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Reflections

10 Years in Ministry series #3

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As I sit here reflecting on missions ministry, it is such a wide scope. I have been involved in missions specifically for over 30 years—that is nearly half of my lifetime! The first 20 years were spent in various places around the world.

I went into missions thinking how wonderful it would be to go out and help people and try to bless them in some way (now, I know it's arrogant to think I have the *power* to do that). I can't tell you or even begin to explain that, more often than not, I was blessed or lifted up by Christ in some way, and drawn closer to HIM.

I know your interest is in the last ten years—which, for me, actually began eleven years ago. My first trip to Haiti was with a large team of 26 people from several churches in 2013. I never expected I would end up in Haiti, for over a decade!



We are living in a crazy, chaotic time. I want to focus on the love and joy that is not of this world, but that comes from its Creator ~ that which we need to hang on tightly to. The best way for me to do that, is with a few pictures that speak louder than any story I might tell... There has been more love and joy poured out through this mission than I could have ever imagined. I am forever grateful!

Leslie Kotwica, Ministry Associate




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10th Anniversary Mission Experience Celebration Tickets are on sale NOW!

Please let us know if you have any special items for our auction so we can plan for it.

 **IDEA!** Do you own a timeshare you will not be using this year? Or a family cabin that you would not mind us auctioning off for a week-end or more? These make great additions to our auction.



Adopt a child for Christmas in August!!!

Yes, we are starting early. We did this a couple of years ago and it was a huge success! (We collected enough stuff for two years' worth of Christmas presents.)

Many of our kids are getting older and we need to start buying more age-appropriate presents.

Here is how you can help: We have numerous kids, from our orphans to the staff's children living with us at the temporary location.

Adopting one child is all we ask. We can send you a name and age and even ideas. We are looking for two gifts for each child. Please do not spend any more than \$50-\$75 total per child.

Then we will pack them all up and send them in November. If your church would like to adopt this program for its Christmas donations, please let us know. When all the children's names are used this program will be closed.

Tickets are \$50.00 through the end of September (This is our attempt to help those who have to incur travel costs for the banquet.)

Tickets are \$100 each beginning October 1st. If you need a room we have some reserved at:

Embassy Suites by Hilton
Denver International Airport
7001 Yampa Street, Denver 80249

If you need any rides please let us know.

Here is the schedule:

Saturday, November 2nd

10:00 AM - 10th Anniversary Service & Missionary Reunion ~ ALL are welcome!

11:30 AM - Free Luncheon after the service
(Please RSVP)

Peace With Christ Lutheran Church
3290 S Toer Rd, Aurora 80013

5:30 PM - 10th Anniversary Banquet
Featuring our Special Speaker-
Denver Broncos Superbowl winning Head Coach
Gary Kubiak

Denver Zoo

2300 N Steele St, Denver 80205

NOTE: Banquet Tickets do NOT include entrance to visit the Zoo

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