

~ Maciej Litkowiec



BGMC OFFERING TODAY!

MEDITATIONS ON HAITI

I want to express the gratitude and thanksgiving to God that He stirred both my wife's and my heart to heed His call to go to Haiti.

I think the big part of our success was how the whole team prepared themselves spiritually, emotionally and intellectually for what was coming. I sensed from the beginning that we were on the same page as a group. Deanna's leadership was priceless in many ways: from giving updates on vaccinations, packing list, arranging airfare, to other logistics. I especially liked her idea about reading the devotional book called "Before You Go" by Jack Hempfling. It's a 40 day devotional that prepared me in every aspect of going on mission trips - and I think it's a MUST for anybody who wants to be a part of life changing experience such as MISSIONS.

My expectations about Haiti were different from what I created in my "head". It all got verified when God revealed His amazing plan for the nation of Haiti. I could talk about many details of this trip, but I'm going to give you the biggest take-a-ways that changed my perspective on life. A lot of it is in the book of James.

1. You don't have to have a lot to be happy - our nation lacks that principle.
2. I saw the perseverance in hardship and other trials in its purest form - I'm in awe of Haitians!
3. We are cluttered by STUFF and we lose the sight of God.
4. During my last day, reflection day, the Lord put on my heart "PATIENCE, LONG-SUFFERING and FORBEARANCE" - with all honesty, working on these won't be that easy. God bless!

ENGAGE NICARAGUA - FALL, 2015

For the last 6 months we have been working hard to get the security wall up at the property that will soon be a place of refuge for children and a missions' leadership training center. That day has finally come where we are momentarily done building the wall. Now we can safely begin construction.

We just walked out of the Mayor's office with our building permits in hand to start construction out at the camp. God's favor has been undeniable to all those closely involved with this project. May God receive all the Glory as we have only seen a glimpse of the miracle yet to happen!

Couldn't be more excited about the last camp of the season. Love, love, love the kids from the rivas dump. July 20th we went to pick up the kids and about 10 of the 6 to 9 year olds were already working and their parents wouldn't let them come. If they didn't work the family wouldn't have enough money to feed their younger siblings for the day. We offered to pay the wages that the kids would have earned for the day so that they could come to camp. 5 córdobas is what each child would have earned which is equivalent to 19 cents in US \$. Others weren't going to be able to join us because they had to go in the streets and sell tomatoes so their family could eat. So, we bought the tomatoes and the kids loaded the bus. God is so faithful!

~ Ken & Kendra Doult

