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Serving Haitians in Dominican Republic, Florida, and Haiti



My dear ministry partners, June - July 2023

I want to start my July-August Missionary Update by writing the following quote from Psalm 121:1-2 written by the King-Shepherd David, "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth."

Today it is all about Haiti and I want to request your special prayers for Pastor Chrisnel of our church in Croix des Bouquets. Pray for his family and the congregation as they all had to abandon their homes and the town after a killer-gang invaded it. The assembly is no longer meeting. Please pray also for Pastor Moise of the church in Pernier. Most of the assembly fled from the area after a ferocious gang invaded their town. Moise can no longer enter the town without running the risk of being kidnapped or worse. But by God's grace, he and a deacon still minister and preach by phone to a minority of 25 to 28 members. But today I want to share with you the survival story of a third Pastor named Isaac, his wife, their 3 young daughters.

PASTOR ISAAC, HIS FAMILY AND CHURCH: Pastor Isaac is the one who was the most hurt among the 3 pastors. He lost his house with everything inside, the church building, and his small bakery business. Several members of the church were martyred and burnt in broad daylight by the gang members after they invaded and took control of his community called Canaan. Prior to that ordeal Brother Isaac along with other pastors resisted the urge to leave the community, but instead formed a prayer group along with other pastors in Canaan to pray publicly for God to keep those evildoers from invading their community. But God decided otherwise. His way is not our way.

When those heavily armed gang members entered the community, they looked everywhere for Pastor Isaac, but God gave him and his family special protection to escape. Sadly, that was not the case for several other beloved members of the church who were martyred. I had a long



Pastor Isaac & Family Before Their Traumatic Ordeal

phone conversation by WhatsApp with Pastor Isaac to encourage him to keep up the faith. I have been able to help financially as often as I can. All our local pastors in Haiti are alive by God's grace. We remain in contact with all of them, and before the year ends, I am planning to meet them by Zoom along with other Haitian pastors here in Tampa to brainstorm the best strategies to effectively evangelize in Haiti despite the lethal violence and the very high level of kidnappings.

BREAKING NEWS: Kenyan President Ruto urged the United Nations Security Council on Thursday to formally back a security support mission to Haiti, which Kenya has shown a willingness to lead. The council could vote anytime now on a U.S.-drafted resolution supporting a multinational police deployment to help combat violent gangs that have largely overrun the capital Portau-Prince.

PRAYER NEEDS: We humbly request your prayers for the pastors and for God to open the door to pacify Haiti. Marie and I are anxiously and prayerfully looking forward to the opportunity of making several trips to Haiti and the Dominican to oversee the works there. One main focus will be to help replant the two crushed churches in Haiti, although at this time the risk of being kidnapped in Haiti are real and very high. Pray fervently for God to open doors for the multinational force to be deployed in Haiti.

OUR THANKS: Thank you so much for your monthly support and your daily prayers for our ministries.

Your missionaries Based out of Florida to the Haitians in Florida, Dominican Republic, and Haiti,

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(starting furlough in October to visit and report to churches)