The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

(John 1:5)

Dear Friends,

To seek the Kingdom of God is to seek to make the world a better place.

And no person did this better than Jesus.

His cross. His Spirit. His love. All these work together to inspire and empower our team at God's Mercy to Haiti. To work with our heads held high, despite afflictions and injustice brought about by darkness.

In the past 12 months Haiti has become a lawless, violent, and chaotic territory for evil. But in the midst of this darkness, Christ is a lighthouse and His church is a sanctuary for the oppressed.

Lovine and Michelle had a thriving taxi/shuttle business in Port au Prince. Just a few months ago their family would have been considered upper middle class. But gang violence drove them from their neighborhood. They packed their belongings in their bus and with their 4 girls moved north to Titanye.

They could not anticipate the ways evil was spreading unchecked. A month after being in their new home, gangs forced them out again. This time with brutal intensity. Their bus was stolen and their home burned to the ground. With only the clothes on their back they went to Marotte, Michelle's hometown. Marotte is farther north and is relatively safer.

The Church of the God of Perfection in Marotte feeds the villagers there twice a week. That's where Lovine and Michelle met Patrick. He's our operations manager and oversees ministry there. God has gifted Patrick as a spiritual magnet who ushers the oppressed to Christ. Our church in Marotte quickly took them in. We got them food, clothing, and housing, and the children into school.

Lovine is a hard worker and has found some sparse construction work. Michelle has been leading worship and teaching the children at The Church of the God of Perfection in Marotte. They are a long way from being on their feet. But now they have a chance to take a breath, heal, and regroup.

After such cruelty and trauma, it's nothing short of a miracle to see this family at church rejoicing in God, praying, giving thanks, worshipping God, and serving others.

What a powerful testimony to the claim of Jesus Christ!

When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

We grieve with this family, ministering Christ's love in their loss and suffering. But we also rejoice with them, finding the light and love of Christ expressed in The Church of the God of Perfection in Marotte.

> Michelle and her four girls. Lovine not pictured



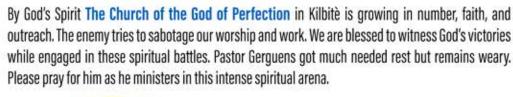
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Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword?...

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Romans 8:35, 37-39)



MINISTRY UPDATES





Morale at The School of The God of Perfection is good. Our deserving staff got raises this year to help against high inflation crippling Haiti. Students and staff are preparing for exams in April. Also, we just shipped 326 pounds of school and kitchen supplies, clothes, and 132 hand-made cloth diapers for our baby/mommy ministry. Thanks to everyone and your hearts of mercy. We thank God for you.

Our new church, The Church of the God of Perfection in Marotte continues to blossom. Attendance has grown to 80 worshippers on Sundays. Every Tuesday we worship at a different family's home. Bible study is every Wednesday. Thursday and Saturday everyone helps with the food ministry to the village. We've averaged one new person coming to saving faith in Christ since the church started last December! Praise God!

The PO Box for a missionary is a place where spiritual growth occurs. When offerings arrive, they are answered prayer, a means for mercy, provision, affirmation and encouragement. When the box sits idle that's when patience and faith are fostered. Please do not help the Lord build our patience and faith... He's got these covered ...

God's Mercy to Haiti operates entirely by donations for salaries, church, school, and food ministries, transportation, shipping, gas, you name it. Your donation ministers the love and hope of Christ.

Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that proclaim his name. And do not forget to do good and to share what you have, for with such sacrifices God is pleased. (Hebrews 13:15-16)

We are grateful for your partnership. Thank you!

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It's clear the Holy Spirit wants us feeding our villages. For the past seven months, funds came in for this. The churches in Kilbitè, Travo, and Marotte prepare and serve over 4000 meals every three weeks! \$2000 for 4000 meals. Available funds for this ministry end next month. We are praying hard for God's provision. Please pray and consider helping our churches feed the impoverished in the name of Christ.

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