Team Name: Global Connections

Description: This committee brings WES in relationship with our Sister Community of El Rodeo, El Salvador. Goals include engaging WES teens and adults in cross-cultural delegations and social justice and advocacy work with the Salvadoran people. It employs a model of local empowerment and community capacity building as opposed to one of “charity.”

This team is important to WES because: It provides a means for WES teens to continue their religious education and coming of age development. It affords WES members an opportunity to participate in ethical agency and social justice work on a variety of levels.

Volunteer Title: Team member

General Responsibilities of Volunteer:

• Participate in meetings
• Organize delegations to El Salvador
• Create and participate in activities at WES to further the Sister-Community relationship

General Time Requirement

Monthly meetings of approx. two hours. Other occasional meetings, as required for specific tasks.

Knowledge, talents, or aptitudes helpful in this volunteer role:

• Spanish skills helpful but not required.
• Creative thinking and ability to work with others.
• Experience in traveling, living and working in countries that lack resources and modern amenities.
• A willingness to learn about Salvadoran history and culture.
• A commitment to suspend the impulse to be “the problem solver.”

Length of Commitment or Term: One year.

Benefits of serving in this volunteer role: Opportunity to participate in and shape a social justice program that uses Ethical Culture as its core principle and build relationships with team members and the people in El Rodeo.

How to join this team: Contact Peggy Goetz: peggykgoetz@gmail.com or Ross Wells: rosswells@starpower.net