

THE PAPE FAMILY SERVING IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC



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Greetings from the Dominican Republic! I hope this letter finds you all well and enjoying the blessings of Our Lord. We've had a great March, with much to report on. It was such a blessing to have the Wesson family in town for a couple of weeks. Our kids certainly loved having their friends here for a short time. They were able to be here for the 9th anniversary of Iglesia Bautista El Faro, which went very well. We had over 140 in attendance, many visitors and 6 decisions for Christ.

We recently had a young man named Felix move in two doors up from our church. I spoke with him just briefly one day as we were leaving. We caught his attention because he speaks English. Last week, I stopped by his house to invite him to Easter Sunday service. He invited me in, and I was

able to sit and take about 30 minutes explaining the plan of Salvation to him. He was completely open to the Lord, and at the end, prayed and trusted Jesus Christ as his Saviour! Felix came and joined us for services on Easter Sunday morning. **Please pray that he will continue to grow in his faith.**



We are excited about Jeffri & Pamela joining us to start this work !

- SCOUTING THE NORTH -

Two weeks ago, Jeffri Polanco came down and joined me for a two-day scouting trip to the North. We spent our time in two different towns- Cotui and Nagua. Cotui was one of the towns that Cynthia and I visited 5 years ago on our survey trip. Since then, I've wanted to go back and see it again to get a better idea of the needs. This town has about 80,000 people living in it. It is a middle-class town in a mountainous part of the DR with lots of new construction, a large university and a seemingly stable economy. Nagua is a coastal town in the Northeast, also with approx. 80,000 inhabitants. Because it is on the coast, Nagua sees its share of tourism. But the majority of the

tourism is Dominican, not foreign. Nagua has a mix of economic structures, from very poor to very rich. Neither of these two towns have even one Bible-believing church in them! But this is the case for many areas in the North. This trip was only the first of many. But **please continue to pray with us as we continue to scout and pray for where God would have us start our first church.**

Thank you all for your faithful and continual prayers and financial support. You will never know this side of heaven how much your investment impacts eternity!

God bless!

Chad & Cynthia Pape