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*“The transgression of the wicked saith within my heart, that there is no fear of God before his eyes..”*  
(Psalm 37:35-36)

*“The righteous cry, and the LORD heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles.”*  
*“Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD delivereth him out of them all.”* (Psalm 34:17,19)

Dear Praying Friends:

As I was going through slides and pictures for a presentation, I found an old Haiti tourism booklet that is probably forty years old. The bright pictures of cheerful people, abundant supplies in the market, and beautiful beaches demonstrated the comments about, “a carefree place that makes the rest of the world seem far away...a sunny paradise,” and the description of Port-au-Prince: “Crowded, vibrant, bustling with activity.” I remember seeing some of that years ago. Now, the words of Jeremiah come to mind: *“She weepeth sore in the night.”* (Lamentations 1:2) Wickedness seems to rule and gang members show no fear of God.

My Haitian friends no longer talk of things getting better. We wonder how much worse the situation will get, and if the gang activities will extend from Port-au-Prince to the northern part of the country. Gangs control 80% or more of the capital. The United States embassy is in territory claimed by two, or maybe three gangs, and there have been bursts of gunfire in the neighborhood. The most recent embassy notice on August 30 said that all Americans should leave Haiti immediately. The response of Haitian Christians has been increased prayer, knowing that God hears and will deliver in His time.

I had planned to go to Haiti on June 20 with a couple of men from my home church, but God made it clear that was not His will. My Haitian workers told me that both they and our patients had tears when they heard that news, as I did when sending it. God has knit our hearts together over the years.

I did send in medications and medical supplies in June. God opened a way to take care of the official end-of-work settlements with proper signatures by all parties. In July, I was able to send in salaries for workers and security for the rest of the year. Then, in August, I learned that the local tax agent said it would be necessary to pay next year's taxes for the formal closing of the clinic! God graciously provided for that as well.

**Praise** I am grateful for faithful supporters who have been God's means of meeting obligations in Haiti.

God opened the way to meet needs for patients and workers before transport and travel became more difficult due to fuel shortages and increased crime.

All the workers are safe, and are thanking God for how He has worked on their behalf.

**Prayer** We see many of the results of gang member activity, but God alone knows what they have actually done, as well as the condition of their hearts. Please pray that God will convict these people of their need to repent and turn in faith to Jesus Christ.

The Baptist World Mission Annual Meeting is October 9 to 11. I need to have a presentation ready for my committee meeting and a short talk for the missionary ladies meeting. Please pray that I will complete both these projects well.

God is honest with us, and tells us that there will be trials for all His children. But He also promises His abiding presence, along with deliverance in His time. May we learn patience and greater trust, knowing that the rewards will be eternal.

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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