

Dear praying friends,

God invited me to join a medical team from Xenos Christian Fellowship in Columbus, to Jacmel, Haiti, August 20-28. The invitation came up suddenly as a physician had to cancel a few weeks before. God provided family and friends to care for my parents, and I prepared to go.

It was a fruitful week, beyond our expectations. They were full days with sweat and laughter and great joy. My parents did well in my absence.

God alone knows the details, but 90 people prayed with our team members to receive Jesus as their Savior, and we gave medical care to 457 in the 5 clinic days.

The unity of our team was a sweet gift from God, especially Monday when the building was packed with patients in triage, pharmacy, consultations and in the prayer room. We had to stop offering consultations when we got to 275 patients and we needed to head down the mountain while we still had daylight.



(Above) This is our Haiti team of that week: 13, plus Pastor Eval, all in Pastor Eval's truck. Front: Vicky and Terri; Middle: Beth, John, Jim, Carol, Pastor Eval, Sue, Kim and Kathy; Back: Jim, Dr Eric (above), Cliff, (below him) and Beth.



(Above) Cliff and translator praying with patients.



(Left) Jim, José, Eval & Samuel. José, front & center, MEBSH pastor, now assigned to start home churches with new believers in Peredo.

On Wednesday, about 25 church leaders came for a seminar on evangelism and discipleship, led by Jim. One of them was Pastor José. He and his wife will move to Peredo in September to start a church there. He has been teaching extension Bible school for 29 years. . He has worked with Pastor Eval before and is happy to work under his supervision in this area. BUILD YOUR CHURCH, LORD!

During the week, I missed the family of God in south Haiti, but was able to speak with several by phone.

Please pray the Lord of the Harvest:

* For laborers for the harvest:

- a teacher for the missionary children school (teaching in English),
- a business manager and/or children's worker to step into some of Susanne Baerg's ministries,
- a missionary physician for our clinic to give training and mentor our 4 Haitian docs

* For students and faculty of our mission Bible school classes. This school year there are three levels:

about 20 extension centers, open this month, scattered over south Haiti

50 students in the baccalaureate level are starting September 12 at Cité Lumière. Some are 2nd year and some are 4th year.

33 students will start in October as resident students in a 2 year curriculum. They will be in class at Cité Lumière, Monday-Friday, then back home on the weekends to serve in their local churches. They appreciate your prayers for safety in travel, necessary finances, and the care of their families and churches while they are away.

* The amazing missionary medical director of our clinic, Bill TenHaaf, is continuing with chemotherapy for his abdominal cancer. He is now going monthly to a medical center in Pittsburgh for chemo and a vaccination against his cancer. Lord willing he hopes to go to Haiti with another surgeon, November 5. He prays for God to be glorified as he serves in the days which God gives him.

* Pray with me that I will walk in obedience for God's will in my life. I will be in the World Team office in Philadelphia, September 28 & 29 for debriefing and discussion of my continued assignment. Age wise, I could "retire", but sense God's blessing of health and strength for a few more years. My sister, Nan, did well with surgery for her colon cancer, August 8. She will start a chemotherapy in two weeks, which is planned for 4 months.

Thank you for sharing as partners in God's work in Haiti.

In His hands,

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*Our goal is to make disciples and equip the local church to grow and multiply.
We do this by sharing the hope of Christ in word and deed.*

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