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Andrew now serves as our missionary in Nicaragua. This position is critically important to both ILFE and our Synod. The volunteer missionary facilitates bilingual communications, coordinates logistics for our Synod's mission groups and constantly interprets our shared mission.

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## NATIONAL YOUTH RETREAT

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#### ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS AND WOMEN TRAINING SCHOOL

If new leadership for the church is to happen, basic formal education is also critically important. Elementary schools function with extremely limited resources. If families are to improve their livelihood, women must be trained with working skills.

Our commitment per year to each project is \$6,000.

The Companion Synods Committee recommend gifts to be earmarked Companion Synod - Nicaragua thus giving the Committee and ILFE the freedom to allocate funds where most needed at a given time. Gifts should be sent to our Synod Offices. Gifts large and small are always needed and welcome. For additional information contact Pastor Natanael Lizarazo at companion-synod@sdsynod.org or 605-261-7450. Access our last two Synod Assemblies Resolution related to Nicaragua at sdsynod.org/nicaragua.

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