

Willing Servant Ministries



Dominican Republic

Serving Our Savior

July – August 2009

The Jesus Film

**And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent His Son to be the Savior of the world.
1 John 4:14**

The month of July and August brought us more opportunities to share Jesus through a ministry that God continues to bless. When we have a team in we partner with a local church in an evangelical outreach event where we feed the community of that church, usually on Saturday morning, and then return that evening to show the Jesus film. Leaders from the church and members from the various mission groups work together to deliver food to 120 to 200 homes while inviting each family to come to the church that evening for a movie. The churches are always packed with standing room only. When we start the movie and the people see that the movie is about Jesus, no one leaves. After the film is over we have people from the mission teams give testimonies about what Jesus has done in their lives, again no



one leaves and everyone is listening intently as testimonies are powerful here in the Dominican Republic. In July and August through this ministry we were able to bring food to 450 families and show the Jesus film to over 350 people. We had **23 people come forward to accept Jesus as their Savior!** We know that many more seeds were planted and we are continually praying for those seeds to grow, please pray with us. Pastors from last year have reported that their congregations have grown as a result of this ministry. The story of Jesus is powerful and the best tool for ministry. Amen!

Mission Direct UK Teams

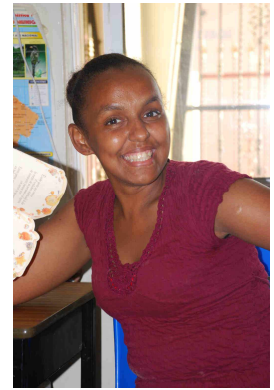
We continue to lead teams for Mission Direct UK England. In July and August we led three teams from the UK. There were 53 total people on these three teams and they were hard working and wonderful people. Between the three teams they raised enough money to sponsor 11 homes for 11 poor families. They all visited the public hospital where over 500 patients were visited, prayed for, and given a gift of hygiene items. They also helped with construction working in the 95 degree hot sun. They carried blocks, wheel barrowed, shoveled and picked, painted windows and bent rebar. They held 8 children's ministries where they

performed songs and dramas and gave over 600 children food, juice, and a gift. They gave food to 450 families in 3 villages where they showed the Jesus film to over 350 people and some gave testimony about what Jesus has done in their lives. While visiting other villages they played with the children bringing lots of joy to their lives. Through their love and commitment to helping the poor and sharing Jesus, many lives were touched with love, gifts, and homes. **The biggest blessing though came from God as we saw 35 people accept Jesus as their Savior!**



Aguas Negras

There is a place in the Dominican Republic that even the poorest of the poor consider a bad place to live. This place is called Aguas Negras (Black Waters). It has its name because all the streets in this village are filled with black sewage water that smells very bad as you can imagine. When it rains, the streets get flooded up to 5ft of water which then of course enters the homes. I am telling you about this place to encourage and inspire you. You might be saying right now “what?” or “how?”. Well, it’s because of a woman named Sandra who has been living in this community all her life. She is Dominican and God gave her a vision some six years ago to start a small school in her community. At first she talked with her Pastor and he said “no way, this is impossible here”. So she gave up. Shortly after, she had a heart attack and was very ill, and she promised God that if He healed her she would do what he asked. God healed her and she is working so hard for the Lord now. She is like a Mother Theresa in her community and an inspiration to all that know her. She now has two schools with 300 students, a church, medical clinic, sewing and crafts ministry, internet café to help raise money, a Boys and Girls Club and if that was not enough she also helps build homes for the people in her community. When we have groups in we take them to see Sandra’s ministries because she does everything by donation and the hand of God. **Sandra would tell you “If God gives you a vision, do not let anyone or anything stop you from doing what He has asked you to do”.**



Prayer Points :

- 1) We ask that you pray with us that the bondage of voodoo is broken amongst the Haitian people and that the Christian churches in those communities will actively speak the truth in Christ.
- 2) That the Lord continues to bless us with good health.
- 3) Pray for lost souls – that the light of Christ would shine through a dark and hopeless view.



Willing Servant Ministries is a non-profit tax-exempt Christian organization established by and for Rob and Tina Iannone to carry out the mission that God has called us to in the Dominican Republic. We will be working to further the gospel and help those in need physically, mentally and spiritually. We are able to continue to touch lives for Christ because of **Faithful Supporters** who generously give to further the Good News! Thank you for your love and support in the past and for the days to come. May God richly bless you!!

Then I heard a voice of the Lord saying, “ Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?” And I said, “ Here am I Lord. Send me!” - Isaiah 6:8

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