

Where We Are

The island of Helene is one of the Bay Islands off the northern coast of Honduras in the Caribbean Sea. Groups arrive on Roatan, the largest of the Bay Islands, and reach the remote island of Helene by boat. Approximately 900 people inhabit this beautiful and lush 4-square-mile island. Families live in 7 communities and make their living from the sea. Islanders are friendly and enjoy meeting new friends.



Join Our Team!

We invite people new to missionary service and those experienced in local or foreign missions to share our vision and desire to live out the gospel wherever God calls them.

Maintenance - Individuals with mechanical experience, especially generators, engines, boats, electrical, battery systems and general construction.

Medical & Dental - Individuals with any level of medical or dental training are encouraged to inquire; however, advanced training is preferred.

General Staff - Individuals desiring to serve through discipleship and children's activities are needed in helping short-term teams, assisting in school or clinic operations, leading Bible studies, and participating in youth events.

Talk to us about Helene to see how your gifts and talents can impact nations, and pray if this opportunity could be right for you. Current team openings and more information are available on our website.



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- Encountering God
- Transforming Lives
- Impacting Nations

Our Vision is...

- For Christians to be challenged to mature and develop a passion for the gospel through service, mission opportunities and authentic worship
- For communities of worshippers who are transformed by Christ and motivated to live relationally-healthy and interdependent lives
- For the creation of cross-cultural disciples with a desire to meet the needs of others through cooperational teaming

Our Strategy is...

To partner with businesses, churches, families and individuals like YOU to direct donated resources for the greatest spiritual and physical impact.

"In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now," - Philippians 1:4-5 NIV

Short-Term Mission Trips

See God Work in Your Life

A Short-Term Mission (STM) trip with MEI is an amazing opportunity for your group to serve and grow in a cross-cultural environment. Partnering in the MEI mission helps STM participants encounter God, experience His transforming power, and become mission-minded in their lifestyle and worldview. You will partner with local leaders in community-driven projects including:

- Community Development
- Discipleship/Leadership
- Children/Youth Events
- Men's/Women's Ministries
- Home Visitations
- Medical/Dental Clinic
- Helene Christian English School



Customize Your STM Team Experience

An MEI administrator will partner with your coordinator for pre-trip planning and training to prepare your team. From the moment you arrive, our onsite staff will coordinate all transportation, meals and housing. If you are interested in a 1-2 week STM trip, visit us online or call 252-256-7104.



Discipleship Encounters

What is a Discipleship Encounter?

It is our 12-week program designed to create a rich environment that challenges you in your faith and trains you in cross-cultural discipleship as you grow in your relationship with Christ. You will have the opportunity to Encounter God, Transform Lives, and Impact Nations for Him as you work among the islanders on Helene.

Is the Discipleship Encounter for You?

If you are seeking to grow in missional living and crosscultural ministry, you will gain valuable insight and skills to disciple others. Whether new to missions work or with experience on the foreign field, a Discipleship Encounter will expose you to all areas of our ministry as you partner with us.

A Focus on Discipleship

Our ultimate goal at MEI is to disciple others by pursuing relationships to proclaim the gospel and demonstrate the kingdom of Jesus in all areas of life. We believe this is done through biblical instruction, mentorship, community development training, and simply living life together.

MEI Helene Ministries

Medical Clinic

Partnering with local and visiting professionals, the Helene Medical Clinic provides medical and dental services including preventative, routine and emergency care. We also coordinate with other facilities and provide transportation for emergency services to the hospital on Roatan.

Water Ministry

MEI provides the main source of clean drinking water on Helene. Each year, the reverse osmosis system supplies 20,000 gallons of safe drinking water to the Helene community. Through this ministry, illness and death from contaminated water have been greatly reduced.



Helene Christian English School

Originally established as a missionary-operated school, islanders hold all positions on the school board, school leadership, and the majority of teaching staff. Tuition is matched in a 60/40 partnership between parents and MEI. Facilities, curriculum, and supplies are provided by MEI through donations.