

#### **FELM VOLUNTEER POSITION**

### Title / Duration / Visa

#### **IELB Felm Volunteer 2021**

Support person for work with children in Centro Galilea of IELB

### 3 months

**FELM tutor**: Riikka Leskinen, Regional Manager for Church Cooperation

Partner tutor: pastor Luis Blanco, IELB

## **Partner / Location**

## Iglesia Evangélica Luterana Boliviana (IELB)

The Bolivian Evangelical Lutheran Church (Iglesia Evangélica Luterana Boliviana, IELB) is the second largest Lutheran church in Latin America. It is a church of indigenous peoples, mostly Aymaras and Quechuas, and has approximately 17.000 members.

Felm has been working with IELB since about 20 years, implementing both church and development projects. One of the church projects, *La Lumbrera*, has the objective to promote the rights of children and youth to primary, secondary and inclusive education. The volunteer work is located in Cobija (the Brazilian border) where the church runs a center, *Centro Galilea*, with special focus on inclusive education.

## **Objective and duties of Felm Volunteer**

The FELM Volunteers will support Centro Galilea's children and youth ministry in social and pedagogical activities.

## **Short description of the tasks**

- teaching life skills and facilitating after-school activities to children and young people, including children with learning difficulties.
- accompanying and supporting the leader of the Centro Galilea in pedagogical development, planning and monitoring of the activities of the center.



## **Competence / Qualifications / Language requirements:**

- meet the requirements of the Felm Volunteer program
- experience in children and youth work
- preferably studies in pedagogy or social work
- minimum language requirement: good knowledge of Spanish

#### **Benefits and commitments:**

#### **Felm South America and IELB**

- Providing the tasks, materials and instructions for the Volunteer before volunteer period
- Felm will cover in-country expenses related to the volunteer task, such as work-related travel, sim-card and computer if necessary at work, etc.
- Advising the applicant with visa-procedures and providing Volunteer with visa invitation letter, and cover the costs if Volunteer needs
  extension of visa
- Providing a personal tutor and a draft program for the Volunteer period (incl. tutor discussions, starters session, mid-term discussion and evaluation session)
- Accommodation (furnished apartment or bedroom with shared kitchen and toilet)
- Introducing the Volunteer to Felm's partners work in the project areas

## **Felm Helsinki office**

- Recruiting a suitable Felm Volunteer
- Providing the tasks, materials and instructions for the Volunteer
- Orientation session
- Feedback session

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- Travel insurance
- Criminal records extract for volunteering if tasks include working with children
- Small reimbursement of expenses

#### **Felm Volunteer**

- Following the FELM Volunteer agreement and its guidelines
- Following the Code of Conduct and Safety Instructions of LWF and tutor's instructions in destination
- Purchasing his/her own travel tickets from Finland to the country of placement and visa
- Obtaining a health certificate before departure
- Taking care of all personal expenses and arrangements other than mentioned above (Volunteers are responsible for their own international airfare, first visa, baggage insurance, not work related travel, food, laundry and other personal expenses)
- Commitment to provide feedback
- Commitment to take part in parish visits after returning to Finland (organizing by Felm)

Lähde liikkeelle or Min Mission –course is a prerequisite for applying to Felm Volunteer tasks. Full-time students attending the Felm Volunteer program are eligible for trainee status.