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Dear Colleagues:

Greetings from Guatemala!

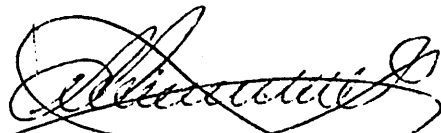
We are pleased to be sending you brochures and cover letters for our new "Space Between" program. We think you will agree it promises to be a most rewarding journey.

We would like to ask your help in recruiting participants. We can offer you \$50 per person you recruit. Although time is short, we are confident that with your help and your extended network of friends and colleagues, we will meet our goal of 10 - 20 participants. Retired persons, young people, students, professionals, couples, singles - all are welcome and will reap the benefits of the journey.

Reminder: we must receive one-half payment of \$700 by July 1 in order to allow us to plan appropriately.

Thank you so much for your support.

Best wishes to all.



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**MORE THAN JUST A TRIP  
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## A JOURNEY!

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HAVE YOU LONGED TO WALK THROUGH SACRED VALLEYS AND TEMPLES BUT FIND IT DIFFICULT TO RECONCILE THE CONTRAST WITH YOUR EVERYDAY WORLD?

HAVE YOU LONGED TO ENCOUNTER THE SIMPLICITY OF EXISTENCE IN A RURAL COMMUNITY, BUT FEAR TO FIND A CULTURAL GAP BETWEEN YOU AND THE VILLAGERS?

WHEN ONE ENCOUNTERS THE DISPARITIES BETWEEN NATIONS AND CULTURES THERE IS A SPACE BETWEEN "FIXING IT NOW" AND "NOT SEEING IT." WE KNOW THIS SPACE... WE LIVE IN IT!

## HOW WILL WE EXPLORE THIS SPACE?

WE WILL MAKE FRIENDS WITH VILLAGERS

WE WILL VISIT WITH PEOPLE WORKING IN SELF-SUFFICIENT PROJECTS

WE WILL EXPLORE THE RUINS OF THE ANCIENT MAYAN CIVILIZATION IN TIKAL AND THE CHAJOMAS SITE OF MIXCO VIEJO

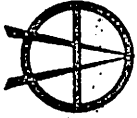
WE WILL VISIT WITH KEY PEOPLE IN THE BURGEONING BUSINESS COMMUNITY.

WE WILL EXPERIENCE THE CULTURAL DIVERSITY WITHIN GUATEMALAN SOCIETY AND EXAMINE ITS IMPLICATIONS

WE WILL FACE THE REALITIES, EXAMINE OUR FEELINGS-INTERPRET THEM AND FIND AN APROPRIATE RESPONSE

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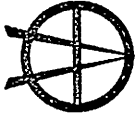
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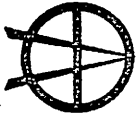
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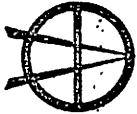
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