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## Our Shared Priorities and Commitments To God's Ongoing Mission

### GREEN PROJECT OF CEDRO GALAN

This pioneer agricultural project has a national impact. Pastors and church leaders are trained in agricultural sustainable practices to be replicated in their own communities. Cedro Galan is also the housing and gathering place for local and national training events.

**Our commitment per year is \$28,000.**

### VOLUNTEER MISSIONARY

We continue to work with our ELCA Global Mission Unit to recruit and send our volunteer missionary to ILFE. The missionary facilitates bilingual communications, coordinates logistics for our Synod's mission groups and constantly interprets our shared mission.

**Our commitment per year is \$18,000.**

### 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](mailto:companion-synod@sdsynod.org) or 605-261-7450. Access our last two Synod Assemblies Resolution related to Nicaragua at [sdsynod.org/nicaragua](http://sdsynod.org/nicaragua).

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