

The Situation:

The migration of Haitian people to the Dominican Republic began in 1920 when the government hired Haitian workers to work on plantations in the Dominican Republic. Many of these workers and their families, in search of a better life, ended up remaining in the country. Because they were not able to receive the necessary legal documentation, they became illegal immigrants, a status that has been passed down to their children, and their children's children.

As illegal immigrants, they are stuck, unable to return to Haiti, and yet unable to live and work legally in the Dominican Republic. Families are unable to access medical services, parents are not able to work normal jobs, and their children are unable to access education. All of these factors together combine to keep the Haitian population of the Dominican Republic living in poverty.



Project Description:

Joy Foundation, in partnership with a local church, runs a school for Haitian children who are from families of illegal migrants living in the Dominican Republic. This ministry seeks to create opportunities for children to connect with God and receive a quality education, enabling them to have a better future with hope found in Jesus.

Project Goals:

- To fully and positively impact the community of Puerto Plata through helping children develop into capable leaders who contribute to changing the perception of the Haitian community living in the Dominican Republic.
- To provide quality education to Haitian children that will help them to break out of the cycle of poverty in which they and their families live.
- To provide nutritious meals for each child while they are at school.
- To expand kindergarten programs to include at-risk Dominican children with the goal of helping to integrate the Haitian and Dominican communities.



Ministry Facts:

- Joy Foundation is located in Puerto Plata, Dominican Republic.
- The ministry was founded in 2015 as a means to invest intellectually and spiritually in the lives of children.
- In 2021, a food program was launched to provide food to those children who were attending school, along with their families.



Sponsoring a Child with Joy Foundation

- \$35 per month to sponsor a child.
- Sponsorship donations are used to cover the child's tuition, food, school supplies, and medications.
- FAIR is seeking to find sponsors for the children who need it the most.
- Sponsorship funds are pooled at the Fellowship office in an account designated for Joy Foundation which allows FAIR to provide a stable monthly amount that ensures their budgeted operational expenses are consistently covered.
- The director of Joy Foundation is Fellowship International missionary, Helene Hwang.

FAIR Commits to Each Sponsor to:

- Link the sponsor with a specific child for prayer and encouragement reserving the right to make a change if, for whatever reason, the child should leave Joy Foundation.
- Provide a photo of that child which will be updated approximately every year.
- Invest all donations with Joy Foundation ministry less 15% which covers the administrative costs of the project.
- Supervise/Monitor the project alongside Helene Hwang.

Joy Foundation — DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

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**Child
Sponsorship**

I've prayerfully decided that I want to partner with FAIR through the Joy Foundation in Dominican Republic.

(If you have access to the internet we would encourage you to visit our website to complete the online form to become a monthly child sponsor.) fellowship.ca/Sponsor

- I am committed to \$_____ (a minimum of \$35/mth per child is suggested) as I become a monthly sponsor of Joy Foundation.
- Please send me information about FAIR's Pre-Authorized Chequing Plan.
- Please put my reoccurring monthly donation of \$_____ onto my credit card



Credit card details:

VISA MasterCard Card number: _____ Expiry date: ____/____
Name on card: _____ Signature: _____

Receipting details

Name: _____ Address: _____
City/Province/Code: _____
Email: _____ Ph. (____) _____

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