

## Dominican Development Group

### Mission Team Office Report

February 16, 2015

As we start the New Year in the Episcopal Diocese of the Dominican Republic I am happy to report the total number of teams scheduled for 2015 is 54. This breaks down into -

12 VBS teams

13 medical teams

29 construction and repair teams

This is a significant increase from the preceding year and includes several new teams. Of note, we recently completed an eye clinic in San Pedro from the Diocese of Georgia that cared for over 800 people and has furnished the clinic with equipment to continue to service the community with eye exams. Also earlier this year, another Georgia team provided a well in Carreton and another is scheduled for Santana Bani from a Florida team.

Julius Ariail continues to publish the team schedule with changes weekly on the DDG site, so that others can be aware of opportunities to serve.

I am happy to report that Emily Gibson, Charleston, SC will be joining me for 6 months to help translate with teams and also write a history of our churches and schools.

Patricia Martin is an invaluable help in the office with coordination and making reservations for teams. Charlie Nakash aids with construction teams.

Our twice yearly exploratory trips have brought the opportunity for others to see what is happening in this Diocese and perhaps form teams. Bill Kunkle and I have participated in presentations in the States for helping to develop teams on a number of occasions.

I continue to receive requests from many of our priests for teams as well as the Bishop's priority list in order to place new teams where they are needed.

Respectfully submitted,

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