

PIERRE



Ketly & Vital Pierre

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

LANGUAGE

Spanish

MINISTRY PRIORITIES

Discipleship,
Evangelism,
Short-Term Mission
Engagement

BIRTHDAYS

Ketly 9/1
Vital 6/15



LOCATION

Dominican Republic



ABOUT



KETLY and VITAL work with the Alliance of Baptist Churches within the Haitian community of the Dominican Republic. They strengthen, encourage, and plant new churches, as well as disciple new and existing members. Through Vision Integral Community Center, which they envisioned, built, and continue to direct, they provide

services to La Romana, especially the Haitian immigrants. They also teach pastors and leaders of local congregations how to start and build up a broad range of outreach ministries in their communities. Additionally, they serve as a link, matching volunteer groups from the US and Puerto Rico with churches and ministries on the East Coast of the Dominican Republic. Finally, they aim to promote cross-cultural ministry from the Dominican Republic to the world.



MINISTRY STORY

Because of La Romana's growing Haitian population and their vast needs, we had the vision to start a Community Center in 2019. The Alliance of Baptist Churches in La Romana, alongside whom we serve, are carrying each other's burdens through intentional hospitality. We ask you to imagine two young women, Monique and Michaëlle. We had built a strong relationship with them through a discipleship class. In 2020, many people were coming to their houses who had been going days without food due to COVID. God moved them to compassion to see how the Center could help. Soon, we were able to find funding, which enabled them to shop for and distribute food even until today—the first food bank in La Romana. Today Monique and Michaëlle are missionaries and are leading a new work. The first week they went out to evangelize, they found a family who during quarantine had received food from the Community Center. This was the only source of help that came to them. When Monique and Michaëlle invited this family to receive Christ, they said: "How can we not accept Jesus? He is the only one who provided for us during this difficult time." God is adding every day those who are to be saved. God's glory has surprised us in our midst! God took the faith and compassion of two women and multiplied that to feed a whole community, not only physically, but also spiritually.



Michaëlle at the Center packaging rice for food distribution.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for funding to continue the food distribution as an ongoing food pantry.

Pray for the continued discipling of believers, preparing many for full-time ministry.

Pray for the ongoing need for work teams.

Pray for donors to help children and young adults with their school and university fees.

Pray for funds to help with the purchase of land for the new churches which are being planted.

SCRIPTURE

"I lift up my eyes toward the mountains. Where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth."

Psalm 121:1-2 (NIV)