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Missionaries to

PUERTO RICO

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Dear Pastor and Praying Friends,

We have been quite busy! Thank you for your prayers during the recent series of earthquakes that started in December. We are on the southern side of the island and about 13 miles from the epicenter of most of the quakes. PRAISE THE LORD the earthquakes have not caused any major damage or injury to our church members or our family. In the older communities, the damages are obvious. We know we are blessed and protected by God. Thank you very much for your prayer for our security; it has been quite evident.

We lost our power and water at different times, for about 8 days. The church building has taken some damage. We have not been able to use part of the building while we wait for the earthquakes to subside, but we hope to be able to do any necessary repairs and get back to normal at church. Many of public services such as schools, government offices, electric, and water administrative offices are still closed, due to fear of another big earthquake.

Please pray for our city of Ponce. The people are living in fear of another earthquake. Many people are still afraid to go inside buildings and are sleeping outside of their houses. Through this, God has blessed in making them more open to the gospel. Several apartment complexes and neighborhoods have begun having prayer meetings. We have been able to hand out over 1,600 Romans, Bibles, and tracts. So far, we have seen three people trust Jesus as their Savior! I had a lady in her nineties tell me, "All the other churches are just giving out water; your church is giving out what we really need: hope, peace, and Jesus."

We were able to see God work during the holidays. For Christmas, we put on a children's Christmas play and saw several parents come to church and hear the gospel.

We also had the blessing to have the founding pastor of our church come for a visit. We had a high attendance of 115 people at the church for the special day. Please pray for us as we work to follow up on the many visitors.

Our family has moved. Thank you to everyone who prayed for our housing situation. We were able to find a much larger house in a very safe neighborhood for only slightly more than we were paying. Thank you very much for your prayers.

We have had some pretty major problems with drugs and homeless people at our church building. We have arrived for church to find people unresponsive on the front steps of our church. We also have an almost daily battle with cleaning up needles, drug paraphernalia, blood, and other filth at the church. We have talked with the police, but they have told us that there is nothing more that they can do. Our church has been raising money for a security system. We are wanting to gate off the front porch of the church. If you or your church can help in any way, please let us know. All special offerings would go through our sending church. Please pray that this situation will be resolved.

We know we are in the will of God here in Ponce, Puerto Rico. We also know that we have been able to be here and see God bless through your prayers, support, and sacrifices. We look forward to adding more fruit to your account in Heaven.

In Christ,
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Earthquakes

Souls Saved

Security

Security System

PRAYERS ANSWERED:

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Sending Church

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