Dorcé Family

Wilckly, Dee, Ashley, Kelsey, Josiah November 2022

"For I will satisfy the weary, and every languishing soul I will replenish." Jeremiah 13:25



Dearest Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Blessing Hearts We are so thankful for each of you. We are so grateful for your MINISTRIES partnership with us, for your prayers and emotional support, and we know the Dorcés are extremely grateful for the "extra" time they have had to visit with so many of you in person while they are here in the U.S. They are also, however, very homesick. Some of you may wonder how they can long so deeply to be in a place that is experiencing so much upheaval, suffering, and even danger. The only answer we can give is that they know God has called them to Haiti and the Dominican Republic and so that is where their hearts are at peace. They feel as if though their bodies are here, their hearts are there.

Though our people on the ground in Haiti (with whom they are in daily contact) are still telling them not to return there, their plan is to begin establishing and building up the expansion in the D.R. AS SOON AS Wilckly's U.S. residency is accepted. That is really the only thing holding them back right now, as he cannot leave the country until that paperwork is finalized. Please pray for patience on their parts, and for direction in wisely using their time here while they wait. They plan to be on the plane to the D.R. the minute they have his paperwork in hand!!

The above Scripture is taken from a portion of the book of Jeremiah where the Lord is using him to remind the people that He has not forgotten them nor His promise to them. At the time He had displaced them to a foreign land and they were living among a foreign people, and for some years His plan for them wasn't going to make them happy or comfortable. In fact, His plan for them at that time didn't even seem very hopeful, as many in their generation would likely not even see the fulfillment of His promise to restore them to the promised land. Yet He had not forgotten. And He had not forsaken them. And He directed them to settle in with the current plan, to their current situation. To build home and plant gardens and grow their families. To "seek the welfare of the city" where He had placed them.

The Dorcés know God has a reason for placing them in the U.S. for a season...as much as they long to be home. Please pray that they would continue to make the most of this time, though it may feel like an "exile"; for their hearts Yours in Christ, Shaina Thiner on behalf of Wilckly and Dee Dorcé to be at peace in His will and in His plan; for wisdom in making decisions about the

ministry from afar; for hope to reign.

Back to School, "sí Dye vle"...

"Si Dye vle" was one of the first phrases I learned when I moved to Haiti. Every adult, no matter their faith practice, ended every

future-tense sentence they spoke with those words, which translated mean "If God wills". It was compelling, convicting, to me to hear this numerous times daily. It reminded me that I could make my plans and desire a day to go a certain way, but my will was often not God's will. It reminded me to keep before me the perspective and attitude of submitting to God's will no matter what I desired, wished for, or planned.

Usually by this time school is well underway in Haiti...usually by this time we have dozens of students from all over the area...usually by this time faithful professors are traveling weekly all the way from Port au Prince, the capital city located about an hour away, to teach...usually by this time we have presented a back-to-school project to all our partners, asking for help with building materials and costs, supplies, and teacher payrolls.

Our plan is still to run school as before, but this year we have so much more to consider. In the not-so-distant past even when the cities were shrouded in smoke from burning tires of protests and gangs were ruling the streets we in the outskirts were still able to function. In the past years, however, these protests and gang rule have spread throughout the entire country. Now, due to direct threats on schools trying to open and uniformed students being targeted for kidnappings, we have our teachers' and students' safety to take into account. Providing a safe, Christ-like environment for the education of the children in our area is still of great importance to us, but the current state of the country has forced us to make many difficult decisions prioritizing survival over ministry goals.

The building is there, our school director is ready, and though we still have some finishing touches to make to the school yard (an area for recess, an outhouse, new benches and desks, and paying for water in the reservoir as well as safe drinking water), we are ready for school to re-open. The teachers and students are just as ready.

Please pray with us for this to happen. For peace and calm to return to Haiti so it will be safe for



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Do you want a live update?



Wilckly and Dee or Shaina are all available to come visit you and give an in-person update on the ministry!

Contact Shaina Thiner at

(309) 255-5393

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Expansion in the Dominican Republic



Through the generosity of one of our partners we now only have \$10,000 left to pay on the land in the D.R., with NO interest!! We are SO ready to make this vision become reality...please pray about how you can partner with us in this area!

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