

Educational Exploration Of Women's Livelihood Projects in The Philippines



There are 28 Unitarian Universalist congregations in the Philippines. Join us to visit a few of these congregations and the exciting women's livelihood projects on Luzon, the main island, and Negros Island, home of most of the UU congregations. At the end of our exploration we will have a day-long gathering in Dumaguete focusing on women's livelihood issues and women's empowerment in the Philippines. Our meeting is immediately prior to the ICUU biennial council meeting.

The Rev. Rebecca Quimada Sienes will be our local host and guide for the tour on Negros. February is an ideal time to visit the Philippines.



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



- Jan. 30-Feb 1 Manila and the UU Congregation in Bicutan and explore women's micro-credit projects.
- Feb 2. Fly to Dumaguete City on Negros Is. known as one of the most beautiful of Philippine cities, with a long boardwalk on the ocean. We will visit the BUILD UU Philippines project the mission of which is to create a stable financial future for the UU Church by constructing The Quimada Center, a two-story residence with capacity to house 180 young women students from the four nearby universities, including the classic ivy

league campus of Silliman University.

- Feb. 3 Travel south to Dauin, where we will visit an environmentally friendly bamboo factory. We will spend the night at the lovely seaside resort also a world-renowned diving location. Optional dive tours can be arranged for individually.
- For Feb 4, Bayawan City with a stop in Caican, a partner church, for an hour to see BINHI livelihood projects. Next visit Banaybanay and the newly organized community-based health program of Buhata Pinay.
- Feb. 5 Return to Dumaguete. Visit to UU Church of the Philippines headquarters. Overnight at Southsea Resort in Dumaguete. Dinner on the waterfront in Dumaguete.
- Feb. 6 ICUUW Conference "**Transforming Women's Lives through Livelihood Opportunities.**" Cost of one day conference included in package price.

Cost: US\$ 1,380 double occupancy plus registration fee. \$500 payment due October 20. Remainder due November 15.

Register at www.uupcc.org/travel Price includes all ground transportation, all meals, domestic round trip air Manila/Dumaguete. All hotels based on shared rooms. Single supplement \$300. Does not include airfare to/from US to Manila. Does not include alcoholic beverages, insurance, or personal expenses like laundry, email, telephone or room service.

