

meet ROBIN SWEITZER



DOMINICAN REPUBLIC



her story

Robin was raised in New Castle, PA and has attended The Bible Chapel since 2008. The Lord had been drawing Robin into ministry with orphans and vulnerable children for many years. This passion was kindled during a college internship at an orphanage in Romania in 1997. Robin has degrees in Bible and Missions and a Master's degree in Applied Developmental Psychology. She was a leader in The Bible Chapel's Foster and Adoption Ministry and worked full-time with young children with developmental delays. She also traveled internationally on many occasions to support the work of children's ministries in various countries.

Starting in January 2017, Robin served for two years in Kenya with Kids Alive International, a missions agency dedicated to rescuing orphaned and abandoned children in the name of Christ. She has now committed to career service with KAI in the Dominican Republic. Robin will be serving at Kids Alive's Palo Blanco school in Jarabacoa where she will assist with the implementation of a Trauma-Informed Care Program to train the staff on how to care for children with traumatic pasts. She will also be involved in youth Bible studies, mentoring Junior High girls along with other responsibilities. Robin's goal is to offer the hope of Christ to children coming from difficult situations and empower the staff to be the hands and feet of Christ to hurting children.

prayer requests

Robin praises God that she has finished the first of at least five Spanish books she needs to complete to reach competency in school.

Robin is thankful that she was finally able to spend some time with Kids Alive colleagues there in Guatemala. It is difficult as they are very busy with work and she doesn't have a car to just "pick up and go" visit them.

Robin has been in Antigua, Guatemala for three weeks studying Spanish in preparation for service in the Dominican Republic with Kids Alive. Antigua is a beautiful town with a lot of Spanish colonial architecture surrounded by mountains and volcanoes. It is very touristy, and actually very safe. She is staying with a Guatemalan host family assigned by the school. So it's typically "all Spanish, all the time" except for Sundays when she gives herself a break by going to an English church service and watching the Steelers at a mostly English-speaking restaurant. Pray for Robin to be encouraged in her language study and that she will master the language quickly.

Pray for the remainder of her one-time outgoing expenses to come in. She has \$9,000 of the \$25,000 she needs. Robin is trusting God to provide the rest by March for housing set-up and the cost of a vehicle.

Please pray for opportunities for Robin to pursue friendships with other students or local Guatemalans. She is often on her own and is struggling with loneliness. May this drive her more into the arms of her Savior.

Robin asks us to pray for sweeter and closer fellowship with Christ. May He be her sufficiency, friend, husband and encourager.