

Vision for Pastors

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The Church in Cuba has been growing despite restrictions and limitations. I can see the strategy that most pastors use: they present the Gospel of Christ with their lives. They work hard for even one soul, they extend their friendship and a helping hand to those who do not know Christ in order to show them the love of God. Even in their need they share the little they have. This has touched my heart. They don't miss the opportunity to serve in the community by painting schools, building benches for the bus stops, clearing the streets of trash and serving people in general for the only purpose of seeking a small opportunity to share Christ and gain souls for Him.

In this time of pandemic many people are desperate. They have to choose between buying laundry detergent or toothpaste or buying food because the economic resources they have are insufficient. Pastors have said they see all of this as an opportunity to help people in their needs and show God's love through this help. They thank God for the support they receive through Vision Beyond Borders' Vision for Pastors program. They are deeply grateful for the resources that come to them because in this time of need they have been able to bless others with food, clothing, and financial support.

Pastors in this time of confinement have redoubled efforts to continue visiting people house by house and sharing the Good News. One of my contacts told me that before the churches closed because of the pandemic, 15 people attended her cell group. In July the government authorized churches to open for 4 weeks and in the first meeting 28 people attended, Glory to God!

Unfortunately the churches were closed again but the Gospel continues to be preached and many of the pastors comment that the people in Cuba are very receptive to hearing from Christ and that many people have already given their lives to God. They are only waiting for the churches to be able to reopen to gather. Let's keep them in our prayers so that during this difficult time they are facing their faith will not fail, for new strategies for this time of confinement so that the Gospel continues to reach souls and for financial provision to help others and undertake projects to save souls.

Colossians 3:16

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.