

# The Oliverias

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## Missionaries to the Dominican Republic

Since 2003, we have been going on short-term mission trips to the Dominican Republic. Our original goal was to introduce our family to other cultures and instill in them a heart to serve others. It quickly became a burning passion for the people of this beautiful country. After multiple trips, our hearts were stirred to make a long-term commitment to serve in the DR.

In 2007, we made the decision was made to move overseas and become full-time missionaries. Shortly after making this decision we were introduced to Jim and Debra Tunnicliffe, directors of *Island Light*  Ministries. Upon meeting them, the Lord made it clear that this is where He wants us to serve. We have been in constant prayer, seeking the Lord to direct our steps in this life changing venture. We, along with our six children, are excited about the opportunity before us.

Our desire is to be used by the Lord to be His hands and feet, to bring light to those living in darkness, and to bring hope to those who have none. This is the heart of Island Light Ministries. It is for this reason that we believe God has called us to serve with this ministry.

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#### PARTNER WITH US

God calls us to be different parts of the Body of Christ. Though we, the Body, have many members we are all one body and each part has to work with all the other parts to be able to function. We are asking that you would seek the Lord to see if He would have you commit to partnering with us. In supporting us, you will be part of the team reaching souls with the Gospel, feeding the poor and equipping local leaders to be even more effective in their ministries. Below are just a few of the ways our family will be serving in the Dominican Republic.

### Community Renewal

Ministering to families within the Villa Paraiso (Paradise Village.) Assisting in the work of the trade school. Working with short term teams and other ministries within the village.

#### Churches and Bible Studies

Providing continuing ministry education for Dominican Pastors, assisting in outreaches and Bible studies in both Spanish and English.

#### Youth Ministry

Assisting with Youth Ministries which opens the doors to sharing Christ with Dominican youth through devotionals and various activities.

## Feeding Program

With some areas of the country reaching as high as 70% poverty level, many families cannot afford to eat every day.



Many children go to school without any breakfast and many times without dinner the night before. This program provides food commodities to those in need.

Visit <u>www.IslandLightMinistries.org</u> for donation options.

# **Prayer Partner**

In everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. Any endeavor done for God without God's blessing or leading is an empty endeavor. Our priority is to have a strong prayer team that is committed to praying for God's will for the ministry and for us. Not only are we asking for partners to commit to praying for us, we also commit to praying for you.