific readings and reflections, and development of a mission project.
- **Program Cost:**

Program cost is **\$975** (includes hotel, meals & local transportation; flights and airport transfers not included). Deposit of **\$250** due by **May 1, 2016**. Balance due **June 15, 2016**.



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## About Colombia

Colombia is a well-developed and thriving country, with cosmopolitan cities, popular vacation spots, and a vibrant economy. It is an attractive destination due to its relatively stable government, reliable infrastructure and its beautiful and diverse landscapes.

Colombia has, however, the **highest rate of income inequality** in Latin America, with 46% of the population living in poverty, and the **second highest rate of displacement in the world**, with 5.2 million people internally displaced from their land and homes by violence. The Episcopal Diocese of Colombia engages in outreach to the displaced and to refugees; addresses food insecurity; and actively supports and secures human rights, employment, health care, and reconciliation.

**Bishop Francisco Duque** leads the diverse and vibrant Episcopal Diocese of Colombia.

**The Rev. Canon Dr. Ted Gaiser** is Canon for Mission Development for the Diocese of Colombia. He is the instructor and trip leader for the Colombian Encounter and Global Mission Leadership Program.