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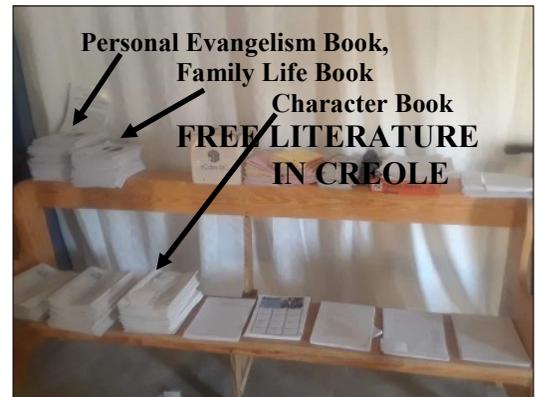
## Missionaries from Haiti in the Dominican

If you are a Haitian in the Dominican Republic you are close to your home land of Haiti but far away from connecting with ministry, fellowship, and training from Haiti. Our Character team traveled to Romana DR to speak to a conference of churches. **The lead pastor said, "I always have dreamed of having missionaries come from Haiti to speak to us!"** The effort made to bring this conference to this distant place was greatly appreciated by the 88 leaders who attended.

Response from those who attended are as follows:

- The blueprint of God for the family, we had many male participants who realize that they must **be servants, protectors, and leaders instead of being a bull at home**. They are very happy to know their two main responsibilities: love and guide their wives. **The women appreciated this very much!**
- The men said that they were happy to hear about the two key responsibilities of the female spouses: submit and be an auxiliary for their husbands.
- 40 percent of participants were women so the conference had a certain balance particularly for the family topic.
- Pastors promised to multiply the training by sharing the conference with others.
- Even after the conference, the leaders stayed a little more to show their satisfaction, ask questions, and discuss the conference.
- On the gospel topic, people realize that salvation is in Christ alone not in religion.

There will be a need to print a large amount of literature this coming year. **Each book will cost \$500 for materials and shipping.**



## Lluvias Ministry - Ciro and Juanita Perez

**Return visit to the earthquake zone:** We visited Comitancillo. Some of the new believers are struggling to understand this new walk, but they are seeing changes in their lives. They continue to feel earthquake shakes and it has created a constant concern in the community.

**On this visit, we learned that Gloria had passed away.** Gloria was a women raising her grandson and was greatly affected by the earthquake. She died from a fall in her daughter's home. I remember the first time I met Gloria. She and her grandson were sleeping on the porch, since the rest of their home had been destroyed in the earthquake. The porch was open on three sides, and their beds, clothes, kitchen, and sofa were all in one small place that still had a roof on it. Gloria accepted Jesus and came to Bible studies when we would go to the community. **We praise God she accepted Christ on that evening, and she is now in God's presence.**

**Village of Atepec:** The eye glasses were delivered and Ciro was able to preach in the local church. We were able to encourage the lay leader (at right) in charge of the church (who is nearly blind) and his wife who is the first person from the village to undergo chemotherapy. They are faithful servants, trusting the Lord to help them through this difficult time.



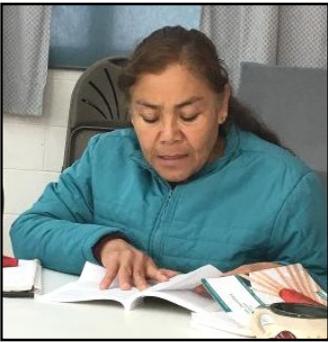
## Ciro's Brother in Heaven

Elpidio was **Ciro's** oldest brother. He was a pastor, missionary to his own people, a pioneer Christian going into many communities and beginning churches. He passed away (March 16) a couple of days short of his 79th birthday. The last 14 years he has had many health issues, mainly Parkinson's. **He was a great influence in **Ciro's** life.** When **Ciro** was younger, Elpidio took him on his missionary trips and taught him much. He also helped with the translation of the New Testament to the Zapoteco language. It was incredible to sit and listen to testimony after testimony of people who came to Christ through Elpidio's teaching. Whole families now in ministry, pasturing churches because Elpidio brought them to Christ. What an incredible life. He is survived by Angelina, his wife, and three daughters and two grandchildren. Pray for us as we minister to them. One of the daughters is totally bedridden due to MS.



### Lluvias de Gracia:

We have taught two modules of "Hearts, Hands and Minds" (a leadership ministry) for leaders of several churches. It is exciting to see many leaders come together, study together, and have their questions answered.



The couples have begun to meet every six weeks to enjoy fellowship and study God's Word. We have had a good turn out. A young couple (Miguel and Alejandra) has taken on this ministry and have many new ideas. We have started two Bible studies, The Power of the Praying Wife and the Power of the Praying Husband. We had about 40 people show up to study together.

The men from the church rode their motorcycles up the mountain for an afternoon of adventure and fellowship.

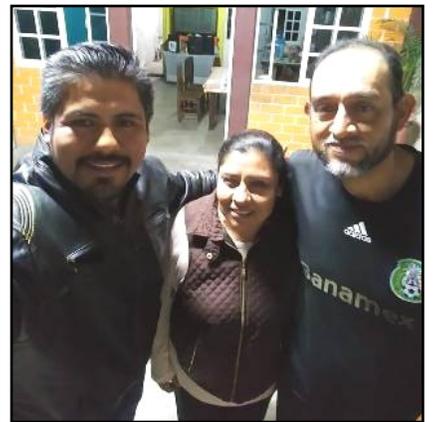


**Juanita is a speaker in demand as a professional counselor.**

## Village Ministry - David and Karina Lopez

We thank the Lord for his love and protection. There are times we feel that things are going up and then times we feel they are going down. But we walk by faith and not by sight.

We meet every Wednesday evening for prayer and have been praying many months for Sergio who left his wife about 6 months ago. This left her very depressed but God brought her to us and He has changed her whole life. A week ago she received papers from the justice department saying that he was suing her. It was not fair at all so we prayed. Later that week Sergio sent me a message asking me to talk with him. It was a big opportunity so I went. I explained many things he did not know. In the end we prayed and I told him the next steps he needed to take to make changes in his life and with his wife. The next day he sent me a picture of proof that he was withdrawing his suit. On Sunday he came to church. There are many wounds in this family but God is starting to heal them. We have also been praying for Eve's brother Gabriel. **Just this week Gabriel and Norma (at right) believed in Jesus as their savior.** God is so good and we are thankful for all He is doing. A baptism is coming soon and it seems there are many discouragements.



## Los Alamos Ministry - Carlos and Sara Vasquez

It has been 10 weeks since we started teaching the children at the Bible club. We have studied the book of Genesis chapter by chapter. We are thankful for 20 children who have been coming. Karen, Keli, and Carlitos have been recording the voices for the puppets for the Bible stories. They have been very faithful.

Now there are 3 neighbor children who attend all the services at church. They come in spite of their parents getting a divorce. They live with their father and grandparents who are Catholic but do not oppose them coming.

The Mission Committee of the Church is planning to visit two communi-



ties in the mountains that are Mixteca. One of the villages is totally closed to the gospel. We are collecting sweaters, jackets, and Bibles for the children.



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