

### IT HAS NOT BEEN IN VAIN

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“You know, brothers and sisters, that our visit to youd was not without results. We had previously suffered and been treated outrageously in Philippi, as you know, but with the help of our God we dared to tell you his gospel in the face of strong opposition”.

In these verses Paul presents us with some details about his work with the Thessalonian church. The apostle presents us with two extremes of his ministry, firstly, it is confirmed that his work among them had had results, that his work **had not been in vain**.

On the other hand, he also shows us that his work had many obstacles. He had suffered in Philippi, jail, torture and much opposition. Yet in the midst of all this, this missionary reports that the Gospel had been preached.

As I read this passage, I find so many similarities in our service to the Lord in the Dominican Republic. We arrived here practically without nothing, we face opposition from people who believed that we were making a mistake, we lost the support of some churches, we arrived with fears, where we will live?, what we will do? But today, by the good hand of God, we can affirm that despite everything, **IT HAS NOT BEEN IN VAIN**.

### CONFERENCE, HOSPITALITY, BIBLE INSTITUTE- JULY

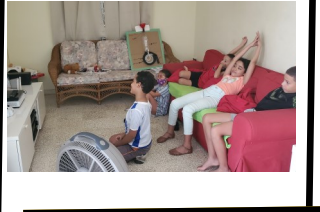
#### PSALM 119 BIBLE INSTITUTE—Barranquilla, Colombia.

After the conference for leaders and pastors in Santo Domingo, Providence Road Church invited me to be part of the team of teachers of a conference that took place in Barranquilla, Colombia at the Salmos 118 seminary. It was wonderful to participate alongside so many brothers who we love, admire and with whom we have established ministry relationships.

I was assigned to give the lectures: The Dilemmas of Forgiveness, The Importance of Church Discipline, and The Need for Healthy Leadership. It was a challenge, I must confess, because the seminary has very trained teachers, students who know the Scriptures, but thank God the week we were in that city was a blessing.



I travel with pastors Jose Avella and Jeseo Crowley. Our host pastor Juan Hernandez and his amazing family.



The seminar has more than 300 face-to-face students and more than 1500 online all over the world.

This is the second time that I have the privilege of teaching in this institute that is light for the nations.

They were 5 intensive days of conferences where the Word of the Lord was preached. I was also invited to preach on Sunday July 10 at the Lumina Church.

Pray for this ministry. They are currently working to move the institute to a larger place, since the one they currently have has become too small.

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## JULY—Hospitality

In our walk with the Haitian churches we work with, little by little we have been able to develop meaningful friendships. This month, we invited one of the pastors with his family to our home. It was a blessing to have them home for 5 days. My children had a good time with the 3 children of the brothers and my wife had a good time with the pastor's wife.

Although the word hospitality is something that sounds normal to us, it was a bit strange for the Haitian brothers. They continue to thank us after several months. For us it was a blessing.

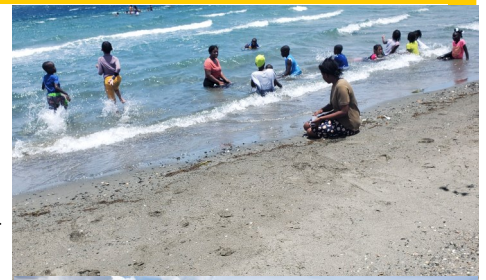
Taking advantage of the fact that we had this family that lives two hours from home, we organized and paid for a day at the beach with 6 families of Haitian pastors who live in the area. We played, we ate, we prayed, we talked, but most of all we enjoyed the reality that in the gospel there are no barriers between peoples.



Pastor Timothy and his wife having fun



My daughter Jaimeline watching tv with the pastor's daughters, outside on the porch the pastor's son with our son Jaime playing.



## July Bible Clubs

In July we ended the season of Bible clubs that we hold every Saturday in two Haitian churches with more than 60 children in each of them.

It was a special time working with the children of the Tumbaos and Sombrero. It has been wonderful to see how the children learn the Word of God, understanding the gospel, being encouraged to go to church. Also, it was good to see the growth of local church leaders.



James and Jaimeline the perfect assistant



Kids at craft time



Jacqueline in action, teaching the Gospel



Jaimeline helping some kids at craft time

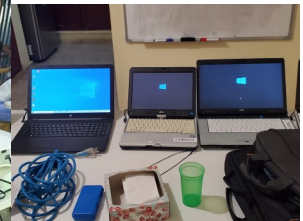
## July— Launch of Haitian Bible Institute

Our relationship with the Haitian churches has led us to participate more actively in the training of new leaders. So, we are helping in the teaching at the Haitian seminary. There are currently 42 students from 6 Haitian churches in the area.

I was invited to teach the first course of the year, the computer course. So for 2 months I had the privilege of teaching how to use technology in the kingdom of God. For the good provision of brothers that the Lord used, we managed to donate for the Bible institute 5 laptops, a video projector and a projector screen. We are still looking for 5 computers used for the institute.



**"With the institute we are training pastors in ministry and training future leaders and missionaries for the Haitian people. "**



## August - Mission Trip, VBS

For the month of August, apart from the service given in our local church (Jacqueline Kids, Jaime Preaching) we were also participating in the organization, logistical and financial support of the VBS 2021. The VBS took place from 24 to 27 August. However, on August 20, a missionary group arrived led by our brother and friend Dr Eric Stader from Wisconsin.

This missionary group arrived to paint the rooms where the VBS classes were going to be given, in addition Emily Stader was one of the teachers of the program. The VBS was a success even though we suffered with the electric service and lack of drinking water. We had 85 children and 40 servers in the program.

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Jacqueline with the team at home



Dr Stader and the team preparing the building for VBS. Now this building is use on Emily English classes



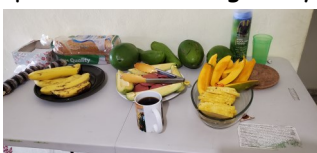
Kids program in El Tamarindo



Our pastor introducing Emily

We had to provide transportation for some children for BVS.

Tropical breakfast served



## ALSO IN AUGUST



Emily arrived with the missionary group to stay for a year to do ministry teaching the gospel through English classes.

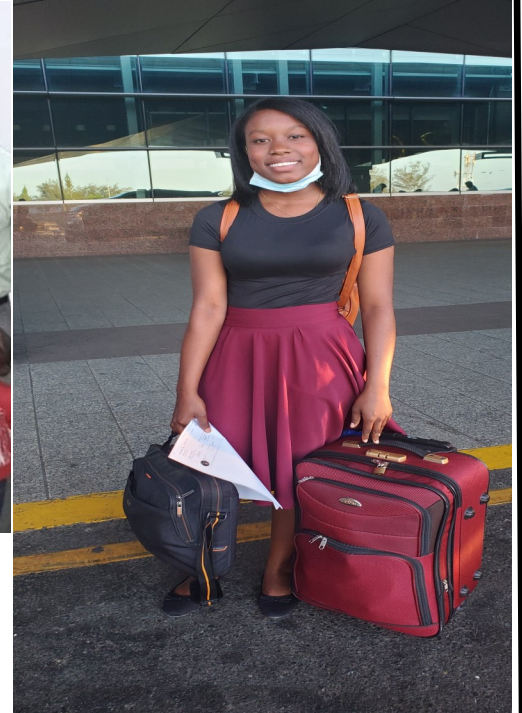


## August—Patricia Veloz to RGBI in Texas

Since our seminary days, we have asked God for the opportunity to send more young people to be trained to serve in His work. Thank God, we were once again able to be part of the sending of Patricia Veloz, daughter of one of the Haitian pastors we worked with. God supplied the economic resources again in a wonderful way, Patricia will be in Texas for 4 years working on her bachelor's degree in missions.



Patricia last day with his family, after Patricia in Santo Domingo Airport ready to travel to Mc Allen, Texas.



## September - Discipleship training and English classes.

In September, with Emily full-time, we started two English courses in two churches, one Haitian and one Dominican. We have more than 60 children between the two classes. Jacqueline helps Emily in this new ministry. Classes are Monday through Thursday from 4 to 6 pm.

Also this month, we began a partnership with a couple of American missionaries in order to train pastors, leaders, and churches to make disciples. We started with 42 pastors in a church in the capital and 48 in a church in Matanzas.

In our next report we will include photos and results we have seen from these ministries.

### Please Pray for

1. Legalization of 516 Now Inc, we are preparing all the necessary documentation to register and be a non-profit organization in DR. We still working on this
2. For the location of a good land where the church temple los Tumbaos will be built and where the biblical and missionary seminary will work. We have some options at this time.
3. Pray for Jacqueline health, we will give more details soon.
4. Pray for pastor David Cox from Tituville, him is coming to visit Us. The program has conferences for pastors, baptisms, celebration of the Lord's supper, preaching in various churches.
5. Pray for my visit to USA in November, I will be in sharing about our ministry in severals churches in Florida and Nebraska.
6. Pray for the micro loan Project we star in DR. In next report more details.

As always thank you very much for your prayers, financial support, love, understanding, words of encourage.

Together we carry the gospel to the last of the earth.

Your Family Blandon Guzman:

Jaime, Jacqueline, Jaimeline and James

