Mutual Mission Cuba Partnership and JEMM Diane Watkins and Bob Bell, Co-chairs

Please remember, in prayer, our Cuban Partners and Jamaica Ecumenical Mutual Mission (JEMM) as they help serve their people in this pandemic.

CUBA PARTNERSHIP

The following is an email [English translation] from our brothers and sisters in Cuba (shared by Diane Watkins):

Presbytery of Matanzas, January 25, 2021

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ. Receive our greetings and our wish that God continue to bless you on the path to the fullness of the Kingdom.

In these days we have been accompanying in our prayers in a particular way the people of the United States, in the midst of situations of tension never before experienced. The historical bonds that unite our peoples, our Churches and our Presbyteries are more than enough reasons to affirm the same feeling in the midst of joys and sorrows, of achievements and challenges. That is why we look forward to the times ahead, and we thank God for the lights that already illuminate the present. Beyond the crises and the pandemic, the power of God prevails in history and declares that peace and justice transcend human limitations.

We join you in prayer in this new moment that your nation is living, and we pray to God that the ways to strengthen the bridges of love and solidarity that already exist between our Presbyteries, may be strengthened.

May God's blessing accompany us to continue building together his kingdom of love, peace and justice.

Council of the Presbytery of Matanzas

Jamaica Ecumenical Mutual Mission (JEMM) Partnership

St. Augustine Presbytery Mutual Mission is celebrating with our JEMM (Jamaica Ecumenical Mutual Mission) Partners on the occasion of the Dedication of the "Tooth Bus" at the end of February. Because of COVID travel restrictions we will share in the celebration through the gifts of technology and in spirit!

The bus will be used for dental teams serving the underprivileged in Jamaica – providing dentures, prophylactic dentistry and teeth cleanings. The project has been a long journey of transformation, with much of the renovation work done by volunteers from throughout the presbytery. Funding has come from various sources and it was truly a group effort. Read more about the project on our website: https://www.staugpres.org/tooth-bus-update/

We are planning on a dental mission trip later in the year. We will publish details of the trip and call for volunteers as soon as we know it is safe to travel.

Photos of the Renovated Tooth Bus

