CDEM’s Beginnings

Christian Dominican Evangelistic Mission was established in 1999 by Alberto and Lynette Rivas. Their mission work began in Santiago, but God soon called them to the village of Monte Cristi near the Haitian border because there were no Christian churches in that area. At first, they commuted back and forth to Monte Cristi on weekends leading Bible studies, Sunday School and eventually church services. In July of 2002, Alberto and his family relocated to Monte Cristi. Despite Lynette’s sudden death from a heart condition in 2003, Alberto has continued their mission work. His vision is to plant churches in the nearby villages so even more people can hear the good news of Jesus Christ.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The possibilities for mission work in Monte Cristi and the surrounding areas are unlimited. We need your help to continue spreading the good news of Jesus to the Dominican and Haitian people of this area. For more information about how you can make a difference, contact Valarie Peterson.

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Reaching Monte Cristi and the surrounding areas with the saving message of Jesus Christ.
WHO WE ARE

Alberto Rivas leads the CDEM team. He is father to Abigail and Jonathan.

Sandy and Valerie Lamm joined our team in June 2008.

A great team of Dominican pastors and workers help with preaching, evangelism, music, teaching, youth and children’s ministry along with other ministry needs.

WHAT WE DO

• **Plant churches in the Monte Cristi area**
  
  2001 - Monte Cristi  
  2004 - Madre  
  2008 - Buenos Aires

• **Evangelize**
  
  We reach out to the community through regular door-to-door Bible studies and free English classes that use the Bible as the textbook.

• **Meet needs**
  
  We were able to provide food for over 500 families following the devastating floods in 2007. We also help with other needs in the community as they arise.

• **Minister through sports**
  
  We form relationships through baseball, softball, soccer, basketball and volleyball. In many cases, this has provided an open door for the gospel.

• **Harvest souls for God’s kingdom**
  
  Our ultimate goal!

WHAT’S COMING

Community Health Evangelism

Sandy and Valerie are preparing to begin an outreach to the community through Community Health Evangelism. They will help people both physically and spiritually through education programs regarding preventable diseases. They will also be sharing the Gospel message with those they teach.

School

The Buenos Aires church and our baseball field are located in a very poor neighborhood. Most of the children are unable to attend school because their parents cannot afford the transportation. Alberto’s dream is to start a school next to the ballfield that not only teaches these children to read but will teach them about Jesus. The government of Monte Cristi has donated land for this purpose.