

The Lerisse Family Haitians For His Kingdom On the Island of Hispaniola

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In our country of service and in our community, immigration has been extremely aggressive. With the collapse of the Haitian government and the closing of the Haitian consulate in the DR, our people have no where to go to get basic documents like birth certificates and passports. Additionally because of the Dominican Republic exercising their autonomous prerogative to implement immigration laws that benefit its citizens, our people are truly stuck between a rock and a hard place. But while stuck in that dark and stressful place we have been praying, praising, and spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Pastor Fredo, a full time soul winner and church planter, has been used of the Lord to preach the gospel to scores and scores of Dominicans and Haitians alike in July and August with 91 people calling on the Lord for salvation; all while evading immigration, having to cancel services, and resorting to taking to the street under cover of night so that the gospel can be preached.



Pastor Ranel, another church planter out of the central church has been chased by immigration, arrested by immigration and many of his people, while on the way to church services, have had to hide in the woods and bushes. And yet, pastor Ranel preaches the gospel as a way of life and not as a scheduled event!



In the Central church in the DR, assistant Pastor Yimi leads the soul winning ministries of the church. Going out in the evenings to avoid immigration, being wise during the soul winning times to protect the people, he has lead the central church in being faithful to our duty to preach the gospel and 113 souls called on Christ for salvation in July and August.



In Saint Mark, Haiti Pastor Julio has been faithful in the midst of horrific stress of a collapsed government and lawlessness. Still, they are a soul winning people and the Lord has been gracious to them.

Finally, in August our own two teens, Jacqueline and Steven, had the opportunity to visit Europe for two weeks of Tract distribution. They learned so much and came back changed. They passed out over 70,000 tracts and walked over 100 miles in the process!



And while God's people are constantly being taken out of their homes or hiding in the woods, or having to dodge immigration to come to church or go to work, We are thankful to the Lord to be a part of a family of believers who love the Lord and whose devotion to Him keeps them faithful to Him during these trying times and who obey His great commission. Please pray specifically that the Lord would have mercy on the poor strangers living in the DR, especially upon them who name the name of Christ. Please pray for a solution that enables God's people who are strangers in this land to live freely as contributors, lights and salt.

All For His Glory,
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