



# ***Greetings from Connie*** ***November/2016*** ***Iglesia Evangélica Dominicana*** ***Apartado 42 Barahona, Dominican Republic***

## **New Babies**

In the last newsletter, I asked for prayers for our two young ladies that were pregnant, Rosalba and Juanna. With all the mosquitoes we have been having, we asked for protection against the diseases they carry especially Zika. I am very happy to tell you that both Isabela and Silvania were born free of Zika and in good health. Both of them and their mothers are doing fine. Since they both have 2 year olds they will have their hands full for sure, but there are always others near to help. It truly takes a village to raise a child! Thank you for your prayers for these precious children of God.



## **Graduation**

It has taken a long time, but with perseverance, Francis finally finished his degree in marketing. He is the president of our church and has been helped for many years with a small scholarship through COPA. It has been many years since COPA began helping with scholarships and we are finally reaping the benefits with many of the original students graduating. If anyone would like to help, we have four students who need help through a scholarship. These students are all in the private university since the public one is very undependable and takes nine years to finish at least. At the private, they can finish in 4 years. To help it would be around \$50 a month but any amount can be donated. Just drop me a line if anyone is interested. These students are more than halfway through their studies.



**Students needing help are:**  
**Richie and Yan Carlos – information systems**  
**Daribel and Ana Manuela – nursing**

## Summer Camp for Youth of the Iglésia Evangélica Dominicana



Thanks to Hyde Park UMC in Tampa Florida, nine of our girls were able to participate in the church's national youth summer camp. It was a wonderful time of fellowship with other youth of the country along with great speakers and workshops as well as many worship opportunities.



I thank God for each of you for helping and praying for our ministry here in the Dominican Republic.

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## Young Life Camp for Non-churched Youth



Besides working with youth from our own church, we also have a ministry working with non-churched youth in the village of La Hoya. Thanks to donations from other churches and individuals, we were able to send twenty one to a Young Life Camp in the mountainous area of central Dominican Republic. It was a tremendous time for them and we pray that the seeds planted there will grow as we continue to work with them back in La Hoya.

## Celebration of the Reformation



We were proud to be asked to host the Celebration of the reformation for thirteen churches that make up the Deep South District of the Iglésia Evangélica Dominicanans. We were told about 125 would attend so imagine our surprise when around 300 came! It was another example of how God multiplied the loaves and the fish when it came to refreshment time!

