



DOMINICAN VISION INC. (DVI) COVID19 UPDATE APRIL 2020



“Let us give glory to the Lord and praise His name in the islands” Isaiah 42:12

Dear friends of DVI,

We trust that you are keeping well and that you are able to navigate this unusual time.

Please read the following and watch the attached video from Pastor Chalas.



This grandma live with 4 grandchild and her daughter in law, she is a widow, and her son is in jail, the father of this young ladies, they only has bananas to eat in the moment we went to their house 3:19 p.m.

On around April 8, we (Dominican Vision) sent you our first email with respect to our food delivery program. At that time, we were providing food to about 500 Dominicans and Haitians (that are in the D.R.). That number has now jumped to about 1,000 people receiving a full meal every day plus some snacks (chocolate milk or roasted buns) for the children of our school. This is to help them go to sleep with something in their tummies. All of it is done through Pastor Chalas, his family, some other Pastors we work with in other communities and a missionary (Karen C.) that has been working among the under privileged for over 25 years



This ladies is a cristian person, she has 3 child with her, nothing to eat that day, no husband 3:24 p.m.

Attached is a short video in which Pastor Chalas expresses his gratitude for the financial help that enables him and his family to distribute food hampers in Arroyo Seco – the community we mostly work in and where our school is located. Almost everyone in the community and beyond is now in need of help. Teachers are preparing homework that Pastor Chalas also distributes. As time goes on, we will introduce you to our other co-workers that place their health – yes their lives – on the line in order to help the hungry. There is very little social distancing happening in the D.R. This has prompted the government to threaten an all-out lockdown on the whole country. EVERYONE would have to stay home for a full week. The havoc that would create is unimaginable.

As always, we need your prayers and your help, but especially now since almost no one in our general ministry area is working. The governments help is minimal – especially out in the country sides. Food is becoming increasingly scarce and expensive. We have weekly ZOOM meetings with other groups working in that area of the N. Coast. This eliminates overlap and helps us to help as many people as possible.

Our regular expenses for the Ministry have not changed. With the food distribution our total expenses per month have risen to \$30,000.00. Any additional donation is appreciated. We understand that many have already given what they can and we realize that some of you are going through stressful and emotional times. Please help us as much as you can!

Thank you so much to those who are praying and those who have already given!

In a few days I will send you an email with some uplifting news. God is doing some neat things as people realize how much they need HIM.

Blessings,
Walter Warkentin (on behalf of the DVI Team)

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