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Dear friends,

Once again, we would like to announce that our prayer letter is now available in Spanish by E-mail. Currently, we are sending out 10 copies, but we know there are more churches who have Spanish ministries and persons who speak Spanish as a first language who would appreciate receiving our prayer letter in this form. We would appreciate your help in getting out the word about this.

Hannah and I are excitedly anticipating starting a church here in Santo Domingo this coming spring or early summer. We would appreciate your prayers with us concerning the Lord's leading and direction in exactly where and how this church will be started. We have found a large developing residential area that we feel would be a tremendous opportunity for planting a church. As we were driving through it, it seemed there was no end to the houses going up with young families moving in. So far, we have found no church of any kind within this development except for a Catholic monastery. Please pray with us as we seek the Lord's leading regarding the exact area as well as the location for the church that He would have whether it be this area or another.

We would also covet your prayers regarding beginning a printing ministry here. Recently, we have begun to see the great need of beginning this type of ministry here in the Dominican Republic. There are several reasons for this including the high cost of shipping materials from the States(usually \$1.00 and up per pound for mail). Another important factor is that many of the materials available in Spanish are not really well printed or composed. Also, there is the very major issue of convenience and availability. By way of comparison, how many of you in the States would want to order tracts from Australia or South Africa? Although we may not mention this need again for some time, we are praying that the Lord will provide a member or someone through the church we start to begin this ministry. It would be tremendous if a printing ministry to help serve the needs of the other churches in the country could be one of the first missions projects of our new church as we seek to reach our "Judea."

Lastly, we would appreciate your continued prayer that our household shipment would arrive soon(it is scheduled to arrive in port on Sept. 10) and that it would go through customs without any problem. Usually the process takes 10-14 days.

There is much more that could be shared about what God has been doing and is doing and we praise Him and give Him the glory for all that He has done in our lives. Truly, there is no greater life to live than that of serving the Lord!

In His Service,
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