



The Bells

Team Church Planting in the Dominican Republic



February 2019

Travels

We were thankful for the opportunity to travel to seven churches in January and February including two of our supporting churches. We covered some serious miles these two months as our travels took us to Virginia, Tennessee, Maryland, Pennsylvania and Georgia. We also enjoyed the opportunity to visit Baptist World Mission's home office in Decatur, AL in late January. **We praise the Lord for safety in travel and ask for your prayers for continued safety as we have a full travel schedule during the coming months.**

On the field in Puerto Plata

On the field, our team has been interested in revamping our Saturday children's Bible class. Several years ago, Regina's Mom (Kim Yoder) and Grandmother (Ruth Scheltema), who were both missionaries in the Amazon jungle in Brazil, developed a Bible club for the ministry there. The club was specifically designed for use in a third world culture and to be easily self-sustained by national believers. Our team looked at this curriculum and decided that it would work well for the ministry in the Dominican Republic. The team invited Regina's grandmother to come and help train both our missionaries as well as those in the church on how to teach the curriculum. Regina was able to accompany her grandmother on this trip and spent a week in Puerto Plata at the beginning of February. Regina enjoyed the time she was able to spend with her grandmother, the church in Puerto Plata, and our teammates. **Please pray for this new Bible Club which our team will be kicking off at the beginning of March: that our team would continue to reach more children with the gospel and that those children who have already made professions of faith would continue to grow in their walks with the Lord. We also ask for your prayers for a larger, more permanent location for Oceanview Baptist Church as they are quickly outgrowing their current meeting place.**

Family News

Earlier this month, my (Brandon's) grandmother passed away after suffering several years in the advanced stages of dementia. I am thankful that she was a believer and is now with the Lord. I had the opportunity to speak at her funeral and give a gospel presentation. Two days after the funeral, our 5 year old son Patrick began asking me questions about salvation. After talking at length, Patrick made the decision to accept Jesus as his Lord and Savior! **We are very thankful for this profession of faith that Patrick has made and would ask you to pray for him as he begins to grow in his walk with the Lord.**

Support

With another church recently voting to take us on for support, we are currently at **65% of our needed support.** This reflects an increase from our last letter in December. We have also received several gifts towards our outfit and passage which will include the purchase of plane tickets as well as a more reliable vehicle upon our return to the field. **We appreciate your continued prayers for additional monthly support and for our outfit and passage needs.**

Looking to Him,
Brandon and Regina Bell
Heb. 12:1-3
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Our teammates Darrell Peavy (Center) and Cleverson Faria (Right) with some of the faithful youth from the church



Regina's grandma Ruth Scheltema training those who will be helping with our new children's program that she and Regina's Mom developed in the Amazon



Zoe making friends during a recent trip to one of our supporting churches; Life Gate Baptist Church in Hixson, TN.

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