



# Latin America and the Caribbean

## NEWS FROM THE KREY FAMILY



### REGIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Spain FORO
- *Many missionaries have headed back to the States for home service – look for them at a church near you!*

### DOMINICAN REPUBLIC HIGHLIGHTS

- *WELCOME to James Krey, new missionary who is set to arrive in July*
- *Plans continue for construction of church/preschool in Licey*
- *Team visits from St. Michaels, Fort Myers, Florida, to help fix up the playground and school at Concordia Lutheran School in Palmar Arriba – Many thanks!!*



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## Visit to Missionaries in Spain!

In June, Ted visited our missionaries in Madrid, Spain. The exciting news was that one man is to be ordained this coming November and two more new men have been identified for studies as well. Missionary Pastors Lehman and Warner have also located a locale in Sevilla and hope to have that opened and dedicated in November. Currently there are three weekly worship services in Sevilla, Madrid, and Barcelona. Apart from this, our missionaries travel hundreds of miles visiting Lutherans spread throughout the country bringing them pastoral care.



Missionary Pastor Adam Lehman preached at the opening service for the FORO in Spain

## Update on Mercy Centre & Seminary

Plans for our Mercy Centre and Seminary in the Dominican Republic are in full swing. In June, the budget, building project, and curriculum development were all part of our ongoing work. One of our greatest challenges is to find adequate power as electricity only comes to the village 5 hours a day. As such, solar panels are to be implemented, but the learning curve is steep for those of us who do not know much about this. Pray that we have the right company to work with, sufficient monies and time to install these before the start of our school year on August 20. Pray too that our students in their respective countries would be able to obtain their visas. Pray that these young men would be excited to learn more about our dear Lord Jesus and



Mercy Centre & Seminary will be located in the newly completed third floor on church/school in Palmar Arriba

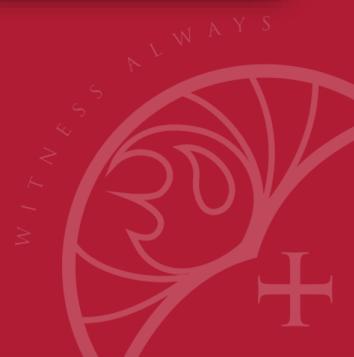
be formed to go out and tell the Good News to a generation that does not yet know Him.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- *Ongoing preparations and logistics for the new seminary in the Dominican Republic, set to open in August 2017*
- *Idjon Fritz and Yban Navarro as they finish their final courses in preparation for ordination*
- *Azariah's Visa for the Dom Rep.*
- *For our return trip to the Dominican Republic and settling back into home*

## GIVE THANKS FOR:

- *This special time Becca & kids have had to spend with Grandparents and family*
- *Good health, safe travels for Ted*



There are many opportunities to serve as short-term or GEO missionaries. Check out the current list and download an application at [lcms.org/service](http://lcms.org/service). Click on "Service Opportunities."

## MISSIONS IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

This month we received the good news that we have sufficient funds to move ahead with the building of our church & school in Licey. The current preschool houses 140 preschool children in a four room house. The new plans call for a sanctuary and four large classrooms, with the possibility of building an additional 8 classrooms as the school grows. Our construction circle met this month, reviewed the budget, chose a builder, agreed on staged building, and is seeking the necessary permit from the township to begin building. Pray for the necessary permits, strength to see this project through, and the monies that are still needed so that we might establish presence in Licey and it be for the

building up of the household of faith in that town.

Idjon Fritz is finishing his studies this semester. He has three remaining subjects which he is slated to finish July 31<sup>st</sup>. Idjon has been studying for 7 years now, graduates August 20<sup>th</sup>, and God-willing will be ordained October 1. Four of the women who have been studying for 4 years will also graduate in August and be consecrated as deaconesses on October 1st as well. Pray for them as they finish their last course on the Old Testament in the month of July. Pray that the Lord might use them to bring his mercy and Good News to the people they are given to serve.

### A note from home –

It has been a month of happy celebrations for our families. First off was the marriage of my youngest sister, Ruth, to Arturo Maita (3 week old Azariah joined me for his first flight as we travelled to Florida), next we returned just in time for the graduation of Aunt Tirzah, Ted's youngest sister, from university, with a degree in Nursing, and then we rejoiced with my dad as he celebrated his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday! What a joy to be at home to take part in these special occasions, which we normally miss being miles away.

We had hoped to return to Santiago at the beginning of July, however we are still awaiting Azariah's residence visa from the Dom Rep consulate in Chicago. So our plans are on hold for now as we wait patiently. I am afraid that I am seeing a trend of waiting and patience with this little one... ☺

~ Becca



*We are very thankful for all of your prayers and support!*

*- Rev. Ted & Becca Krey, Esther, Matthias, Natalia, Evangeline & Azariah*

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