



FOR UNTO US A CHILD IS BORN. UNTO US A SON IS GIVEN.

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"¹In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ³All things were made by him; ¹⁴And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us."
(John 1: 1, 3, 14)

God the Son, the Word of Creation, came into His creation as a human being, part of a plan made before anything was made. The One Who knew perfect fellowship with the Father and Holy Spirit became a member of a human family and small town society. He knew first hand about bickering, quarrels, misunderstandings and gossip, as well as everyday kindnesses, gentle love, thoughtful acts and friendship. He spoke everything into existence, yet used His physical hands in His work as a carpenter. He was worthy of all the praise of heaven and earth, but probably had customers who complained, since there are those who are dissatisfied even with perfection. He walked our dusty roads and met people where they were with understanding and compassion. Our Lord Jesus Christ truly lived with us and showed the Father to us.

I have been grateful for God's provision of safety for my own travels while in the United States. Those started when I drove from Fort Pierce, Florida, to Greenville, South Carolina, on September 29. In the past two months, I have reported to church families in eastern North Carolina, Florida, eastern Virginia, central Pennsylvania, West Virginia and South Carolina. The visits to the coastal areas reminded me that Haiti was not the only place affected by Hurricane Matthew. It will take months to years for these areas to recover.

Praise I was able to take pictures of many of the clinic patients during September. Usually, people look very serious for pictures. This time, patients smiled when I asked how they felt about getting care at the clinic. The new presentation was finished in two weeks! It is now on the web at www.dranneinhaiti.com. We bought a new generator that is large enough to meet electrical needs for the future. A generous gift provided for this purchase.

The recent Haitian elections were fairly calm, and there was a clear winner for president.

Projects A pavilion for patients was added to the project list at the end of this past summer. That structure has just been completed and is probably already in use. The patients now have somewhere besides my porch to go at 5:30 in the morning.

Prayer I will be returning to Haiti on January 12, our Lord willing. The date marks the 30th anniversary of my first arrival in Haiti for medical mission service. Please pray for wisdom during preparation and travel, and for a ministry that will bring glory to God in the coming year.

Jesus—Emmanuel—the eternal God Who arrived in Bethlehem as a baby. This is a mystery God has revealed but is beyond our comprehension. May we offer humble adoration and praise to the Word Who became one of us.

Have a blessed and thoughtful Christmas,

Dr. Anne