

Doug & Paula Hodges

Serving the Lord in the Dominican Republic

July - August 2023

Dear Supporters and Partners,

Greetings from the Hodges!!! Our transition back to the Dominican Republic has begun!!! Paula and I flew to the DR on June 6. I stayed for two weeks before returning to Alabama to prepare the ministry shipment of chairs for the churches, lawn equipment for the property, plus tons of equipment and supplies (see pictures) for all the ministries in the San Pedro. Paula remained in the Dominican to help with the “settling in” process which includes purchase of vehicles for ministry and personal use.

The shipment includes 40 pallets of ministry items for use in all the various ministries of the DR Vision. The pallets are ready, wrapped and ready for the truck. The paperwork is completed and now we wait for an inspection and hauling the shipment to the Air Force base for it's flight to the Dominican Republic. PRAY!!! PRAY!!! PRAY!! I'd rather be in the DR preparing the church plant, but this shipment will be a great help to advance the total ministry. My devotions today included a reading from I Chronicles 26:30, “In the service of the King...En el servicio del Rey (Spanish). Ministry, as you well know does not just include “preaching and teaching, etc”; but it includes everything, even the unseen and small task that advances the cause of the Gospel.

The final weekend of July I will be in the Missions Conference at Avon Park Correctional Institute in Florida. This has become a highlight of my ministry. These men have supported us financially. Last year, as I was leaving the conference, many tears were shed all around the group. These are genuine “brothers” in Christ. Pray for the conference and for the men as they continue to serve their Lord and Savior in difficult times in their lives.

My return to the DR will be in early August. Then, begins the new “chapel/church plant in San Pedro. We are not doing this alone. This is a ministry of the church in San Pedro with workers and resources being provided for this outreach. PRAY! PRAY! PRAY!!!

For His Glory!!

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