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REBUILD. RESTORE.





ANCIENT PATH MINISTRIES

REFLECTIONS SUMMER-FALL 2022

TREMENDOUS SEASONS IN A DIFFICULT TIME



ECONOMICS

- Scarcity. The most basic necessities (food, personal care, fuel) are in very short supply.
- Inflation. The average person earns less than \$100 monthly, Consider these examples:
 - 64 oz olive oil \$55

\$14

- 1 lb ham
- 1 gallon diesel \$ 6

ENERGY

- Petroleum. Allied nations which previous supplied oil have fallen on hard times, as well.
 - This was compounded by a lightning induced explosions and fire which destroyed half of Cuba's largest crude oil storage facility in early August, thus worsening ongoing...



BLACKOUTS

- For most of 2022, Cubans have suffered through extended (to 12 hrs+) daily outages.
 - The root cause is out dated, neglected, crumbling electrical infrastructure. No end is in sight,

UNREST

- After the July 2021 protests, the Cuban government responded with a heavy hand and long prison sentences.
- As Cubans suffer heat, hunger, and go without electricity, the powerful build 5 star hotels for tourists. This has led to months of lower scale manifestations known as "cacerolazos". It's like banging pots/pans on New Years, but with no celebration
 All this combined has led to...
- In the first 9 mos. of 2022, 250,000+ desperate Cubans have fled homeland and loved ones in search of a better reality, the largest mass exit in the nation's history.

It's tough to even know where to start this update. As reported in the 1st Q Reflections & 2022 Partnership Vision, 2022 got off to a flying start and things have not slowed down a bit. The late Spring, Summer & Fall seasons have seen incredible works of the Spirit and ministry done by the move of God's hand even as the nation of Cubans struggling through some of the worst upheaval in recent history. I think we will just list a few items to set the context.



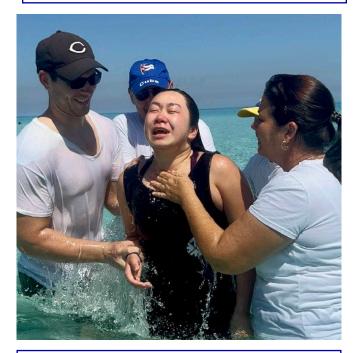


WHEN WE LAST LEFT YOU

Though you've seen our 2022 Partnership Vision Update, this our 1st general ministry update since early spring. Well, things just kept running from there.

In April, a special ministry was reconnected to La Senda. 30 Pastors studied New Testament & Church History through our relationship to CODEX Ministries, who provide free graduate level seminary training for local missionaries and pastors from all around the region. They returned for a 2nd week in October, this time teaching 60 of local Pastors.





Beginning early in the year and continuing all spring and summer long, the ministry leadership teams of La Senda Antigua have been on the road all over central Cuba. They travel for training and are in demand in many locations as worship leaders, preachers, and trainers.

In summer La Senda Antigua hosted a Youth Conference for over 300 young people from a 4 province region. This was followed in quick succession by a 2.5 day Kid's Camp and then a Women's Conference in Santa Clara, and then back home for a Men's Conference. All this while maintaining a vibrant mission ministry. In May, we welcomed new partners from H2O Church at the University of Cincinnati. During their visit, we loaded up busses and trucks and headed for the coast, where H2O Pastor Grant Rohlfer assisted Pastora Yami and our team in baptizing nearly 50 members of La Senda Antigua.

Baptisms from our mission and church sites continued throughout the summer. Large groups from our churches in Coliseo and Hoyo Colorado also made public declaration of their faith in the ocean at Varadero. The Lord is moving in Cuba!



THE POWER OF THE SPIRIT THROUGH THE WORK OF THE PEOPLE

As we look ahead to the last months of 2022 and on into 2023 and beyond, despite the daily struggles and real sufferings, we see a bright future. Thew hand of the Lord remains on this work, in which all of us play a part. Your prayers, financial and connectional support, and your faithful love for us help make it all possible. Here are a few more images of this Summer & early Fall. Blessings!!!



PARTNERSHIP ON THE ANCIENT PATH

We are working to meet a whole bunch of new friends by the end of 2023. Everyone knows someone. You know people we don't. We need you to connect us to others who share the vision of expanding the reach of the Gospel. Connecting is easy. Share connections with Pastor Kevin Jobe using any of the means listed below. He will take it from there.



Pastor Kevin Jobe travels regionally or online to share work God is doing through the people of La Senda Antigua. Contact us to set up a visit. kevinandtonni@ancientpathministries.org 419-944-9238

CONNECT US TO FRIENDS IN CHRIST

Talk to them. Ask if Pastor Kevin can contact them. Kevin does the rest. If you prefer, bring your friend to us in person.

HOST OR JOIN US FOR A CAFÉ CUBANO

Time in someone's home to relax and share vision and explain how to partner with us in Kingdom building. Guests committed to about 90 minutes, hosts 2-3 hours. We bring coffee, dessert, and a compelling story.

HOST @ CHURCH, CLUB, OR BUSINESS

We tailor to various spaces/group sizes Worship, Meal, Mission, or Customized Gathering

PRAY FOR THE MINISTRY

This is the most crucial thing you can do to play your part in every moment.

PRAY FOR ANCIENT PATH LA SENDA ANTIGUA IN 2023 AND BEYOND.

Pastora Yami, Pastor Kevin & Tonni, our leadership and servant ministry team, that we be faithful in and well equipped for the ministry ahead.

Cuba in time of great economic and civil crisis, and the complex US-Cuba political relationship.

Ask the Lord of the harvest to send workers into the field. He will show you what to do next.



ON THE PATH WITH US. COVENANT FINANCIAL PARTNERS.

Our financial strategy is simple. From the day one, God has built all aspects of this work on personal relationships. He will grow us for His splendor in the same manner. A firm financial foundation is crucial. We have laid out the vision as a simple equation.



Covenant partnerships equivalent to regular gifts of 100 @\$100 mo, 20 @\$250mo, and 20 @\$500 mo will allow the people of Ancient Path/La Senda Antigua to carry the mission for the foreseeable future. 140 or so people can CHANGE THE WORLD.

HOW TO GIVE

Online giving through partners at Four Corners Community Church of West Chester, OH

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https://ancientpathministries.org/onlinegiving Follow prompts to Four Corners giving site Select Ancient Path Ministries Fund. Recurring gift.

<u>TEXT TO GIVE</u> through Four Corners Church Text KEYWORDS to 513-806-2724 Click link. Select Ancient Path Ministries Fund

BANK/IRA/DAF/PERSONAL OR BUSINESS CHECKS Set recurring or 1-time gift through bank bill pay to Ancient Path Ministries 10889 Lake Thames Dr. Cincinnati, OH, 45242

Send Money with Zelle®

Scan in your banking app to pay.

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ZELLE Note should NOT contain the word Cuba. Leave note blank or indicate APM contribution. Monthly Covenant Partnership Support GoalsGoal December 31, 2023\$21,600Goal December 31, 2022\$15,000 (70%)Actual October 31, 2022\$ 9,761 (45.2%)







YOUR FAITHFUL SUPPORT ENABLES A GREAT TEAM OF KINGDOM WORKERS AND THE PROJECTS WHICH WE UNDERTAKE TO EXPAND THE REACH OF THE GOSPEL.

Meeting our goal will make sure the work continues!

All gifts to Ancient Path Ministries (501c3) are tax-deductible as allowed by law.

STAYING CONNECTED

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3 seasons of our podcast, The Word From The Ancient Path are currently streaming. Each 17-20 minute episode is available in English and Spanish.

We share sermons from our pastors and stories of God's work in the people of the ancient path.

It's on all major streaming platforms and is a great way to connect over a cup of coffee or on your commute.

TRAVEL TO CUBA WITH ANCIENT PATH

Open flights. No vaccine requirement. No masks. Unveiled faces on a mission.

2023 Teams Forming March May July Sept Nov

+/- \$400 of your short-term mission team fees are applied to ministry beyond the cost of the trip. Your participation helps to continue the work.



2023 Mission Trip Cost \$2250 All-inclusive

Training/Materials/Guides Flights/Baggage Visas Lodging/Transport/Translators In Country Meals Flight/Medical Insurance



Get Ready for a Kingdom-sized Adventure! <u>It's unlike any mission trip you have known</u> The Gospel is extending to the ends of the earth and you can be a part of bringing the Good News.

Make personal connection in prayer, fellowship, encouragement, and Kingdom work.

Forge relationships with lasting potential. See God's Kingdom growing in amazing people and places.

APM will train and care you you as we prepare and travel, helping you use your gifts to serve.



ANCIENT PATH STAFF/BOARD

Our staff is growing! We train up and send out more workers into the field each month. Missionaries, pastors, administrators, and board members do a great deal of Kingdom detail. While our US-based Board members are volunteers, Pastor Kevin & Tonni Jobe, Pastora Yami Cruz, and Cuba-based staff are housed, fed & watered by your faithful partnership. Your support is vital to the mission.



Kevin, Ionni & Yam Luis & Maria Ester Sandra & Reynol Linda Ana Ibis & Omar

Ricardo & Yacky Osmany & Yaimelkis Jennifer & Kyle Tony & Idania Michael Ivis & Leonardo Lisuany & Ange Cheryl (Concha) Altinay & Ariel Papito & Loralia Orlinda & Osvaldo Dany y Nersys Laura & Brad Eduardo & Ana Lidia

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