



# THE VALCINS



Dear Faithful Ministry Partners –

We are at a critical time in our ministry. We see God moving in our midst and yet the country of Haiti continues to get more unstable every day. We want to share the great and amazing things that have happened since the beginning of this year, but also ask for your help and prayer for the dangerous situations that we find ourselves ministering in at the present time.

**Please see the last section of the newsletter to learn about our needs for prayer and financial support. We are so appreciative of your faithful partnership with us.**

In Christ

– Gersan and Betty



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## CALIFORNIA AND TIJUANA MINISTRY



At the beginning of the year, we were invited to California where we met Don and Janet Ricedorff who joined our ministry during the 2010 earthquake. They were very instrumental in raising funds that provided new prefab 2 room homes for people who had lost everything in the quake. Our time with them was a time of refreshment and rest for us. We worshiped and enjoyed time together. We left from our visit with them with new ideas and new strength for the days ahead.

Also while in California, we had the opportunity to be in Bonita Valley and reconnect with Fran and Ron Rowe, some friends that were part of our early work and ministry. What a joy it was to return to California where we recruited our first team in 1998 to start our evangelism initiative in Haiti! God blessed that ministry and thousands of souls came to the Lord! As a result, more than 70 churches were started and several of them still exist today. That was a great movement of the Spirit of God that transformed the lives of people throughout the world as some in this movement became missionaries that still travel the world to share the Good News of Jesus Christ.

We also went for the 2<sup>nd</sup> time to Tijuana, Mexico to visit Moses Joseph and his wife Deliris. They are a missionary couple that is working with refugees from South America, Latin America and the Caribbean. We met with several Haitian refugees and we are working with Moses and his wife to help the refugees as well as working with the Haitian Consulate here in Tijuana so the migrants might receive the support needed.





## THE VILLAGE CHURCH'S 7TH ANNIVERSARY



It's hard to celebrate in the midst of our country's disastrous situation but this year we did celebrate the Village Church's 7th anniversary. As you know, Haiti is going through the worst situation we have ever known. The city of Port-Au-Prince is run by gangs and crime. Kidnappings are rampant, schools are closed and most of the businesses are not operating. People are fleeing the country in search of hope and opportunities. Haiti looks chaotic but God continues to do a wonderful work in our midst. We were glad that our church took the time amidst the darkness to worship the Lord and give Him praise for His faithfulness to us.

As people are leaving the country, the church's congregation is also changing. New people are migrating to our neighborhood and the church is being refilled with new members thirsty for the Word of God. More people are coming to the Lord and wanting to get baptized than in previous years. In our baptism initiative, we had to come up with new ideas and so we now have a U18 section for kids from 12 to 17 years old that come to be baptized. Right now we have more than 10 kids preparing for baptism! God willing, in June this year we will again have a U18 baptism service in our church.

During baptism services, it is a time of great opportunity to share the Gospel, as grandparents and friends are coming to be with their family for the baptism of their grandchildren. Pray for us as we stand between darkness and hope to fight for the faith!





## MORE PICTURES





## EASTER CELEBRATION

Easter this year was very special! As we shared previously about the situation in the country, we were not sure how the Easter celebration would go. On Friday morning, we gathered together for Good Friday. We were amazed to see that people joined us at 9:00 a.m. for the Friday service. The church was almost full and we had a baptism service where 4 people got baptized after giving a public testimony of their faith in Jesus Christ. Another 3 people came to faith and joined the church. Almost every week, people are coming to Christ.



Sunday morning's celebration was spectacular! We overflowed with people to the point that some stayed in their cars on the streets to follow on their phones as we broadcasted the service over the internet. We are following up on that celebration with a new series of sermons on the book of Ephesians where Paul prayed for the Ephesian believers to understand God's love, God's intelligence and wisdom through the saving work of our Savior and Lord Jesus Christ.



## CONCRETE BLOCK MACHINE

With the insecurity in the country, one of our main concerns is the safety of our Jacob's Well campus and the security of our radio equipment. We have now purchased a block machine that will allow us to fabricate our own concrete blocks. This one machine is already producing and another one is under construction.

One of our main challenges is to create jobs for the people in our village. With the block machine, we will create 10 direct jobs and with all the other financial activities that will go around more people will be financially affected indirectly. Our property is too big and we will not have money to purchase enough material to put a fence around it. Our best option is to produce our own blocks and then sell some! With the blocks that are sold, we will purchase materials to make more blocks in order to build our walls. In the photo you can see some of our first concrete blocks!



### ***We Need Prayer and Financial Assistance***

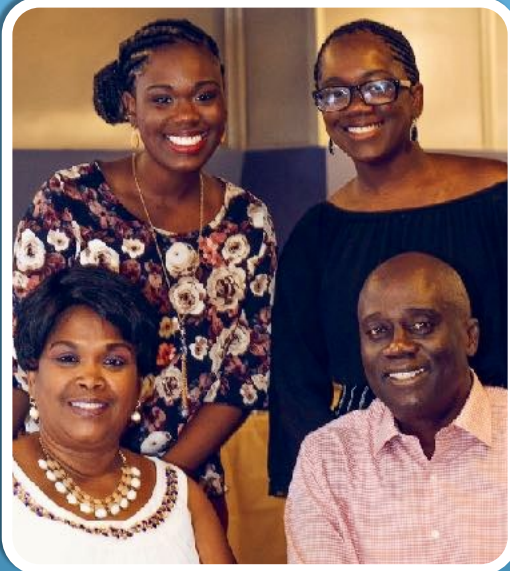
*This is a distressed time for the country but we have seen the church in Port-Au-Prince coming alive like never before. Pray for God's protection and His wisdom as we are carefully monitoring the situation to know what we should do or where we should go. We used to think that if we had to flee Port-au-Prince that our "Plan B" would be Jacob's Wells in the Limbé area as things are calmer than in Port-Au-Prince. But lately Limbe has also been invaded by gangs. Praise God that the population and the police quickly regained control of this situation and most of the gang leaders are now in custody!*



*We feel that we have a lot of work to do here. Pray for wisdom and also pray for our financial resources. We see the good of our presence in standing with the people in a time of crisis and how our ministry was able to quell some violence in the Limbe area. Our radio station is a strategic opportunity to reach people since they are forced to stay home. We need help for fuel and for food to help the elderly that cannot leave or migrate to another country. Some of the elderly are sick and they don't have enough food to eat. The Food for the Poor ministry used to help us on a regular basis, but they have not supported us for quite some time. They probably are overwhelmed by so much need also. We are moving into the mango season and that will help, but in the meantime, we need YOUR help. Pray for the overall situation in Haiti, for the insecurity to stop and for life to be enjoyable again.*

*Please pray to see how you can join us in this fight! We probably are the only light still shining in the Limbe area and we need to continue to shine so that we can continue to testify to people that God still loves them. Please, continue to support us financially so we can be the hands and the feet of Jesus!*

*-Gersan and Betty*



## SUPPORTING THE VALCIN'S

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