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“I waited patiently for the LORD: and he inclined unto me, and heard my cry.” (Psalm 40:1)

Seven years ago I left my previous location and moved to Wallondri. I believed it was God’s will for me to start a new clinic ministry in this area, and fellow missionaries graciously helped make that happen on the Maranatha Baptist campus. However, my desire was to establish the Grace Baptist Clinic on its own property. With the help of many people, we opened the door for the clinic at the new location on July 25.



I asked God for wisdom many times as I designed the Ministry Residence, trying to use everything I had learned and observed over the years. It has been a pleasure to see how the answers to many requests turned out better than I planned, as well as discovering answers to questions that had not occurred to me. That does not mean there have been no challenges since I moved in or that everything is finished, but I have been finding many reasons to daily praise God for all that has been accomplished.

The staff and patients are also pleased with the new location. Each staff member has a defined work area, and there is room to care for patients without blocking the central walkway. The staff is enjoying a separate place to eat, as well as the use of the refrigerator for cold water during these hot months. The indoor bathroom has been a bonus.



Memorial gifts for a friend provided new equipment for the clinic. The first few days the patients were most impressed with the new standing scale, which made us smile. We are looking forward to using the new file cabinet. With more than 5000 active charts, we were running out of space, and these file drawers are just right for the 4x6 index cards we use.

I took one of the guest bedrooms for my consultation room. It is separate from the waiting area, so I can see patients with more privacy while people in the other room share their news, tell jokes, and enjoy each other. I confess I have often wished I could listen to some of those funny stories, but the patients come first. And we keep their spiritual as well as physical needs in mind even when having fun.



The other guest bedroom was put into use at the end of August. Charise Guidinger has visited the clinic ministries several times over the years, and many of the patients remembered her. She is now a nurse practitioner, and she shared her pediatrics experience with us. In return, she was reminded about adult medicine, as well as having opportunities to care for children.



We were glad for her visit, even if it was only for a week.

Praise We are enjoying the new location, although the night time seems like an echo of the plagues. This has been an unusual year for crickets, the Palmetto bugs (big roaches) are abundant, and I have been throwing a frog or two out almost every night.

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I am enjoying my bedroom, along with the pleasure of seeing things that have been in storage for years.

I am looking forward to seeing all my books unpacked, but that may have to wait until January. Moving in can take longer than planned, but there are still things to anticipate!

Projects The Ministry Residence is not finished yet, but it is quite functional. Some of the materials are on site, and the missing factor is time for installation. The electrician who was here in April would like to return and make an integrated electrical system—solar, public power (when available), and generator (when in use) with automatic switchovers. We do not have all those materials yet. I bought the inverter for the other location where we had a 40 kW generator. I have been advised that we need a larger generator than the one I have now to make full use of the inverter.



The only place I can connect with the internet (other than the top of the stairs to the roof!) is a specific area in my kitchen. I will be looking into solutions for this problem while in the US. Please feel free to write if you have a suggestion. (That is my dog Rico coming around the table where my computer is located.)

My staff and patients are already suggesting new projects! A practical one is an outdoor pavilion close to the storage depot (on the right side of the sidewalk in this picture). It would give patients who arrive early a place to wait rather than arriving on my porch at 5:30 am, as well as providing a place to sit during the day. It would also be closer to the Haitian toilet. We are working on the cost estimate.



Prayer Elections have been scheduled again, this time for October. We have had a provisional government since February. Many people are discouraged and talking of not voting because of doubts about a fair election.

I plan to return to the US on September 29. That gives me two weeks to prepare a new presentation before my first meeting.

“Let all those that seek thee rejoice and be glad in thee: let such as love thy salvation say continually, The LORD be magnified.” (Psalm 40:16)

There are lots of pictures with this letter so you can see a bit of what I see every day. As I look around, I praise God for His provision and guidance. I see faithful supporting churches and friends, gifts from friends both here and in Heaven, patient teaching and lessons learned by observation, and a lot of hard work by Haitians and Americans. I see the opportunities we have already had for sharing the Gospel. One of my patients the last week in July came in laughing, threw her arms out, and said, “Look what God has done! Just see what God has done!” God has done great things for us! Let us praise Him together!

In our Lord’s service,

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