

May 2010 Newsletter

What makes a Missionary?

When called by GOD to be missionaries in the Dominican Republic, we found there were many **man made standards and challenges**. **Man's rules** say a person wanting to be a missionary should have a certain level of education. college degree. This is only part of that formula. **Man's rules** say a person wanting to be a missionary should be within a certain range of health. **Man's rules** say a person to be hired as a missionary should be within a certain age range. **Man's rules** say a person going to be a missionary should know the language of the country they are going to to work **All of these are admirable qualities** and certainly increase the possibility of success in **man's eyes**.

On the other hand, we know that GOD calls who He wants and then equips them. It is with just that certainty that GMD Global Ministries, Inc., experienced GODs call to work. We have some college education and some Bible knowledge, but GOD gave us our testimony and our love of His children, both young and old. GOD uses us to reach the lost. We did not know the language, So GOD sent us bilingual Bibles and also translators to communicate to the lost with His Fiesta in February 2008. Our personal financial wealth is lacking, so we relate well to those seeking financial help. We have health issues, so GOD has given us empathy to minister to the hurting.

With a career in law enforcement, David always told children to “Just Say No to Drugs” but say 'Yes to Jesus'. If you will do that one thing, you too can be a missionary, maybe over seas or maybe right where you are in your school, your church, your work and your neighborhood. . In fact, if you have accepted Jesus Christ as your Personal Lord and Savior, you already have a ministry He chosen especially for you. You chose to say 'yes' or 'no'. If you say yes He will equip you too.

Don't panic if you feel you are not qualified, you are in good company. Joshua took the city surrounded by a wall and not one sword, spear or arrow did he use. All Joshua needed to do was what the Lord GOD said. March around the outside of that city's wall and blow on a horn? Yes, Joshua said Yes to the Lord and you can too.

Do you feel weak in body, not a problem for GOD. That is just fine, all the better to show just how great GOD truly is. The Disciples themselves fell asleep while they were suppose to be keeping watch and praying, just check out Matthew 26:40. How about David he had an affair and murdered Bathsheba's husband, David's own best trusted soldier, and he was the King GOD picked for that land. This is found in GODs Holy Bible, in the book of 2 Samuel, chapter 11, verses :4 and 15. There is more to that story if you would like to read up on it. Did you know Elijah was suicidal ?

So it is also said of our own United States of America President, Abraham Lincoln. He was said to be found praying in the White House standing at attention before GOD. Realize that Moses had a stuttering problem and feared to speak in public. Find this in Exodus 4:10. Then near and dear to my heart you will find in John 11:12, When Jesus called on Lazarus. Lazarus had already been dead three days.

Fiesta con Jesus

Wow, it has been just over a year since our last Fiesta with Jesus. The Mission has expanded from one community to three communities and so many children were reached for the Lord

Events were held in Santo Domingo, the Capital of the Dominican Republic. In the barrio called San Miguel Also events were held in Haina and Izabelita, two cities west of of Santo Domingo.

This year Deline Desarmes, Carlande Desarme, and John Suprien, were a wonderful addition to the planning and preparations for this year. It is their hard work and faithfulness to the Lord that keeps the mission efforts going while David and Ruth are in the United Sates. It is their initiative that lead to the expansion into Isabelita and connecting us with Pastor Alexandre and his congregations.

It was our friend and landlady, Margarita Reynoso, that helped us reconnect with the children and their parents in Haina to worship Jesus. It was good to revisit Haina and share with our friends..

Returning with David from America were Mariolin Nogueira, Elias "Lee" Garcia, and Eliseo Garica. Newcomer Ray Garner joined the team this year.

Technical difficulties prevent us from showing pictures of these wonderful events, but we look forward to overcoming these difficulties so we can share the pictures.

Mariolin was in fine form as he brought out the puppets and his magical white board with his hidden friend and shared the message of Jesus.

Many thanks go out to all those that worked behind the scenes of the March 2010 Fiesta. The missionaries stayed with Margarita and Roberto Reynoso again.



Here the team takes time for pictures with Margarita over snacks. Roberto took the picture.

Margarita traded places with Roberto and took group picture.



From America we have Sr. Missionary David Damewood, Mariolin Nogueira, Eliseo Garcia, and newcomer Ray Garner. Picture taken by Lee Garcia.

Ray Garner, Lee Garcia, Mariolin Nogueira and Eliseo Garcia, checking on luggage at airport. Picture taken by David Damewood.



It is fun to attend the Fiestas, but they take a lot of behinds the scene. Here David carries supplies to one of the events.

Mariolin hauling more supplies for the events. No David did not hand it off to Mariolin to carry look way in the back by the truck, yes David is still carrying his share of the responsibilities.



Ray Garner and David are checking supplies as they prepare for the next event. Off to the left is the church group they will be sharing with.

Imagine - the head of each of five different ministries, their luggage and, oh yes, one driver sent from GOD, in one vehicle. What men will not do to serve their Lord.

Road trips included Haina, almost an hour away, and Isabelita another thirty minutes past that.

Estimates range from 1,200 to 1,500 heard the message during this short term mission trip. Adults and children heard in their hearts. More than 300 decisions were made during alter call of the events. Experience has taught us that decisions will continue to be made in the weeks and months to come. For the missionaries remaining in the Dominican Republic, it is a season of harvesting.



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