

# DECLARING the GOSPEL



## to the **Dominicans!**

"Hear the  
Word of the Lord, O ye  
nations, and declare it in the  
isles afar off" Jer. 31:10a

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Dear Pastor and Prayer Partners,

### **Amazing but not Surprising!**

"I stand amazed at the presence of Jesus the Nazarene. . ." While we stand amazed at what God does for us, we are not taken by surprise! "What He has done for others, He can do for you! Amen!

### **We Stand Amazed at God's Provision**

Surely, the Lord is good to us, much more than we could ever deserve! We stand amazed that the Lord is providing all the necessary items to serve Him here in the Dominican Republic. I arrived in April with two suitcases and a laptop computer. The first need He provided was a rugged vehicle that can stand potholes and washed out roads and 18" of water in the streets. I was at a used car lot one day and a man approached me and said, "Hi, my name is Corpus. I want to tell you something." He said, "Be careful, this business is crooked." They will follow you to the bank and take your cash and you get no vehicle. Corpus and I immediately became friends! Corpus, who is an auto mechanic, took me to several car lots, and that same day the Lord provided a great vehicle. However, this was not just an opportunity to get a vehicle. There was a much higher purpose. It was an opportunity to present the Gospel to a lost Dominican soul. Pray for Corpus's salvation. We still stay in contact. We will stand amazed in the presence of Christ to see who came to know Him through our testimony.

O.K., two suitcases, a laptop, a dependable vehicle, and what next? I stand amazed that the first rental house I saw advertized became ours in the matter of one week! It is not surprising but is sure is amazing. The power outages in the Dominican Republic are now 16 hours per day in most areas. Once moved into the house the power was off more than it was on! Then, one day I stood amazed! The government posted a sign down the street that said, "Electric 24/7." The area we live in is near the building sight of the new American Embassy, so there is electric here when the rest of the country is dark! Isn't that amazing?

Our landlord, Alex, and I immediately became friends. Pray for Alex that he would receive Christ as Lord and Saviour. Alex is trusting in his good works for salvation. Pray that he will trust in the finished work on the cross of Calvary for his redemption.

Two suitcases, laptop, vehicle, and a house . . . and . . . now the Lord is providing necessary items such as appliances furniture, etc. It sure is amazing, but not surprising what the Lord can do through his people.

**Thank you for your prayers!**

### **We Stand Amazed at a New Open Door**

We stand amazed how open the door is to preach the Gospel. There are so many opportunities! The Dominicans are very resilient people and work hard to put food on the table. Many, however, are discouraged and even despondent in these difficult economic times. Suicides are a daily occurrence these days. The people are at their wits end. We know that the only hope for the people is a personal relationship with the best friend anyone could have, the Lord Jesus Christ. We stand amazed that the Lord has now opened a door for us to hold Bible studies in a Dominican home.

**Thank you for your prayers!**

### **We Stand Amazed that God Would Use Us!**

We are at the very most, undeserving human instruments. Nevertheless, as we submit to his perfect will, He uses us in His vineyard to carry out the most important task on the face of the earth, the Great Commission. We are amazed how the Lord is leading many of our prayer partners to provide needed items. I trust the Lord is as amazing to you as He is to us. Thank you for your faithful support.

**Thank you for your prayers!**

Standing Amazed,

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