

The Cunninghams Serving In The Dominican Republic



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Dear Friends and Family

We have mentioned in the past how we enjoy having groups visit us here in the DR. Well, since January, the DR Vision has already had 8 different mission teams visit, and we are expecting 4 more before the end of the month! The DR Vision Team works together to make sure that visiting teams are able to experience all of the moving parts of the ministries here.

Many teams will visit Las Palmas Christian School and teach lessons, read books, play at recess and give our students sports clinics. Mercy Workshop enjoys sharing the ministry that rescues women at risk. These women share their skills in jewelry making with teams and even let the team members make a piece of jewelry to take with them. Teams will visit LifeHouse Girls' Home, Visionland, sports ministries, and Bible clubs in local neighborhoods and sugarcane villages. We enjoy sharing our Sunday morning worship time with groups at our church in Ramon Santana. Pastor Felix and the church love having guests and will invite teams to share special music as well as preach for the service.

One of the favorite parts of the trip is what is called "Cultural Immersion." Diomaris leads this activity and shares with groups all about "her" country – traditions, foods, and her own testimony. After the presentation, the groups are divided into teams and then they go out and experience public transportation, buying form a local colmado, having someone go to a salon for a quick hair "up-do," and then into houses to find things "all" Dominicans have in their homes. Oh the pictures and the laughs that are shared!

All of the DR Vision team members invite their supporting churches, families, and friends to come and visit. Once a team lands – we all do our part to show them where we serve and share the needs of the differing ministries. It gives teams a real opportunity to see missions up close and personal. While the church is key in all of the ministries – there is so much more happening throughout the week within the city that emphasize how missions is all about PEOPLE! Sure, some may come to build a wall or paint a classroom – but, we make sure that teams are connected with the people. After all, in Heaven – people will be all that matter!

If you are interested in coming to see us and the many ministries of the DR Vision, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Because He Came, We Must GO

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