

Hello from Haiti:

First pic is the plane we flew from Port-a-Prince to Port-de-Paix. The terminal is outside and the runway is gravel. Great America has nothing on this ride.



Picture two = Spent much time exploring Port-de-Paix a city of around 300,000. No infrastructure. This is the main street through the city. Pigs walking along as well as scooters which serve as taxis with 3 people on them.

I am preaching Friday, Saturday nights and Sunday morning. The people are so friendly and welcoming. The church has a little generator that works most of the time, and everything inside has to be removed everyday they use it because there are no doors or windows and people will sleep in there especially in the rain because it finally has a roof on it.

I am amazed at how little people have, yet the peace among people and the spirit of cooperation. One story. Our rental wreck - would not start. One one occasion the owner came and decided it might be the battery. The car parked next to it in the walled in hotel compound at which we are staying was unlocked. So he and another guy from the hotel borrowed the battery from the other car to start ours and then returned it a few minutes later. I thought it belonged to the hotel guy, but found out he did not know whose the car was. It is pretty common to just use each others things. We have a slow leak in a tire - no gas stations or air compressors, so we were taken to a tin hut out of which a young guy came with a hand bicycle pump. He pumped up our truck tire by hand smiling all the time. Wow. And he probably eats only every other day.

Third picture is where our meals have been prepared over a charcoal fire outside. No running water inside. And this is the pastor's home. They are a "middle class" family.



All is well. Bondyeh Bienio (Bondyay Byen eoo) God bless you all in Haitian Creole.

We can make a huge difference for these people! You and me and all of us together - to the glory of God. What is the greatest commandment - Love the Lord God with all your heart, mind, soul and strength and love your neighbor as yourself. May we exalt Jesus this Christmas by celebrating His birthday!

Pastor Paul

Here are a few more pictures:

