

Greetings from Fort Knox, Kentucky!

Robin and I are here to spend time with Brandon and his family and celebrate Thanksgiving this week. We had the awesome opportunity to watch two of our grandkids get baptized yesterday! It's been fun to watch their family develop spiritually over the last couple of years. I'm headed to the DR in a few days for a week and a half of meetings and planning for the upcoming year.

Robin and I officially completed our transition from Georgia to Texas this summer. We're going to follow a somewhat unusual schedule for the foreseeable future. The expectation is that I'll spend about three months a year in Colorado (when the weather permits), three months in Fort Worth, and about six months traveling around the country and working in the Dominican Republic. We're expecting Robin to spend closer to six months a year in Texas. It's been good to have the opportunity to spend time with our kids and grandkids.

As some of you have probably noticed on Facebook, our separation from Pastor Eddyson, his assistant pastor Beldor, and their ministries has been, at times, turbulent. We continue to seek the most Christlike way to end our support and untangle our many other efforts in the country from his ministries. Please pray that the Holy Spirit will guide both of us through this transition. I'll put out a more detailed explanation of the separation when I feel it's appropriate.

Pastor Victorine has had a fruitful season of ministry over the last few months. He sent a report recently describing his month-long program to involve his entire church in a Gospel-sharing blitz throughout their community during the month of October. God blessed their efforts, and 24 new visitors attended their church services and activities, 22 people made decisions to accept Christ, and three people were baptized. He wisely stated that these are not just numbers. These are souls and lives touched by the Word of God, bringing people closer to Jesus Christ. Victorine and his wife, Joann, are praying about scheduling, travel, and funding for his reconstructive surgery in the coming months.

Much of **Pastor Mathieu**'s efforts in recent months have gone toward establishing a preschool on the back property at Temple Baptist Church Guerra. He started the year with about 40 kids and has been growing ever since. The goal is to add one grade each year and eventually develop a complete school. He's been working with multiple other ministries and individuals to provide an effective, healthy, Christ-centered education for these children. Just last week, he sent me a report that he had led two of the








mothers to Christ that day! It will be exciting to see how God develops this ministry and several others that he envisions for the future. Mathieu's wife, Wesline, is in need of surgery, and we are praying for funding, safety, and wisdom for the doctors in this situation.

Pastor Guitho has continued his work in the church in Santo Domingo Estes. He recently posted photos of a couple of new converts being baptized after accepting Christ. The ESL, music, and sewing schools continue to make an impact in the community and draw people toward the church and a new life in Christ. These schools are the main avenue of outreach for the church, and Guitho is requesting a small amount of monthly funding to develop these ministries into more effective tools for sharing the Gospel with his community.

In closing, I want to share some details regarding the development and expansion of the ministries in the DR. RMI has intentionally invested hundreds of thousands of your support dollars in property and buildings over the last three years to house the churches and ministries of the men we've discussed. We are still paying for two of the pieces of property (I'll be calling most of you in the next week!). The long-term vision is for these strategically placed ministries to serve as "mother churches," or sending churches, into the communities around them. Our pastors have been training men to take on leadership positions in their ministries, with the hope that God will eventually call them to pastor ministries of their own. I'll be sharing more about that in future letters, but already there are three men and their families who are heading out to plant churches.

We will not be buying or building large meeting places. Rather, we'd like to support these church plants by renting homes with indoor or outdoor meeting spaces where pastors can live with their families and their churches can meet. When a ministry outgrows these facilities, the vision is for that church to plant a new ministry, and the cycle will continue. If you're interested in supporting one of these church plants with a small monthly commitment, please contact us.

I've run out of space, but I didn't want to sign off without saying thank you. Your financial support, encouraging words, and prayers mean more than you know. We appreciate each of you and just want to say thank you so much.

I'll talk to you soon.

Greg & Robin Rife

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