

THE *Prater* FAMILY

MISSIONARIES TO THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC



Dear Praying Friends and Faithful Supporters,

June - July 2022

“All that are with me salute thee. Greet them that love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen” (Titus 3:15). We have had a busy but blessed summer. I mentioned in our last prayer letter how that we were preparing to replace the roof of New Life Baptist Church. We completed that project with the help of the Lord in about a week. There was a group of men that came from the U.S. to help us replace the roof, paint the walls of our Christian school/Sunday school classrooms, install new cameras, and rewire our Church sound system amongst a few other projects. In the midst of an already busy week, we ended up having to work in rainy conditions as well as replace an unexpected water pipe leak in an apartment complex’s main pipeline. But at the end of the week, God got the victory and the glory, and He helped us to accomplish what we needed to get done! Our Pastor came in to visit us for a few days during the month of June. We had a really good time spending time with him and getting to show him some of the work that the Lord has allowed us to be involved in. While Pastor was here, we went to a park close by to go soul winning. Here in the city of Santo Domingo, it is very difficult to soul win from door to door. There aren’t very many houses left, and many that are, are being torn down to be replaced with apartment complexes. Most all of the apartment complexes are enclosed, and we are unable to enter without certain permissions. There are some who will congregate in the streets or in a small recreation area across the street from us. We have had success in soul winning in this area, but many times the city park is a better option.

So Pastor, my son Enoch, and I went out soul winning, and we came across a group of baseball pitchers who were taking a break from practice. I went up to their coach, talked with him, and asked him if we could take a few minutes to share the gospel with his team. He said that wouldn’t be a problem at all. So, he told his team that there were some preachers who wanted to talk with them and for them to go get seated together. The boys all got situated, and we took about 20 minutes giving out the gospel to them. It was an age group range somewhere between about 15-21 years old. They were all very respectful and attentive, but none of them received the gospel that day. But the story hasn’t ended yet. I took the contact information of the coach and invited them all to come out to Church with us the following Sunday. That Sunday, we had four of them come out to the Church service including the coach! From that time till now, three have been faithfully coming to our Church services whose English names are Simon, Luke, and Thomas. Two Sundays ago, Thomas got saved in Sunday school class! Praise the Lord! God is so good. Last Saturday, on a hospital ministry visit, another young mother who was caring for her sick child received Jesus as her Saviour. Praise the Lord! Thank you all for your prayers for our family. Everyone is doing well. Brittany is really excelling in her Spanish, and I appreciate all the hard work and sacrifices she makes as a missionary wife here in the Dominican. Our family is dependent on her for many things, and I want to give her honor for all that she does. “Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may have free course, and be glorified, even as it is with you:” (II Thess. 3:1). You are continually in our prayers. We love you and praise God for you all.

In Jesus’ Name,

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