



# The MARINERS

CHURCH PLANTERS IN SURINAME

Dear Praying Friends,

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RETURN TO SURINAME

Thank you for praying for our return to Suriname. God gave us safe travels, protected our home during our absence, and provided faithful men to fill the pulpit while we were away. We are thankful to be back and excited for another season of ministry.

## KID'S BIBLE CLUB RESUMED

After a four-month break, we restarted our neighborhood Kids Bible Club just one week after returning. We were encouraged to see 15 children attend the very first week, and attendance has continued to grow with many new visitors.

We have launched a summer challenge that rewards attendance, Scripture memory, bringing a Bible, and inviting friends. Pray that God will use these efforts to reach new children and their families with the gospel.



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## SPANISH MINISTRY

We have begun offering live Spanish translation during our church services through wireless headsets. Several men in our church have taken on the challenging task of simultaneous interpretation so that Spanish speakers can hear God's Word in their own language. This ministry is still new, and live translation requires considerable concentration and practice. Please pray for these men as they grow in this skill and remain faithful in their service.

Beyond translation, we are seeking to build meaningful relationships within the Spanish-speaking community. Recently, a Cuban couple in our church taught us how to make Arroz con Leche, a traditional Cuban dessert, for a church fellowship. Moments like these help bridge cultural barriers and create opportunities to show the love of Christ. We trust God will use these efforts to help us reach more Spanish-speaking people with the gospel.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

- God's blessing on our ministry as we begin this new season in Suriname
- Salvation of children and families reached through our Bible Club.
- Open doors among the Spanish-speaking community.
- Wisdom and faithfulness for our volunteer translators.
- Spiritual growth and discipleship opportunities for new visitors.

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