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Hi!! Luis here writing our newsletter this time. First, I want to thank you personally for your faithful support contributions to us for many years. Without you we could not be in full-time ministry. You have also been with us in encouragement and support when we have had to face trials with health, and I am sure there will be many other challenges we will need to be ready for.

It has been a pleasure to be in full-time ministry with my wife, Julie, working along side with her. Unlike me, who worked for many years in secular work, she is the veteran missionary who has been with Cru (CCC) for 47 years, ever since she graduated from college. I depend on her tremendously to support me in our ministry. We are almost always together as a couple. In a way, she is the one who has oriented and trained me in ministry, and I feel I have caught on fast. I always longed to work in some sort of ministry, but needed to continue in secular work to live in New York. I think we make a good team together!

Our ministry began with my former trainers and coaches when I was a professional baseball player. We live in the central part of the country, not on the coast, where the tourism has exploded. However, our town is a big baseball town. Now that we have been there seven years, our pastor has introduced us to officials in positions of high authority. We have developed relationships with them and we pray with them and share the Gospel, as appropriate. Some have come to Christ. We are anxious especially to return to our ministry in the prisons. Now our ministry has expanded to other baseball towns throughout our province, as well as other areas of society. We pray for more laborers, as the harvest is ripe.

As you know, my wife has been very sick with her health-cancer. We are in Corpus Christi where she continues to undergo chemotherapy. Unfortunately, she has had many side effects from this treatment, along with some of the medications she is taking. I will return to the Dominican Republic in January to pay bills, recompense the people taking care of our house, and look after our home.

This is the time of year that we participate with you, our ministry partners, with our financial needs for the coming year. This unexpected interruption to our work has caused many unforeseen expenses. We are eager to return to the Dominican Republic to continue our ministry where we left off, although it is going well and in good hands. Below is a list of some of our financial needs for now and the coming year:

- Car rental for several months: \$824 per month
- Hotel costs
- Occasional eating out
- Medical bills, medicine, exams, seeing various doctors for this and that. Although we have good medical insurance with Cru, it does not cover all.
- Transportation between various cities in Texas
- Flights between Texas and the Dominican Republic
- Our ongoing ministry projects

We are deeply grateful for the generosity you have shown to us during these past difficult months. May the Lord return to you double fold for all the ways you have encouraged us and for your prayers for us.

We thank you in advance for whatever help you can extend to us. My wife says that as soon as her energy returns, she plans to communicate with you personally.

Happy Thanksgiving, and may you have a Merry Christmas, too. May this new decade be one of blessing and unexpected surprises for you and your family.

LOVE, LUIS & JULIE

