



The Cunninghams Serving In The Dominican Republic



Dear Friends and Family

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We never envisioned ourselves leaving the Dominican Republic. We have always viewed ministry this way: we are planted where God places us until He clearly moves us. Yet, just as He called us here fourteen years ago, He is now leading us in a new direction. Ironically, at a time when many people are thinking about retirement, we find ourselves essentially starting over! We laugh about that often. But we are reminded that God's plans rarely follow our expectations, and we are grateful that He continues to allow us opportunities to serve.

If you did not receive our previous prayer letter that was distributed by Mission Committee Chairman Kenric Barnett, we want to share that we have accepted the position of Mission Director and Office Administrator for the World Baptist Fellowship. This new role will allow us to continue investing in worldwide missions and encouraging others to answer God's call to serve.

As we prepare for this transition, we are especially thankful for those who are patiently helping us during these months before we officially begin our new responsibilities at the end of August. John Horton is faithfully serving as Interim Mission Director, Susan Echols has graciously stepped in to help throughout the summer, and Betty Schembra and Sherry Glaze continue faithfully in the day-to-day operations of the office. Their willingness to serve has been a tremendous blessing.

The truth is, we do not feel that we possess all of the skills necessary for this new position. But we do know this: we are willing to be used by God. We arrived in the Dominican Republic feeling unequipped, and fourteen years later we still recognize how much we have to learn. Yet God has blessed in ways we could never have imagined. We have watched Him work through the ministries in San Pedro and the church plant in Ramón Santana. It has been one of the greatest joys of our lives to serve alongside the DR Vision team and so many humble servants with willing hearts. As we look toward the days ahead, we would be grateful if you would pray specifically for the following:

- Continued peace as we navigate the many details of this transition.
- The sale of our house here in the Dominican Republic.
- Continued financial support, as this new position remains a missionary-supported ministry.
- God's wisdom, strength, and ability to help us make a difference in worldwide missions through the World Baptist Fellowship.

One burden that has grown in our hearts during our years on the mission field is the tremendous need for laborers. We have seen firsthand communities waiting to hear the Gospel, ministries needing workers, and opportunities that far exceed the available labor force. Because of this, we are already planning trips to churches across the United States to share the vision of missions and challenge believers to consider full-time ministry on the foreign field.

If your church would be interested in having us come and share what God has done in the Dominican Republic, as well as the ongoing need for missionaries around the world, we would be honored to visit. Please feel free to contact us at: jclcservingndr@gmail.com or john.cunningham@wbfma.net

Thank you for your faithful prayers, encouragement, and support throughout these fourteen years. We know that every life touched, every ministry advanced, and every opportunity we have had to serve has been possible because God used faithful partners like you.

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