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Dear friends and family,



We're packing our bags and finishing off our studies... But before we leave we wanted to send you a quick newsletter updating you on this summer's activities and on our Cuba itinerary!



During the summer months we were busy doing projects in the community! In June, the Sports Committee worked on the field, finally able to enclose it with an iron fence! Yay! No more "donuts" in the field and a more protected environment for all the kids and young people who are playing soccer and basketball.

Valley Community Church came in July and helped to fund two projects. We were also going to have a beach bonfire with their team and our youth but unfortunately some of the people in their group got Covid and so did Martha! We weren't able to work together, but Pablo and Jacob recruited some helpers, and they were able to complete the next section of one of the projects and get a little farther on another.



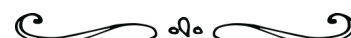
Cheque's house project—plumbing prep and slab upon the foundation laid earlier.



Soccer players: a tough group of volunteers! They got the job done!



Project #2 Martinez family house—the old entrance was closed up, kitchen plumbing & layout switched and a new exterior door installed!



In August our church hosted a medical clinic at a community center. The ST. BARNABAS | MAYO CLINIC | RLC & FRIENDS MEXICO MEDICAL MISSION sent funds for medicines, clothes for donations, backpacks for school, glasses, eye drops, etc to help with the clinic. We had local doctors giving their services in general medicine, dental and optical. We also had free haircutting and provided a PB&J for the patients waiting to be seen. It was a wonderful day to be able to bless and touch the physical needs of those who attended. Here is the full album of pictures: <https://app.box.com/s/n1vz5c6ms1mfudicmt2blgtmhvqk2ox1>



Pablo in General Triage, Martha in Dental and Jake assisting Doctor Victor with patients.

Our church had baptisms and 15 different people made the decision to be baptized. We had the Mexican equivalent of a potluck! (Everyone brings food for their family and anyone else, and people wander from table to table!!) The fellowship was wonderful. It is one of those days that we wait for every year! For the full album:

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Praying beforehand with those that were going to be baptized.



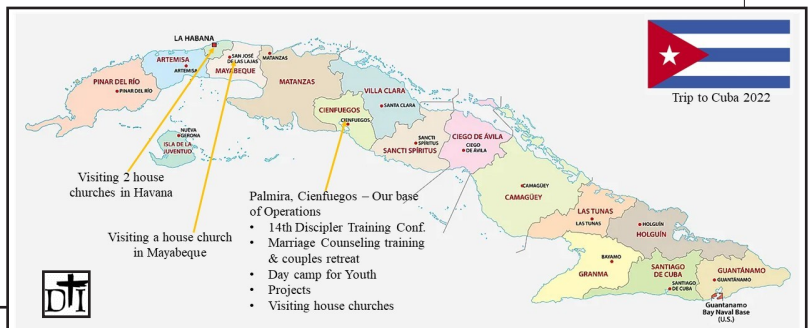
As we prepare to leave, we have a bed piled with things that we are going to take into Cuba. We have bike parts and car parts, 11 pairs of eye glasses that have had specific prescriptions filled, 30 pairs of readers, 60 toothbrushes and toothpaste, body soap, underwear and bras, cloth diapers, soccer balls and ping pong balls, 38 usb sticks (please pray that they are distributed enough to get through) medicine for diabetes & glucose test strips, medicine for high blood-pressure, antibiotics, pain medication, vitamins, kitchen and baby items, a portable hard-drive, and miscellaneous gifts... We are limited on weight that we can take in, so we are going to travel light, personally, and travel heavy in blessings! We are so excited!

Thank you to all of you who have contributed financially for travel expenses, conference expenses, a special project that had to be subtitled to match the dubbing, the needed items that we are taking in, for book printing costs... so many details! We couldn't go without you! Cuba para Cristo!



Just have to share a pic of our beautiful grandkids! Mischa turned 11 in June and Oliver is 6 1/2. They both went to a kid's camp out at Agua Viva and loved it! Ben drove them out and showed them all his favorite hiding places and nooks where he read up in the tree branches growing up!

Yanet has lived with us for a little over six years. She finished college and has worked as a teacher—waiting for her transfer back to her home town! Her transfer came in and she has now started school as a 5th grade teacher in San Vicente. She will be helping on weekends at our house while we are gone and then in October when we return she will fully spread her wings and move out on her own. We are so proud of her accomplishments but without a doubt, teary at the thought of not having her around on a day to day basis! Yay God! Thank you for this beautiful, young woman that is a heart-daughter in our lives!



September-October 2022						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
September:			Travel Day	Arrive in Havana - Home of Julio & Sarahy	Home of Julio & Sarahy	PM - Travel to Mongui y Lisi
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Mongui y Lisy	Mongui y Lisy	Mongui y Lisy	AM Travel to Mayabeque - Eliezer y Midalys	Eliezer y Midalys	Eliezer y Midalys	Travel to Palmira
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Service	Work projects at the Training Center	Work projects at the Training Center	Work projects at the Training Center	Work projects at the Training Center	Work projects at the Training Center	Planning Mtg. Cuban leadership
25	26	27	28	29	30	October 1
Church Service / Planning Mtg. Cuban leadership	Discipeler Training Conference	Discipeler Training Conference	Discipeler Training Conference	Discipeler Training Conference	Discipeler Training Conference	Rest
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Planning Mtg. Cuban leadership	Marriage Counseling Training Sessions	Marriage Counseling Training Sessions / Retreat	Couples Retreat	Couples Retreat	Rest	Youth Day Camp
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Ramito & Raquel's church in Camarones	Cesar & Roxana's house - Visit mission churches	Cesar & Roxana's house - Visit mission churches	Cesar & Roxana's house - Visit mission churches	Family time - Luis Hernandez family	Family time - Luis Hernandez family	Family time - Luis Hernandez family
16	17	18				
Family time - Hernandez Family	Travel to Havana	Early AM flight				



Pablo & Martha

Please pray with us as you follow our itinerary!