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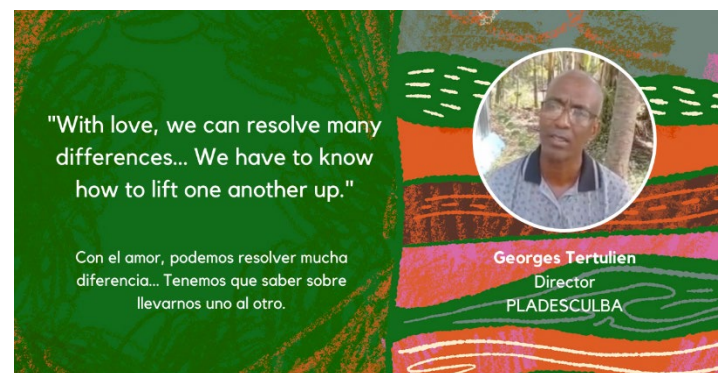
Podcast is live!



Rayjon's episode of Tapestry 2030 Season 2: Dominicans Driving the Vehicle of Change is now live and **available in both English & Español!** Listen [here](#) or download it anywhere podcasts are found.

Listen to our Dominican partners share their thoughts on the power of local leadership in overcoming great obstacles.

This beautiful conversation is part of the complete Tapestry 2030 podcast series with the [Ontario Council for International Cooperation](#).





The Ripple Effect

Nurse Bénicie's advocacy for her rural village continues to create amazing changes. Her small clinic now has 24/7 access to electricity!

Empowered Nurses, Expanded Care

Nurse Bénicie has done amazing things in the village of Barbe, Haiti. When the Covid-19 pandemic first began she advocated for support for the small clinic and dispensary where she is the head nurse. They needed supplies and PPE to protect themselves. The cost of medicines was rising and care for pregnant women was especially dire. The clinic needed more space to receive and treat patients. And they had to find some way of educating their rural community about the coronavirus – and how to prevent it.

As a partner, Rayjon came alongside Bénicie and her team. We submitted a grant request to our friends at **PWRDF**, who fast-tracked the funding into motion. You may remember reading our earlier update about the outcomes of this specific project: newly constructed patient rooms, two new gynaecology exam tables, essential medications made available. And perhaps best of all, Nurse Bénicie and her team used a flatbed truck outfitted with loudspeakers to reach some of the most remote communities with reliable information about how to slow the spread of Covid-19.

Well guess what? The ripple effect continues. The collective impact of that early 2020 project goes on. As Bénicie's leadership grew and the community saw the enhanced care and growth of their little clinic, other partners also saw the progress and valued their work even more. Bénicie kept advocating, and UNICEF agreed to donate a new solar system to provide a constant source of electricity to the clinic! With a little extra support from Rayjon (to cover the cost of hiring a local technician to install the panels), the clinic now has 24/7 power!

[This little video](#) gives a short tour of the new system and the Barbe clinic. Wow!



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More Updates You Won't Want to Miss

- Many thanks to everyone who supported "**Soup's On for Rayjon**" March 26-27. Together we raised over \$3,800 to support community development in the rural St. Marc area of Haiti. What a special way to honour the life of Maggy Barnfield. Special thanks to the amazing crew of volunteer organizers and soup-makers who put it all together.
- **DeGroot's - Rayjon Annual Plant Sale** returns for our 14th year! May 26, 27, 28th at DeGroot's Nurseries on London Line in Sarnia. Can you say, "Dipladenias"? Watch for your postcard in the mail.



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Plant Sale Returns!**

Thank you. Gracias. Mèsi.

To our many supporters, we must say again a tremendous thank you.

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