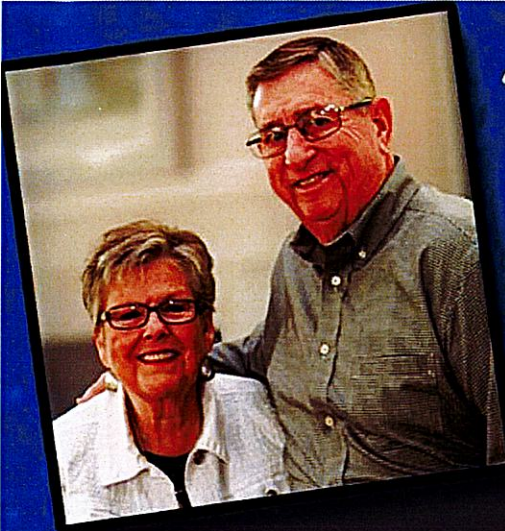


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Serving the Lord in the Dominican Republic

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*Hola! Saludos! Bendiciones! Que Dios les bendiga!
Como estas! Buenos Dias! Buenas Tardes! Buenos Noches!*

These are some the ways people greet one another in the Dominican Republic. Sometimes you may hear, "Hello!" but not often. But almost always is a greeting (one of the above) with a big smile.

The Chapel ministry is progressing wonderfully—all praise to the Lord! We are now in our sixth month of ministry for the chapel in Barrio INVI, near the sports complex en San Pedro de Macoris. The chapel was started with the first service on October 29, 2023 with a "big splash" service on Sunday afternoon in a tent in front of the church

Services are held regularly on Sunday evening and Thursday for Bible Study. On Wednesday we have been able to give a short message to a baseball developmental program in the sports complex nearby. Many of the players are attending the regular services at the chapel. For those who have shown real interest we have a Bible study for them at the church at 2:00 pm before their practice.

God has given us various opportunities for home Bible Study. One of these has 13 people in attendance on Saturday evening that includes grandparents, adult children and several grandchildren. This "Bible Study" was initiated as a discipleship time for a young father who rededicated his life to the Lord. The discipleship time was scheduled at his home. When I go there the living and dining room was filled with the entire extended family present.

This week we are started a couple small group Bible study to be held at the church. Two unsaved couples came along with other couples from the chapel and the "mother church". One of these couples are parents of one of the baseball players who has been coming.

Please pray for the advancement of the chapel ministry. We continue to be amazed at the "ready harvest" that is before us. Pray for children's and youth workers to be able to teach these young people. We see, not only an opportunity to reach them for Christ, but as a way into the homes of the families.

- * Funds to enclose the car port being used for the church services.
- * Tables, chairs, and equipment needed for the children's ministry.
- * Refrigerator, stove, coffee maker, etc
- * Shipment of ministry equipment that is waiting for diplomatic approval.
- * Additional monthly support.

Paula and I are grateful for this incredible opportunity to serve our Lord and Savior, as well as, serve these special peoples!!

Discipling the Nations,

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