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*“By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went...For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God.” (Hebrews 11:8,10)*

Part of my Bible reading since the beginning of this year has been in Genesis. Abraham has been a great encouragement to me. God called him, and he set out on a long journey without really knowing where he was headed, but he was obedient to God. Every believer could agree with Abraham that we know our final destination, but don't have a detailed map for how to get there. We walk by faith, not by sight.

Sometimes we are guided by something as simple as a conversation. Last fall, a missionary from my board asked about Creole literature, saying they had Haitians in their city of Puerto Plata, Dominican Republic (Spanish speaking), that their mission team could not reach because of the language barrier. We talked about a visit early in 2023, but they already had groups and visitors scheduled for most of January and February. I have tickets to go to Puerto Plata from March 14 to 30. Please pray for this survey trip as the team and I look at the possibilities for service together. This is the first time in years that I have gone to a country where I could not speak the language, but the missionary assured me that most people speak at least some English, so Spanish is not essential. (Whew!)

My home/sending church pastors, my mission board and I have discussed a return to Haiti so I can handle obligations to my staff. We would like to see that happen this spring. Please pray that God will make this trip possible even if it is only for a few days.

**Praise** The full proofreading of the formatted discipleship book, more than seventy pages, is done!

One of the challenges was the changes in the spelling of Haitian Creole in recent years. This past week I saw three different spellings of the same word in communications from Haiti! I have a much greater appreciation for the hard work and patience of proofreaders.

My ankle continues to improve. Many people have told me about their recovery time from ankle fractures, and it is clear this is going to take longer than I hoped.

The two orphans (Bently, age 8, and Sefora, age 5) are settling into their new home after the death of their father. He was the night surveillance person who was stabbed and died in December.

**Prayer** I need God's continued leading and wisdom, both for the trip to Puerto Plata and for the possible trip to Haiti.

I ordered Scripture booklets for adults and booklets for children in Haitian Creole. Please pray those booklets will arrive here before mid-March so I can take them with me.

Please pray that the team of three families and I will have a profitable time together as we seek God's will about serving together.

Friends have told me about moving their households many times over the years, whether for jobs or military service. We believers long to reach our final destination where we will have a permanent home with God, made by Him, where we will constantly enjoy new experiences, all made possible because of our union with our crucified and risen Lord Jesus Christ.

In our Lord's service,

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*“For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God.” (Ephesians 2:8)*  
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