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Philippians 1:6 "And I am sure of this: that He who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Christ Jesus."

As we previously mentioned, we have been in the States since November 2019 due in part to the unrest in Haiti. The time spent with family and fellow believers has been wonderful. You do not realize how depleted you become when you are not able to fellowship with the friends and family that you have grown so close to. We are also blessed to announce that God has deemed it fitting to add another girl to our family. Kaelee is 22 weeks along, and we ask that you would keep both her and the baby in your prayers.

This break from field has allowed from some much-needed thought, rest, and spiritual nourishment. We continue to be involved in our community in Haiti by directing the team that God has blessed us with there. We were blessed

with a fantastic end-of-year giving which is allowing Austin to travel down to Haiti February 11<sup>th</sup> to build a home for a single mom and her four children.

Even in our absence, through your generosity, we continue to have the means to bless families in Haiti. One story we would like to share developed over a period of several months before we left. A mother of a child who was born with a condition called: "imperforate anus" (an underdeveloped or nonexistent anus) flagged Austin down while he was on his way to a worksite, to ask him for help. In this case, the child had an initial surgery to allow it to pass stool, but the surgeon instructed that the other surgeries to completely rectify the issue be performed at a later date. This date was loosely set for November or December 2019. By the time we left, they were still waiting on an exact date. Even in the midst of the unrest, God allowed the family to make the trip into Port-au-Prince for the first of two surgeries. The first surgery was a success, and the family is now waiting for the second surgery that is scheduled sometime this month. The Lord is so GOOD! In times of uncertainty, one thing is always certain: The Lord is with us always!

Another opportunity has presented itself for Austin. Since his pre-teens, Austin has been interested in flying. After experiencing the nearly complete shutdown of the roads in Haiti, Austin has felt drawn back to this desire to fly. Whether it is during times of unrest, disaster, or emergency, we feel that Austin having a private pilot's license will be a great benefit to the area that we serve in Haiti. The Lord only knows where this will lead, but we are excited to find out together. He has started his instruction in Branson.

We continue to ask prayer as we follow His lead for our life. We are truly drawn to and

vested in the Haitian people; however, we want to be sensitive to Holy Spirit's guidance. We thank you for your continued prayers and generosity and pray that God's hand of protection and provision be with you in this new year of 2020!

In the Joy and Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ, Austín and Kaelee





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Psalm 100:3 "Know that the Lord, He is God! It is He who made us and we are His."

As most of the US and the world remain in a state of uncertainty, we, as Christians, are comforted to know that our God reigns. This is the confidence that we are able to share with others in times such as these. In the midst of it all, one must also wonder what is it that God is teaching me. Common to all ages, trials and adversity tend to bring about unknown or forgotten strength. May we all feel His presence in these difficult times.

Since last year, we have been planning on another filter distribution in our area in Haiti, but due to political unrest and the near shutdown of the country, we have been hindered. Fortunately, our parcel/mail carrier has indicated that they are resuming cargo flights after a halt due to the virus. We have purchased and shipped 150 filters with hopes that they would arrive in Haiti in the latter part of April or the beginning of May. Our team has done the ground work to facilitate distributing the filters. Though we would normally include bacteriology presentation to educate the recipients, we will have to postpone the presentation until after the meeting ban is lifted. We are developing a distribution method which will protect the distributors and the recipients.

Another prayer was answered in the airport, traveling back to the US in March. One of Austin's passions is to develop a biblical finance course that is developed especially for Haitians and Haiti's marketplace. Though he started the development process, he could not seem to make much progress. Then in March, God brought him and Brian together in a ticket line at the airport in Haiti. After getting their tickets, Austin and Brian visited for a couple hours while they waited on their flight. As it would happen, Brian has been a missionary to Haiti since 2004, and he has been teaching a biblical finance course in Haiti for years. Brian graciously supplied Austin with the material he has been using. Is not this how God works? When you least expect, He provides a way, and it is always better than one could imagine.

Kaelee's pregnancy continues to progress well with only a week left. The last month is always the longest for her. Please keep her and the baby in your prayers. Due to the virus, Austin has not been flying, but he has been studying online for his written pilot's exam. During this time of restrictions, he has also been able to help with the family business since several employees have elected to stay home.

Moving forward, we do not claim to have all the answers, but we do serve the One who does. We will trust in His guidance, and we hope to back in Haiti, at the earliest, practicable time, Lord willing. Until then, we will do our best to help meet the needs of those in our area in Haiti and beyond.

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New foundation with old home in back

Takes only one day for the roof

Family in front of their new home

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"Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to look after orphans and widows in their affliction and to keep oneself unstained from the world." James 1:27

A "new normal" seems to be in order as our nation begins to reopen, but one thing the remains, "Our God is an Awesome God; He reigns in Heaven and on Earth". As many of you already know, God blessed us with a beautiful baby girl, Celeste Annalee on June  $1_{st}$ . She weighed in at 8lbs. 1oz., and was 21 ¼" long. At three weeks old, she has made good progress, and Kaelee is recuperating well. Celeste is such joy to us all.

Despite continued unrest in Haiti, God blessed the construction of Benel's new home. Through rising prices and in Austin's absence, our team still completed this home in three weeks and within the budget! This home is sort of a legacy in honor of a departed friend. Our hope is that this family will praise and honor God for His blessing of a home. We feel incredibly fortunate to take part in each of these wonderful stories of God's provision. As a friend told us after receiving a new home, "Now I can lay in bed and not fret that my walls will fall around me and my family."

After weeks of delay, 150 filters are now being distributed in our community. This is a simple yet powerful way to show God's love by providing access to clean, filtered water for a family. One units cost around **\$25** and may provide up to 1 million gallons of filtered water for a family. With this distribution, we will have attained **35%** of our goal of 1,000 filters. God be praised!!

Please pray for God's direction as we pursue returning to Haiti. Covid has caused delays of all kinds, including passport renewal and flights to Haiti. Please pray for our Haitian friend, llioner who moved to Turkey for work purposes last year and has been out of work now for some time. Please pray for God's blessing as we look to purchase and ship an ambulance to our community in Haiti this summer. Pray that the church in Haiti will strengthen in this time and step-up as much outside help has been hindered.

As always, we thank you for your steadfast prayers and generosity. May God bless you and keep you!

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Benel's family in their new home



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Most of us have experienced a passing thought becoming a reality. A recent example for us is the ambulance project. Nearly two years ago we noticed the need for more emergency vehicles in our area in Haiti. After only a couple months of fundraising, God has seen it fit provide for this need. Austin and a friend drove about 5 hours (one-way) to purchase the vehicle. The previous owner said that he had search for three years before finding that specific vehicle. Thank you for your prayers! God is so good!



Ready for its Haiti Excursion



Jean Fouca's New Roof

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#### Please pray for these needs:

- The Holy Spirit's guidance in our efforts on mission field
- Safety and provision for our friend, Ilioner, in Turkey
- Safe traveling for Austin and his Dad, George as they take the vehicle to Florida to be shipped to Haiti
- Safe travels for our family back to Haiti (October 1st)
- The political and general status of Haiti
- More funding for the Filter Project (\$25 per filter)
- More funding for the Build-A-Home outreach (\$7,000 per home)

May the peace of our Lord remain in your hearts, he is our Hope!



Another Successful Filter Distribution