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*“I cried unto the LORD with my voice, and he heard me out of his holy hill. Selah.” (Psalm 3:4)*

The Holy One, the Almighty God, hears me when I cry out to Him. Think on that! Rather than ignore me, as I deserve, He has made a way through Jesus Christ for me to come into His holy presence. He listens and responds to those who call on Him.

I have been able to keep up with my workers through WhatsApp, which has been a great blessing. Every time they send a message back, they tell me how grateful they are for your prayers. They have been going through hard times with political disruption, widespread crime and poverty.

Now Haiti is facing the coronavirus, and this poor country is not prepared. There have been confirmed cases, mostly in Port-au-Prince (testing is not widely available), but the disease has probably gone throughout the country. The situation could get worse as laid-off workers from Dominican Republic return to their homes throughout Haiti. The Dominican has had a major outbreak of COVID 19, and there are concerns that the Haitian workers will bring the infection with them. The Haitian shelter in place orders are being unevenly enforced. Observers in Port-au-Prince say most activities are going on as usual. However, my worker who lives in Cap Haitien says that people there can only go out for necessities three times a week. People who venture out on other days will probably be beaten by the police or arrested. This is hard on people, many of whom live from day to day on their market sales or work in their small fields. In addition, those returning from the Dominican Republic can no longer send money home to their families. That is also true for Haitians living in other countries since they often have low-paying, unskilled jobs, and were among the first to become unemployed when business shutdowns occurred. And there has been drought which has affected the crops. Christians are crying out to God for help in the face of violence, hunger and disease.

**Praise** My workers report that they are well, their needs have been met, and they are following precautions.

I am very grateful for a comfortable place to live during this time in the United States. God has met my needs and made it possible to help others.

**Projects** There are no passenger flights to Haiti right now, so I do not have a date for returning. There are no definite plans for projects in the immediate future.

**Prayer** These are times of great uncertainty for Haitians. Please pray that Christians will be strong in faith, wise as they deal with restrictions, and faithful to share their trust in Jesus Christ with those around them. Pray that they will be safe and that their needs will be met.

Please pray that the drought will end, but that they (and the other nations in the region) will not be battered by hurricanes this summer. They need a harvest in September.

It is easy to trust in ourselves and our abilities when everything is going well, the job is good, the bills are paid, the cupboards and refrigerator stocked, and everyone is healthy. How many of us stop to think that those could disappear at any time, and to remember we need to trust God for everything? May God use these unsettled times to make people reflect, see their weakness, and realize their need to trust in the God Who will hear them.

*“The LORD also will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in times of trouble. And they that know thy name will put their trust in thee: for thou, LORD, hast not forsaken them that seek thee.” (Psalm 9:9-10)*

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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