

Dorcé Family

Wilckly, Dee, Ashley, Kelsey, Josiah
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“From of old no one has heard or perceived by the ear, no eye has seen a God besides you, who acts for those who wait for him.”

Isaiah 64:4



Dearest Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

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We have said before, and we will not stop repeating it, that nothing in Haiti is a quick-fix. And those who are called to ministry in Haiti have to be willing and ready to be in it for the long-haul. Often that means dealing with seasons that appear fruitless, valleys of discouragement, and being misunderstood by many. But in the end, after all the waiting and trusting and hoping, God works something greater than all our imaginings. We have experienced it over and over.

In this season of waiting we are clinging to His past faithfulness, but we are also seeing other seasons of waiting draw to wonderful closes! We are seeing prayers answered and God move among our people in exciting and long-awaited ways.

We are currently in the middle of the third week of Advent (a word that means “coming”). I can’t even imagine waiting as long as the Israelites did for the fulfillment of the promise for a Rescuer. Not only did they wait thousands of years after the original promise...they didn’t even hear from God for 400 years before He finally came! And then when Jesus arrived, so many of them missed it because they’d become so caught up in a religious practice or distracted by their physical oppressors that they couldn’t see Him for who He truly was or why He had truly come.

Waiting is *hard*. But holding onto the hope that something better is coming makes it not only bearable, but *worth it*. Believing...not just *in* God, but believing God...fills us with joy in the waiting by keeping us from losing sight of Who we are waiting on.

May this season remind all of us how waiting can be a blessing, because all of our waiting, as followers of a Savior whose patience with and love for us cannot even be measured, is not fruitless...as God’s children our waiting is with great *anticipation*. Because we *know* He is Who He says He is. We *know* He can do what He says He can do. And we believe. And we hope. And we trust. And we wait.

*Yours in Christ, Shaina Thiner on behalf of
Wilckly and Dee Dorcé*

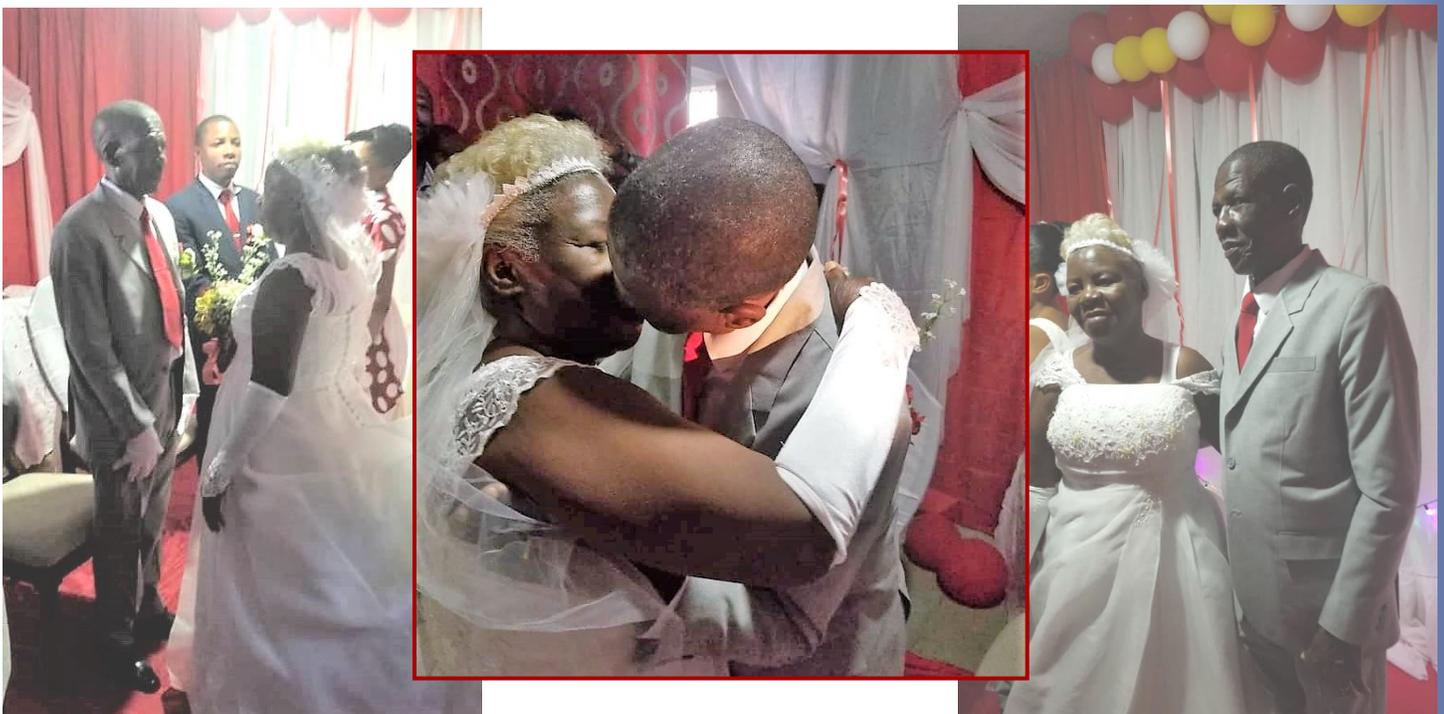
Beautiful in its time...

If you have visited us in Haiti you have most likely seen Diedonne (di-doh-neh), that is, if you were up early enough to catch him meeting with Wilckly before he was off to work. Diedonne has been the foreman of our construction crews, working with Wilckly for the past *40 years*. During that time the Dorcés have developed a deep relationship with him and his family, and they have been praying that he would also find a relationship with Jesus...for *40 years*.

Diedonne isn't just a mason or a builder. He is a perfectionist. Sometimes laying the foundation of a new building takes longer than such a project ought, not because of lack of materials, but because he wants to be sure every measurement is precise. When the 2010 earthquake hit not one of the buildings he and Wilckly oversaw fell. A few cracked, but not one was compromised to the point of not being usable. Yet Diedonne does not let his desire for order and excellence get in the way of his relationships. He is jovial and encouraging, knowing how to soothe tempers and work through conflict, and just about everyone who works with him enjoys being on his crew.

Diedonne is invaluable to our team, not just in regards to construction, but because of his work ethic, his uplifting spirits, and his loyalty through even the hardest of times. And now we get the blessing of seeing some fruits of *our* labor (in prayer and relationship-building) in him. Diedonne and the mother of his children finally made the decision to get married...but the joys don't end there. Diedonne is getting baptized. He is choosing to make his relationship with Jesus real and public. Our hearts are so full. *40 years*, loved ones. *40 years*.

I don't know if there is anything you have been waiting on or praying for decades-long...but we are here to tell you don't. give. up. "He who promised is faithful." (Hebrews 10:23)



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and a **NEW EMAIL ADDRESS**:

Blessing Hearts Ministries

<https://blessingheartsministries.com/>
shaina@blessingheartsministries.com

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Wilckly and Dee or Shaina are all available to come visit you and give an in-person update on the ministry!

Contact Shaina Thiner at
(309) 255-5393

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