

# CUBA Ministry

Melones, CUBA

November 18-21, 2018

## Mission Team



**Fikirtemariam Mengistie**  
Executive Director of Missions

**Amy Winslow**  
Director of Missions

**Luky Nova**  
Interpreter

**Patrick Ziegler**  
Construction Consultant

## Meet the Family



**Ramon Otamendi Castillo**  
Pastor – Birthday August 25

**Yanaris Sanchez Vincent**  
Birthday, October 27

**Maday Otamendi Castillo,**  
Birthday, February 13 - Age 3

**Gerson Otamendi Castillo**  
Birthday, August 14 - Age 2

## Missionary Deymi



**Deymi Cruz Moreno**  
Accepted God 17 years ago and committed her life to Christ as a Missionary in Melones 15 years ago. (read more on page 2)

## You are invited to A Taste of CUBA!

Save the date: January 13<sup>th</sup> ( pg. 2)

# Welcome

## Pastor Ramon and Family



Yanaris (wife), Pastor Ramon and Luky Nova

# BIG Dreams

Pastor Ramon has BIG dreams for his church, the congregation and the community in Melones. As the congregation grows, the cost of programming is a concern. Yanaris hopes to expand the VBS for children from 1 day to 3 days over the summer. They hope to provide lunch to their congregation at least once a month. They are also looking at several businesses such as raising pigs and doing nails to employ members of the congregation to fund these projects.



# Building the Church

Plans for construction of the new church building have been under way for several years. Pastors Rafael and Israel before Ramon had the vision of this new place of worship.

The current building can hold about 40 worshippers but the church is growing and will very soon out-grow the space. The thatched roof has holes in it and leaks when it rains. It is clear that this congregation needs a new home.

The new building will triple the seating capacity of the current church. There will be an office, meeting room and bathroom. Ramon said they will also use the two extra rooms to house visitors when they come to visit.

Pastor Ramon held a healing service this year and 170 people attended the service. As a result of that service, 27 people dedicated their lives to Christ and Pastor Ramon is mentoring their spiritual growth through bible study.

In addition to his duties at the church, Pastor Ramon acts as missionary to the El Cerro and Las Minas missions.

## Pray for Our Sister Church

Join us in remembering our brothers and sisters in Cuba as they grow in their faith and commitment to Christ.

We ask for special blessings for Pastor Ramon, Yanaris, Maday and Gerson as they open their hearts and doors to the community.

## A Taste of Cuba Fundraiser

Pastor Ramon is without transportation and walks miles to meet with member of his congregation. You are invited to A Taste of CUBA fundraising dinner!

## Help Us Buy a Motorbike for Pastor Ramon

Cuban Soup, Salad and Bread Dinner

Sunday, January 13

5:30 p.m.

10072 Brandon Circle, Orlando

\$30 per person

RSVP to [st.lukes.org/global](http://st.lukes.org/global)

## MISSIONARY

Deymi Cruz Moreno



## Deymi Profile

Deymi became a missionary because of the transformation she had in her life and wanted that for everyone. She has committed her life 100% to Christ and is ready to help the church in any way.

Deymi works at the El Cerro mission where she teaches a disciple class on Tuesdays and preaches on Thursdays. The rest of her time is spent with Ramon's ministry where she helps him lead worship in prayer and song as well as with general day-to-day work around the property including taking care of the pastor's children, cleaning the church, and cooking. Her greatest love is preaching.

Deymi and her husband live next door to Ramon and Yanaris. She worships with her mom, Rene, daughters Gretel and Susanna. She loves her two grandsons, Gretel's boys Jeymi and Josua.