THE LANE FAMILY

Taking the Name of Jesus to the DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

APRIL/MAY 2016

Dear Pastor and Church Family,

Thank you for your love and support as we begin our deputation journey. We'd like to take a moment to tell you how God is taking care of us. Hillside Baptist Church commissioned us as missionaries to the Dominican Republic Sunday, May 1st. Hillside has been our family all of Teah's Christian life, and I've called Hillside home as well for the past 7 years. God has given us a wonderful Bible-Preaching Pastor, Rev. Cecil Tolbert, and the most loving Church family.

We know we are representing more than ourselves. As Christians, you and I represent Jesus Christ, and we represent our churches to the lost world around us. "Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God" (II Cor. 5:20).

We've had several opportunities to share the gospel in the last two months and God has allowed us to see fruit from our labor and the labor of others. Last month I had the opportunity to preach in Hillside's youth department. A young man named Ryan accepted Jesus as his Savior! Also in the month of April we had the opportunity to share our burden with Mentor Baptist Church. It was a great time of fellowship and a huge encouragement to Teah and I as we start out.

Another blessing is that we were officially recognized as BBFI TEAM missionaries the first week of May. We were blessed to meet many other Christians who have hearts for missions. It was an encouraging week, and we are incredibly grateful to have the help and support of the BBFI as we continue to raise support and obey God's call.

We are excited to share that God has given us a son, Ezra James Lane. Lord willing, he will be born the first week of September. God is growing our family and growing our faith. We've learned that our baby

PLEASE PRAY WITH US:

- For a healthy pregnancy and baby
- For God's protection and provision as we travel
- That God would already be softening the hearts of those we will meet in the D.R.
- For our partnering Churches & the BBFI
- For our lost family members
- For witnessing opportunities as we are on the road
- For Ryan's growth in the Lord

boy has Gastroschisis; his intestines are on the outside of his body. Ezra will need surgery when he is born. We're so thankful God is in control. The day we found out, God brought this song to our minds: "Many things about tomorrow, I don't seem to understand, but I know who holds tomorrow, and I know who holds my hand." The Holy Spirit has been comforting us. We also praise God for surrounding us with loved ones who are praying with us for our little one. Would you please keep baby Ezra in your prayers?

Also this month, Teah completed the 3 year Faith Bible Institute program and will enroll in Missions classes online through Louisiana Baptist University to complete her schooling requirement for BBFI Career Missions. We believe God has called us to serve Him in the Dominican Republic, not just for the 2 years we will be working with Veteran Missionaries Wes and Melina Lane, but long term. The TEAM program will help us learn, prepare, and grow so that we can return to the DR as soon as possible as Career Missionaries. If

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you would like to schedule us for a meeting at your church, please feel free to contact us.

In Christ,

Joshua & Teah



