



Prayer Requests

Give thanks for the work that is already being done in the Dominican Republic by the grace of God.

Pray for the pastors, deaconesses, and the entire missionary team currently working in the Dominican Republic, along with their families.

Pray for the Preuses as they await their departure to the Dominican Republic, and especially Jenny and the new baby.

Pray for mission and mercy to abound in the Dominican Republic and throughout the world.

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Mission and Mercy

Mission and mercy go together. This is not a forced combination. Our support of mercy may not be separated from our love for the gospel. In fact, real mercy comes from a desire to have the gospel preached in its truth and purity. We know that faith comes from hearing the message of forgiveness that God has accomplished for us in Christ. And seeing the mercy that our caregivers give from a Christian heart to those like Lamona (to the right) is encouraging. Such selfless love shows that the gospel is alive and well in our churches. Indeed, we love each other because God has first loved us. Oh, and nice photo bomb, Francis! 😊



Reflections from Home...by Hans

Our trip was nice. We got to visit our cousins and grandparents on my mom's side of the family. But we did get some sad news during our trip. Since we are moving, my godparents were taking care of my pet bearded dragon, Willie. But this month he got sick and wasn't eating well, and then he died. See, my brother and sisters and I used to like to catch toads, and the toads we caught would die after about a year. So while we were living in Billings, MT, dad took us to the pet store to get a pet that would live longer. We picked



out a bearded dragon. The one we chose was jumping against the glass and it seemed like he was saying "Pick me, pick me!" He ate carrots, apples, mealworms and crickets. I think he liked the crickets better, because he seemed to like to sneak up on them and hunt for them. Then he would stick out his tongue really fast and gulp them down. I really liked him. He was a fun pet to have.

So anyway, during our trip dad called to tell me Willie had died. I was kind of shocked at first and then I was just sad too, because I was really counting on being able to visit him when we came back to visit the United States from the DR. Then my dad reminded me that sin entered the world, and that things started dying then. But then he told me that since we're Christians we don't have to worry about death. We know that because of Jesus we get to look forward to going to heaven when we die. He also told me a funny story from when he was a kid about his pet hamster Fred, and how he escaped from his cage, and dad was looking for him and then found him by accidently stepping on him, and then he died. He was really sad because he wanted him to live longer. I thought that story was both sad and funny, and that kind of got me over being sad too. Well, that's all for now. Bye.

¡Dios Los Bendiga!

God bless you! Thanks for your prayers, encouragement, and support. We hope you will stay with us and follow our journey to the Dominican!

In Christ's love,

Rev. David Preus

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