



Your gift may be the answer to someone's prayers!

## Thank You for Providing Nutrition to Hungry Children & Families

There has been a very tough year for the entire Cuban economy because of the pandemic. Believe it or not, **you have saved many kids, seniors, families and pastors in Cuba, from starvation!** Your support has helped children in the regions of Camaguey, Palma Soriano and Holguin.

Shortages and scarcity are racing ahead in Cuba. You can wait in line for six hours and even then, there isn't a guarantee that you'd be able to buy the food you were looking for. Every time our pastor friends go out to deliver a bag of food, we pray for divine protection. Working in ministry in Cuba often means a lack of financial income, and this means that Pastoral families may not have much to eat for weeks to come. During the pandemic, our partners in Cuba: Carlos and Rosa, and Jorge and Sandra, were on the front line (and still are) working hard and intensively, bringing hope and life-saving supplies to those in need.

Thank you for your continued support towards providing essential supplies including food and water, to those who are in dire need. YOU play an important role in being the hands and feet of Jesus to bring hope and love to these people.



### HOPE IN SANTA ISABEL

The AG church in Santa Isabel is located in a rural area with an approximate population of 350 inhabitants.



Among the children and adolescents, we have 3 orphans. A fatherless teenager makes a living outside his school, by making charcoal to cover the costs of his education and to help with the expenses of his caretakers. With the help of donors, Pastor Carlos Ponce, was able to support him with two pairs of shoes, a school bag, a belt, various items of clothing, and a sum of \$470 for other expenses.

### Food Security Issues



The economic situation is very dire, and people have to work extra hard to make ends meet. The epidemiological situation in the country has improved considerably, although people still get sick from Covid. There is a shortage of clothing, footwear and personal hygiene items, which can only be bought by those

who have foreign currencies such as dollars, Euros, etc. Those with low incomes barely have two meals a day. The government guarantees some food at low prices that is barely enough for 15 days of the month. Meagre salaries do not allow the purchase of necessary food, which is mainly sold on the black market at exorbitant prices.



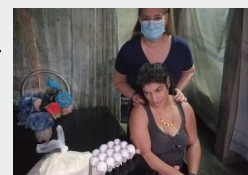
## The Last Few Months in Cuba

### PALMA SORIANO

With your support, Jorge and Sandra continue to encourage the community with monthly evangelization activities:

- **Visits to Country Churches:** They minister to the children through activities and community meals. Food is prepped, cooked on-site, and served fresh to the children in little boxes, along with a beverage.
- **Kids Club:** Kids come together to worship, pray, and gather to enjoy hearty meals. *Watch the Video!!* <https://bit.ly/3wyc94t>
- **Pastor Support:** Jorge and Sandra meet every month with pastors; they organize a group meeting and deliver basic necessities to the pastors. Financial assistance is provided to the pastors, who use this money to feed their families and serve their own churches.
- **Children's Ministry:** Around 80 to 100 children attend the children's group every Sunday at Jorge and Sandra's church. The impact on the children is priceless, but expenses have doubled due to the pandemic.
- **Evangelistic Support:** Jorge supports 20 evangelizes with evangelistic material and training, meeting with them every week.

*Jorge watches out for the lowest prices on food so it takes a week at a time for him to collect all the required supplies. He then packs and delivers food bags in a very old cart.*



**YOU ARE SHOWING THE LOVE OF CHRIST TO THE LITTLE ONES!**  
Jorge and Sandra prepare and serve fresh hot meals to 94 children at a Kids Club held in January this year.

### CAMAGUEY

*"We give thanks to God for this blessing that has come to the church through the ministry of ImpactHope, we thank the Lord and we bless you brothers for this." - Pastor Ruben*



- With the help of generous donors, Carlos and Rosa have been supporting families and children, especially pastors.
- Pastors, indeed our front-line spiritual workers - who rely solely on church offerings to feed their families and put a roof over their heads, are without income. They often also struggle with regional conflicts, persecution, and a lack of medical systems or government support. The financial assistance provided by ImpactHope to pastors has safeguarded their families from going hungry.
- The couple continues to run their special kids program targeting poor kids in different churches in the city, all around Camaguey.
- Procuring the food can be challenging, but they manage to prepare and distribute food bags to those in need.



People being blessed with food and supplies at a country church.



Blessing seniors and the vulnerable with precious food bags and supplies.

*Watch the Video on our channel here!*

<https://youtu.be/BpS7jryH8ig>



### Praise & Prayer Points

- Prayers are needed for Jorge's full recovery as he still has issues and pain in his lungs.
- Prayers for the protection of our workers so that they don't get caught with the bags of food when they go to make deliveries and visits.
- Praise for the many souls who are being turned on to the Lord, despite the persecution and hardships faced by our faithful partners in Cuba.



### Funding Needs

- Food, medicine, and even basic supplies are expensive. Most products are available only on the black market, but this is not affordable to the commoner. Your support and blessings are vital to providing FOOD and BASIC supplies to the most vulnerable in Cuba.
- Your SUPPORT and PERSONAL PARTICIPATION can encourage and bring hope to **Pastors and their families.**
- All donations can be made at <https://bit.ly/3yOGEpB>

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