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"The line moved"



Seedtime ^{and Harvest} Ministry

> Laurie and I met with some friends from Haiti during a visit to Kentucky this month. They did not want to have their names splashed about, but were happy to talk to us about their lives.

We were excited to hear their opinions about America since they each grew up in Haiti and have now transitioned legally and successfully to America. With families and jobs for the last 10 years or so, we thought they'd now be ready to speak.

One such comment was...."The line moved!"

It speaks to expectations and contentment. How much satisfaction can a person get in America? With ease they can get jobs, make money and plan to retire early, right? What they thought they'd find, wasn't exactly there.

Did something change?

We don't think anything changed in the world. The offerings of the world are always shifting and deceptive. It is, however, an indication that <u>they became more aware of the ways of this world</u>.

> Think carefully about what your eyes see and your ears tell you. In time we will each testify that the Word of the Lord stands firm forever. Everything else.... just keeps shifting.

As disappointments came, each of our friends persevered, refusing to give up and worked hard to get their homes established. They are plugged into church. Their attitudes are good and we are proud of them.

1 Timothy 6:6-9

But godliness with contentment is great gain, ⁷ for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world. ⁸ But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content. ⁹ But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction.

LEARNING: OUR FRIENDS ARE LEARNING 1 TIMOTHY 6:6-9 FIRSTHAND. BUT LET'S PRAY FOR THEM ANYWAY!

Thank you for your part in prayers and finance so the resources are there for Seedtime to continue.

Brian Winzenried

Check out the backside of this Newsletter.... More content awaits.

"While the earth remains, <u>Seedtime and Harvest</u>, Cold and Heat, Winter and Summer, And Day and Night Shall Not Cease." Genesis 8:22

When asked...

1. When asked to speak about working in Haiti compared to working in the USA one of our Kentucky friends said working in Haiti was simply to get by and survive. Working in the USA was better, one fellow thought, because you could reach for something more, such as working to buy a home or a car or prepare for retirement.

It's a huge blessing to get "needs" covered and begin to look at the "wants" on our lists. Making progress feels liberating and gives us hope. But we often let that hope become anchored in "things". And **that satisfaction will move on you** just about the time you achieve it. "Seeking first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness" is critical so we do not lose the "spiritual" war while winning the "worldly possessions" war.

2. When asked if they had a <u>current outreach of any kind</u> that they were involved with, one fellow said no. But he followed up saying he would be open to the idea.

Maybe you, Seedtime Friends, would be interested in praying for "fanning the flames" for mission involvement in his Haitian community, After all, he said he was open to the idea. Are you?

Frantz and his family are doing well.

Calls to preach and teach on the radio continue each week. Communications with various Haitian Pastors is always happening as Frantz struggles to get churches organized to host Bible studies.

His wife is doing okay with the pregnancy (due in September) and tries to stay cool this summer with fans only. His daughter, Gaelle, has recovered from typhoid.

Keeping Frantz paid very modestly is all we have done so far. Please consider a donation for Frantz to allow us to increase his compensation. Do not write anything on the subject-line of a check. Instead, add a note alongside the check and we will honor whatever you write. Not ready to help Frantz today? Begin now to set aside a Christmas offering for him.

Thanks for walking with us!



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