## "Barrels of Blessings"

## SUPPORTING GOD'S MINISTRY IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC THROUGH



Our ability to travel has been greatly curtailed due to the pandemic but our commitment to demonstrate the love of Christ has not diminished. This initiative is a continuation of our support and partnership with our brothers and sisters in the Dominican Republic. For more than 2 decades Beulah has mobilized teams of servants to minister in the DR building homes under the direction of World Servants. We even commissioned a youth group to serve with Seth Cohen, former Headmaster of the City School - Spruce Hill Campus.

In more recent years, at our invitation, Daniel Ne (the then Executive Director of World Servants DR) came to Beulah to host a workshop and preach at our Missions Conference. Daniel is now the founder and Executive Director of Pasión de Servir (<a href="www.pasiondeservir.org">www.pasiondeservir.org</a>), a Christ centered effort to bring the gospel of hope and services to a people much in need. The focus of ministry will also be to serve the least reached communities and those otherwise neglected by governmental agencies.

The thrust of the initiative will be two-fold: (1) providing some basic resources for living (toiletries, clothes, medicines, etc.) hence "**Barrels of Blessings**" and (2) sending teams to serve (teach, preach, reach) the Dominican people.

Pasión de Servir works in conjunction with the local churches in the DR providing training for leadership and equipping workers for evangelization and service. As a U.S. representative for the mission, I will endeavor to seek fellow believers who are willing to support this initiative.

I am requesting permission to place a barrel in the foyer of our church asking congregants to purchase items that Daniel has identified as most needed (a list is attached). These items can be easily purchased at our neighborhood dollar stores. When the container is full the barrel will be prepared for shipment.

Under ordinary circumstances our short-term teams would carry these items with them for in-country ministry. This will give us an opportunity to evaluate the cost effectiveness of this method as our luggage fees are often quite exorbitant. I am still investigating the cost of shipping barrels.

Families in the DR often have one set of sheets and towels for the entire family. And because of this they experience skin disorders and diseases. Personal items that we often take for granted are lacking for most families. People living in the hills would be greatly appreciative and encouraged by an outpouring of love from people who have never laid eyes on them. The fact of the matter is that our Lord and Savior has never taken His eyes off of them nor is insensitive to their needs! I believe the Lord is calling us to bear their burden and showcase His love.

Hoping for an affirmative decision and grateful for your thoughtful consideration.

In His Love, Jean Allen