

# Dorcé Family

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**“Ah, Sovereign LORD, you have made the heavens and the earth by your great power and outstretched arm.**

**NOTHING IS TOO HARD FOR YOU.”**

**Jeremiah 32:17**



*Blessing Hearts*  
MINISTRIES

## ***Dearest Brothers and Sisters in Christ,***

Wilckly and I have both battled some health issues: his heart and my knees. He spent a few days in the hospital, but the doctors now seem to have things under control with medication and he is feeling a lot better. Thank you for praying for him and for praying for my knee surgery to go well. This was my second total knee replacement surgery. They were both successful and now I feel so much better. The pain is gone, and I have more energy because I am not in so much pain. What a blessing!



Wilckly and I were able to travel to the Dominican Republic before I had to return to work. I was so excited to get to go and take all the Betty Lukens flannelgraph large figures that was donated to us by the New Hope Christian Church in Marshalltown, Iowa where my college roommate, Valarie Peterson, attends. She saw this flannelgraph set on our wish list. Then they found this set in their storage that had never been used! Instead, it had been sitting in storage just waiting for such a time as this to be used in our ministry in the Dominican Republic. Val and I had the chance to meet up so I could get it from her and reminisced about a time

during college when we spent two months in Puerto Rico together helping various missionaries. One of our tasks there was to cut out a small set of this same Betty Lukens flannel graph!

Arriving home with the set I knew there was no way that I would ever get them cut out on my own. We organized “Dee’s Cutting Up Party” where ladies came from Blockton Christian Church, New Market Church of Christ, United Christian Presbyterian Church and First Baptist Church of Bedford to cut out all the flannelgraph figures. It was a fun day of fellowship, and they finished the job in no time. I was able to put it all in my suitcase and pay extra to be able to carry the huge backdrops to frame the stories. Arriving in the Dominican Republic,



it took Christella and I three days to get all the figures placed in the special filing system. We had flannel graph everywhere but finally everything found a spot. All that to say a huge shout out and THANK YOU!!!! to all of those who made this possible! It is an amazing teaching tool, and I was able to teach the first Sunday School lesson with it and it was a definite hit with the kids and adults alike.

It takes a lot to orchestrate a trip: timing and money being paramount. I was so anxious to make this trip. I planned to go on Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup> and return Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>. I looked up the tickets which were going to be \$600 round trip for each of us, for a total of \$1,200. I went to my doctor's appointment, and he said he wouldn't release me until September 9th. There went my plan! God's plan started to take shape. I had some friends stop by with a check for \$600 to help cover my ticket. The next day a friend stopped by with a check for \$200 to help us get to the Dominican Republic. I looked up tickets for Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> and returning Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> and guess what? They were no longer \$600 but \$400!!! I was so excited! God had provided \$800, enough to purchase both round trip tickets. His timing is always best.

I was able to spend a week there and Wilckly stayed to continue working and building the ministry on the ground in the Dominican Republic. We continue to work and support everything that we had to leave behind in Haiti. Those people in the churches in Haiti have not lost hope. They continue to thrive and work until Jesus returns. The persecution from the gangs is unbearable and makes daily living very difficult. It's because of your faithful support that we can continue to be a lifeline to all of those left behind. We've been able to help provide food, shelter and life-saving surgery, just to name a few, and all of that is because of your again we say, "THANK YOU truly saving lives both spiritually. Please continue her people. We continue we can return home to



The highlight of the trip finally get Jhemson safely Dominican Republic. It was experience for him as they with guns but God pulled trudged through mud, tore elbow, ran from the bad safe and sound. He was the whole experience but showed up with him as was a sweet reunion! I

we smashed each other with the biggest hug ever, both of us and Wilckly completely overwhelmed with relief that he was finally safe with us. We praise God for those of you who sent funds to help make this happen and kept praying with us as we trusted God for His timing once again.

We were blessed to find Pasteur David and the deacon, Brother Nenen functioning faithfully and keeping things going in Wilckly's absence. They continued to hold services Sunday morning, Sunday evening and Bible study on Wednesday night. Pray for them as they seek out people who need to know our Lord and Savior. Putting their heads together with Wilckly and using their experience there, they all feel it is time and it is necessary to search for a place out on the main road that we could purchase to build the church. It would be easier to access for everyone, and we aren't sure how much longer the

faithful support, so SO MUCH". You are physically and to pray for Haiti and to pray for the day that Haiti.

is that we were able to from Haiti to the a harrowing were chased by men them to safety. He his jeans, scraped his guys but made it to us tired and in shock from when our driver church was starting it yelled, "Jhemson!" and

will let us rent the part where we are holding church services right now. Please pray for us to have wisdom and discernment as we search for this place together. Start praying about how you can be a part of making this happen for His glory.



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