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Dominican Republic

Trip News

D. R. Trip

We took a team from Florida to Boca de Nigua, Dominican Republic for a short-term mission trip from June 21-28, 2008.

I (Kim) stayed a few days longer to visit friends in Puerto Plata, located on the other side of the island and where I taught English.

PHOTO OF THE TEAM: (LEFT TO RIGHT) Deric, Fefo, Raquel, Bernie, Jean, Phil, and Kim, inside the church

The ministry of the church was turned over to Pastor Leonel Sierra many years ago.



Centro Cristiano Misionero of Boca de Nigua, D.R.

In 1997 a hurricane came through Boca de Nigua and many people ran into the church for safety. The wooden building could not withstand the force of the hurricane and collapsed on the people.

For the past 5 years, Y.E.S. has organized trips to work on the construction of a new, structurally-sound church building.

Purpose of the Trip

Our trip had three main purposes: construction projects at the church, Vacation Bible School, and evangelism with movies and gospel tracts.



Our Trip

Our Team

God brought together a team perfect for this trip. We had a smaller group than usual, but were blessed to have Fefo and Raquel join us for the week. After retrieving each one of our bags (answered prayer!), we met up with Fefo and Raquel at the airport in Santo Domingo, where they had been patiently awaiting our arrival.

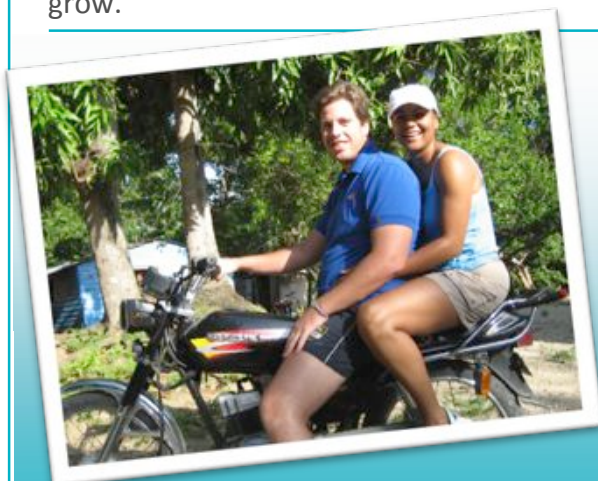
Construction Projects

We were involved in inserting a beam to reinforce the ceiling where caving had begun, the beginning of a septic system for indoor bathrooms, and making the latrine more comfortable for the elderly. The men worked hard and the Lord used them to accomplish a lot.

Vacation Bible School

We had around 80 students that attended plus we left materials for a second VBS to occur in a different part of town. This year's theme is the Armor of God. The children memorized Bible verses, completed lessons, sang songs, played games, and learned more about God.

It was encouraging to see young hearts sensitive to things of God and we pray that the seeds sown this week will grow.



Fefo and Raquel Ferrero

Independent missionaries serving in the Dominican Republic

Raquel served as a missionary with Word of Life in Argentina where she met and recently married Fefo.

When a position with a ministry in Santo Domingo fell through, the newlyweds

stepped out in faith, leaving Argentina and arriving in the D.R. with very little.

They rely on God to develop their ministry and to provide for their needs and financial support.