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## MARCH 2021 UPDATE

Hello Friends and Family,



Last year at this time, we were in a season of canceling athletic events, award ceremonies, and our annual Spring musical production at the *Village Christian Academy*. Thanks to reducing numbers of the Covid-19 virus and eased restrictions, this Spring is populated with more of these events (although they do look and feel different from the past). For our student's production of "The Lion King Junior," audience members were grouped by families and provided with assigned distanced seating after going through a wellness check. The performers on stage sang and performed their lines through plexiglass masks. Yet, **the performance was delightful**. The costumes were stunning.

And a message was shared that reminded us all **to look to the Author of life!**

As I alluded to in last month's update, this month is filled **with virtual ministry opportunities worldwide**. For the *International Educational Leadership Conference*, over 250 European Christian school leaders participated from over 40 countries. The workshop I lead focused on using data to inform leadership development, which is critical to school improvement. On that same weekend, I also had the opportunity of facilitating a leadership retreat made up of board members and administrators from *Quisqueya Christian School (QCS)* in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. QCS is going through a time of reorganization and strategic reflection and planning as they have dealt with numerous challenges to continue operations (i.e., strikes, country instability, the pandemic), and the work we engaged in over the weekend we pray resulted in identify vital next steps to ensure their ministry and influence continues.



This past week, I was also given the opportunity to provide a workshop on the importance of trusted leadership for schools to succeed and participated in a panel discussion of the critical nature of "values" education. This virtual conference was not targeted at Christian schools, and participants from a wide range of private school settings participated. **Over 900 school principals, administrators, and counselors took part**. What was unique for me is that this is the first education summit based in the country of India that I have had the opportunity to participate. And for those of you who have walked through life and ministry for years, you know that India holds a very special place in my heart. In the 1990s and early 2000s, annual ministry trips to India were a highlight of the ministry. It was great to have the opportunity

again, even if virtual! **Praying that more doors such as this will open in the months ahead.**

Finally, a quick update on Emma. Here she and Tannia are all "dolloed up" for "Twins Day." Emma is doing very well as she enters into the final quarter of her 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade year. She is smart, witty, and blossoming into a beautiful and kind young lady. Mom and Dad are proud!

Thank you for your ongoing prayers, support, and friendship. Happy Easter!



- Toby (for Tannia and Emma too!)





Enclosed is my gift of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ designated for the ministry of *Toby & Tannia Travis #20245*.

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