



# Helping Haiti's Orphans

## October 2019 Newsletter



Dear Friends of Espere Kay,

In early October, we made our way to Rhode Island for Deb's Dad's 90th Birthday. Our arrival was a great, unexpected surprise! What a blessed time of family, friends and celebration we all had as we honored this milestone. Unfortunately, as many of you already know, we spent close to a month sheltering in place in Haiti before we arrived in the States. The opposition has called for the President to step down and he refuses. They have called for, "peyi loc," which means they are doing their best to lock down the country most days by erecting barricades, paying dangerous gangs to cause trouble and holding many protests. People can not work, children can not go to school, there is no public transportation, etc. It makes it almost impossible to do anything. It is slowly taking an already impoverished country to the point of humanitarian crisis. Praise God, even though our young adults can not attend school/university, they do have safe places to stay and we are able to provide them with money for food, water and basic needs. They are sheltering in place most days but they are doing okay. Our hope was to return the third week of October but we are feeling led by God and being advised by others to stay where we are for awhile. Our hope is to be able to return for two weeks in November if God opens the door for us to do so. In the meantime, we have had the blessing of enjoying some beautiful fall days in RI. We have gone on nature hikes, gone apple and grape picking, made apple crisp and helped make homemade grape jelly. We have also had the blessing of singing on the Praise Team at our church, going to Bible Studies and prayer meetings and just spending precious time with our parents, children, family members and friends. We are thanking God for this unexpected blessing and have asked the Lord to use us as His servants here until we can return to serve Him in Haiti. We hope things will settle down soon. In the meantime, please join with us in praying for God's protection over our loved ones in Haiti and for peaceful and lasting resolutions to the protests there. Please pray for the Lord's wisdom as to when we should return and, when we do so, for His protection. We thank you so much for those of you who have already been praying for us and for Haiti. We ask you to faithfully keep those prayers coming.

In Christ,  
Deb and Dave