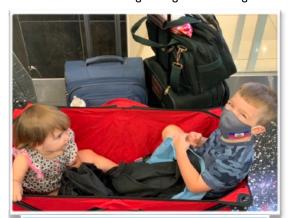


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## Hello to all!

**After spending four weeks in Tennessee,** we are back home in the mountains of Grand Fond! Our time in TN was spent running errands; repairing things, medical/dental care, purchasing needed parts and supplies, and working on the bus in between. The whole trip felt like a whirlwind but we're thankful we were able to go and get those things done!



"The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord." Job 1:20



The bus will be used for living in & traveling during future furloughs (when it's done).

Our children could be seen traveling by "uncovered" wagon through the airports :)

It is good to be home again! Upon arriving home however, we found our satellite internet wasn't working, and we continued to find many of our electronics, and even an ATV dead. After discovering the dump truck batteries had blown up, we wondered what exactly happened while we were gone!? Alix told us that there was a major lightning storm with several strikes very close to the house. One must have struck on or near the newly set up shipping container and the massive power surge somehow entered an extension cord that was running from our house to the container and battery maintainers on the vehicles. It burned through the extension cord in several places and fried a lot of electronics in and outside of our home! We are so thankful the solar/





inverter system was not destroyed! Alix remarked, "If a criminal had destroyed your things, they would have to be punished, but this lighting strike is from God, so we can only say, 'Mesi, Bondye' (Thank you, Lord!)". We are so grateful for the sovereignty of God and were overjoyed to hear Alix apply the reality of God's sovereignty to this situation on his own. Having faith in God's sovereignty gives so much freedom!

Though Job suffered so much more, we are reminded of his declaration: "The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord."



Alix and his wife seem to be doing very well. Midday Bible studies with them resumed as normal, Michael is reading through and discussing the Gospels with them every day. They just finished up Mark and started Luke. It has been one of the most exciting things for us to see them growing in grace and to see the work that GOD is doing in their lives!

Haiti has lifted the restrictions for churches and gatherings so we are looking forward to starting Bible Studies again on Wednesday. *Please keep these times of study and sharing the Gospel in your prayers!* We yearn to see more lives transformed by the work of the Holy Spirit and for individuals to be set free from their sin. So much of the suffering that surrounds us here and fills the world, results from living for oneself in rebellion against the Lord. He is so merciful and kind to turn our hearts away from ourselves and toward Him, and in that to give us peace!

Thank you for praying. Thank you for participating in the work of the Gospel in Grand Fond, Haiti! With love, The Rudolphs