# Latin America and the Caribbean NEWS FROM THE KREY FAMILY



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# Ted with Dominican Vicars Yban & Idjon. Still smiling after finishing a preaching course!

## REGIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Belize FORO
- Mexico visit
- Uruguay FORO
- · Grand Cayman meeting
- Peru FORO
- Guatemala visit

# DOMINICAN REPUBLIC HIGHLIGHTS

- Baptisms and confirmations celebrated at Easter at three of our missions.
- Farwell to James Neuendorf as he returns to the US to finish his seminary studies at Fort Wayne



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# A Month on the Road....



One of the stops this past month was Zacapa, Guatemala, here pictured with Regional Facilitator, Rev. Ed Auger (far left), and six presem/seminary students

These past weeks have been filled with many days on the road, visiting missions, missionaries, supporting missionary Pastors, and meeting with partner church bodies. Three FORO meetings took place, gathering districts and supporting congregations/organizations around church planting LCMS missionaries on the field in Belize, Uruguay, and Peru.

Good news this month - Give thanks with us for a property purchased to house St. Andrew's Lutheran mission in Kingston, Jamaica!

To check out what our LCMS missionaries are up to in Mexico read this recent 'Lutherans Engage the World' article:

https://engage.lcms.org/mexicomissionary-spring-2017/



Service in Uruguay

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

- Ongoing planning for studies and logistics for the new seminary in the Dominican Republic
- Idjon Fritz and Yban Navarro as they finish their final courses in preparation for ordination
- New missionaries: Naumanns and James Krey as they seek funding to come to the field
- All those studying in catechism classes throughout the region
- Safe arrival of Baby Krey!

### **GIVE THANKS FOR:**

- Health and safe travels
- Our many supporters and encouragers
- Esther celebrating her 8th birthday, an extra-special event this year with her Oma!





### MISSIONS IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

During the Holy Week, more than 25 special services were held across our 5 missions in the Dominican Republic, in which there was the opportunity to meditate on our Lord Jesus, hear of His great love and faithfulness for us in giving Himself as the Lamb who was slain for the forgiveness of our sins.

April was also a time to say goodbye to James Neuendorf who is heading to CTSFW seminary to complete his Masters of Divinity. We give thanks for his faithful service of 8 years to our Lord and His church and wish him Godspeed.

Our mercy center and seminary also continue to move along with the

building nearing completion, the curriculum being written, and 14 foreign students committed to coming in August!



Vicar Idjon Fritz leads the Palm Sunday procession through the community of Palmar Arriba

## A note from home -

"No baby yet!!" Is the common phrase heard around here now 

We are just a few days past our due date, and baby Krey is still waiting to make his/her appearance. Thank you for all of your prayers as we wait.

Meanwhile we have been continuing to enjoy some of the differences of spring here in Canada: watching robins and raccoons, seeing buds on the trees, tulips, daffodils, green grass, picking worms out of the gardens, and now, the start of soccer season and the discovery of shin guards!

I am also especially thankful for having had the special privilege of hearing my dad preach on Good Friday and Easter, as he was filling in for a vacancy in Windsor, Ontario. What a joy it was to sing alongside my mom, the familiar Easter songs of praise to our Risen Lord and Savior! ~ Becca



Natalia is thrilled to play on the same team with her cousin (far left)

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

- Rev. Ted & Rebecca Krey, Esther, Matthias, Natalia & Evangeline



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