



Greetings from Middle Georgia!

As we come to the end of another school year, I wanted to let you know of a few of the ways God has been moving in the ministries of the **5 missionary pastors that RMI supports in the Dominican Republic**. The last several months have been very difficult ones for many of these ministries, but God has continued to work even in the hard times.

There are many updates regarding Pastor Eddyson's ministries and plans. The long awaited Japanese funded school building project has begun and is advancing quickly. The first floor of this 9-classroom elementary school building is nearly complete, and we are expecting the remainder to be completed this fall. While grossly under-funded, the school has continued its work with nearly 150 children this school year and a new high-quality administrator. Each area of the school has continued to develop, and we are proud of what the Lord has done in this ministry.

**Pastor Eddyson**, like several of the other pastors, has been going through a very difficult period. Overseeing a school, Spanish speaking church, Creole speaking church, a major construction project, a medical ministry, a Dominican Foundation, all while being a father and husband, has driven him to a place of exhaustion. Thankfully, however, God has provided men to oversee several of these ministries in the last few months. Eddyson has turned over the Spanish speaking church to a Dominican pastor, the school is now owned and operated by the Dominican Foundation that we have created together for this purpose, and the Foundation will also have oversight of the Japanese project as well. This has created an opportunity for Eddyson to get some much-needed rest, training, and to develop a new immigration strategy. He and his family have already made plans to go to Mexico for a few months to complete those goals.



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PASTOR **EDDYSON**



PASTOR **BELDOR**



PASTOR **VICTORINE**



PASTOR **GUITHO**



PASTOR **MATHIEU**

With Eddyson's absence, **Pastor Beldor's** responsibilities will certainly increase. Beldor's areas of focus in New Jerusalem include leading the Creole speaking church, overseeing the maintenance and development of the ministry properties in New Jerusalem, and being a liaison between the contractors, the Foundation, and the Japanese at the new school building. Many nights he even sleeps on sight as security.

**Pastor Victorine** continues to see his ministry grow and develop at Mt Zion. Since we wrote our last newsletter, God has provided a church building, and we are looking forward to developing the property a little bit further in August. He shared with me on my last trip that his ministry was the most fulfilling at this time than it had ever been.

**Pastor Guitho** continues the development of his church through a focus on music, English, and sewing classes. He's begun a school for each of these and RMI supporters have provided many instruments and sewing machines to further these works. God has blessed him with a third child since our last letter and he has been busy both in ministry and in family time.

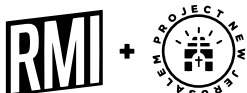
**Pastor Mathieu** has had a difficult period over the last several months. The immigration "purge" in his town has been aggressive and violent. He's had to change the day and time of their gatherings in an effort to avoid the mass deportation of his congregation. God has continued to bless his ministry, however, and the discipleship classes and Bible Institute sessions have continued as well as his neighbors coming to Christ and being baptized.

As I close, I am thinking of the many areas in each of these ministries that need further funding. The list is long and overwhelming. It is difficult to describe and explain the environment that these Haitian refugees are living in. With their home country spiraling into hopelessness and violence, millions of Haitians have tried to escape by coming to the DR only to find that the Dominicans are overwhelmed by a desperate group of people to whom they can offer very little. I'm asking you to take time to pray for these people, these ministries, and RMI as we attempt to serve the God of all hope in what feels like a hopeless environment. Thank you for your steady and consistent support and we ask that you go to our website and prayerfully consider sponsoring one of these desperate children.

We love you and appreciate you.  
I'll talk to you soon.

**Greg & Robin Rife**

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