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“Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.” (Matthew 9:38)

In *The Bumps Are What You Climb On*, Warren Wiersbe wrote, “You and I are too impressed with size. If something is small and quiet, we have the idea that it must be unimportant; but if it is big and noisy, then it must be important. But God doesn’t measure life the way we do. The big things don’t always impress Him.”

I have listened to reports about ministries in the past few months and have been impressed with the sizes, places and varieties of service God uses as He sends workers into His harvest field. While some have opportunities to reach hundreds of people at a time, many have smaller groups, what a friend called “our little flock.” These people faithfully serve where the Lord of the harvest has placed them, trusting Him for the fruit of their labors.

Part of my preparation for my trip to Puerto Plata, Dominican Republic, was ordering Scripture booklets. Those arrived in time in spite of a delay. Most of the booklets were in Haitian Creole, but I requested a few in Spanish as well. One of those went to a Spanish-speaking man headed to Panama, and another to the man next to me on the flight to Puerto Plata. May God bless His Word!

The trip to Dominican was great. The three families on the team working in Puerto Plata included me in their activities, and my hosts, the Bells, made me feel at home. I tried to take as many pictures of the ministry as possible, knowing from experience how hard it can be to have a choice for presentations, but also included pictures of fun activities and the area. I had opportunities for two consultations and was able to give some practical medical advice. Thanks to friends in my home church, we were able to provide some Spanish-based church music.

The heart of any ministry is the people. The church family gave me a warm welcome and sense of belonging. Regina Bell and I visited the Haitian mother of some of their young people, and we had a good conversation. Some of those booklets went to this lady the following week. A Haitian-American lady lives down the street from the Bells. We had a long talk together, and she gives good evidence of being a believer. She is involved in a local ministry to Haitians and was excited to hear about the booklets. A packet was set aside for her.

Please pray for the Ocean View Baptist Church and the missionary team. The people in the region are mostly nominal Roman Catholics or Pentecostals relying on emotional experience and works for salvation. It takes time to teach people what the Bible says about salvation through faith in Jesus Christ alone.

News from Haiti seems worse every week. Kidnappings continue, especially in the Port-au-Prince area. Some gangs are posting videos of what they do to their victims, and my staff occasionally forwards those. I was in tears last week after seeing part of one, confessing to God how wicked we are and how much we need a Savior.

Praise It was a joy to work with the Bells, Farias and Pittmans, and I have an open door to return.

Projects There was a water control project for the clinic property that had been put aside due to lack of funds. An unexpected gift is making this needed work possible. That should take care of flooding after heavy rains.

Prayer Please pray that I will be able to return to Haiti soon and take care of obligations.

God delights in using small things. The baby boy placed in a manger in a small town in a remote corner of the Roman empire was Emmanuel, God with us. This Jesus lived a sinless life, died for the sins of all people, and then gloriously rose from the dead. The Lord of the harvest sends each of us to the place He chooses in His field to announce this good news of salvation from sin and to God through faith in our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Have a blessed Resurrection Sunday! Dr. Anne

“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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