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Happy Easter!

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I have put off writing this newsletter praying that Haiti would be safer and I would have good news of returning and even bringing baby Annie here for her surgeries. Instead I have to tell you that Haiti's violence is even greater and no hope of me returning at this time.

Kidnappings, in 2022, increased by 105%. Haiti has long been in turmoil, but over the past few years on every metric.

From territory controlled by gangs, to kidnappings, from homicides, to the number of policemen killed, from social unrest, to economic conditions, the situation has deteriorated.

The gangs use commercial terrorism, sexual violence, massacres, extortion and kidnapping to accumulate power and fund their operation. From February 27th to March 9th at least 187 people were killed and over 150 wounded.

Even in Artibonite, our area, and north of us, violence displaced hundreds of people and forced farmers to abandon fields as starvation worsens. The



situation is all the more alarming for children, who are often subjected to all forms of armed violence, including forced recruitment and sexual violence.

*<Many people are living in tent shacks and fearful the gangs could attack them at anytime.*


*Burning tires, blocking roads and sometimes they start fires in front> of businesses or office buildings.*



Isn't Baby "Annie" beautiful! It was 15 months ago that God blessed me with her.

I'm learning patience and trust as I'm still waiting for another visa appointment after new documents were submitted to the US Embassy. God has to handle that, and He still is on the throne and in control of everything.

The surgeon is still waiting to do her surgeries and his nurse, Elana, just messaged me with a beautiful prayer. I have included it below.

Dear Father,  
Thank you for all the luxuries of food and health care and safety that you have blessed each of us with .  
Please move the mountains in the way of sweet little Annie (pictured above ) and allow for her to get the visa she needs to leave Haiti and come here for the surgeries she needs.  
The conditions in this war torn country have delayed her surgery by well over a year now.  
Thank you that she is growing well and getting adequate nutrition. Thank you for her beautiful life. May she grow to love you and be a tremendous blessing to others.  
In Jesus name. Amen

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Look at this miracle baby!!!!!!!

She can walk now.



<Guiberline, who has been with us since age 7, our oldest girl, is attending Institute of Superior Sciences in Nursing and Physical Therapy.



She will receive a four year degree in nursing. Ever since she was a little girl she has wanted to become a nurse. Last summer I got her a job as a volunteer at a clinic in our town Montrouis and she loved it.

I'm very proud of her. Thanks to all of you that she was able to graduate from a great Christian School and go on to college. I am very happy we were able to help her.

Our children are, and finally were, able to start school in January. They're all happy to return, and hadn't been in school since last June.

God has been providing food even though prices have more than tripled now. Praise God our manager, the kids, and I are able to talk and video call everyday on WhatsApp. That's a huge blessing!!

Please pray for peace in Haiti, and that I may return soon to see my children, and bring baby Annie here.

Also, pray for all the other missionaries that had to leave, and for the thousands of Haitians that had to flee their country for safety.

Thank you for the most important thing, your prayers, and then for your most needed financial support.

As I always our mission couldn't function without all of you.

May we stay centered on Christ in all of our storms, knowing He will give us peace and joy and bless us like never before, if we continue to totally trust in Him.

With love and gratitude,

Ann

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